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29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, C 19th October 2025

MASS TIMES AT ST. EDWARD'S, KETTERING

- Tuesday and Wednesday - 10.00 am
- Thursday and Friday - 7.00 pm (*Thursday evening Mass is with music on screen*)
- Saturday Vigil Mass - 6.30 pm (*After Mass - confession on request*)
- **Sunday Early Mass - 8.30 am / Sunday Family Mass - 10.30 am**

MASS TIMES AT BURTON LATIMER

The **1st** and **3rd** Sunday of every month - **9.00 am**

MASS TIMES AT DESBOROUGH

The **2nd** and **4th** Sunday of every month - **9.00 am**

MASS TIMES AT ROTHWELL

The **1st** and **3rd** Sunday of every month - **12.15 pm**

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For the 5th Sunday of the month - Masses only at St Edward's.

Will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them?



I tell you; he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?

Saturday **06.30 pm** - Sister Renata Ziaja birthday int. /
 - Mr and Mrs John and Nora Connolly RIP

Sunday **08.30 am** - Martina Chako RIP / - John Patrick Gallagher RIP 62nd anniv.
 09.00 am - / **Burton Latimer** / - Armindo Da Costa Sarmento RIP
 10.30 am - Sophie Menezes int. /
 - For God's intervention on Mazi Nnamdi Kanu
 12.15 pm - / **Rothwell** / - For the Parish

Monday / Private Mass / - For the Parish

Tuesday **09.30 am** - *Exposition and Adoration*
 10.00 am - Lattanzi family RIP

Wednesday **10.00 am** - All married couples and families in the Diocese

Thursday **07.00 pm** - For the Holy Souls

Friday **06.30 pm** - *Adoration and Benediction*
 07.00 pm - Mary McGinty RIP / - Mikaela Diego 18th birthday int.

Saturday **06.30 pm** - For the Parish

Sunday **08.30 am** - Lynn Dicks RIP
 09.00 am - / **Desborough** / - For the Holy Souls
 10.30 am - Hector Lamis RIP and all the Souls in Purgatory

To respect people's wishes, there has usually been only one Mass Intention per Mass (This Intention might encompass even several people, but it will have been requested by one individual). There are occasional instances though, when there need to be two separate Intentions at a Mass. When this arises, I would be grateful for your understanding.

If you have a Red Box at home, please could you return it, so your donation can also be sent to MISSIO.

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CONFESSIONS AT ST EDWARD'S



Confessions at St Edward's are on Saturdays after the Vigil Mass which is at 6.30 pm.

You can always request confession before or after any weekday Mass.

“The first step we must take to build the Kingdom of God on earth is to rediscover and appreciate the importance of the sacrament of confession, which will allow us to appreciate the sacrament of the Eucharist. *We cannot appreciate the Eucharist while removing the sacrament of Confession from our spiritual life*”.

- Fr Gregory



PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED



In our prayers, let us remember our deceased parishioners, family members and friends. Let us especially remember those who have recently passed away.

- + **Rose Gallagher** - Her Funeral service will be held at **St Edward's church** on Wednesday, **22nd October** at **11.30 am**.
- + **Benito Caruso** - His Funeral service will be held at **the Crematorium** on Wednesday, **22nd October** at **1.30 pm**.
- + **Margaret Brookbanks** - Her Requiem Mass will be held at **St Nicholas Owen church, Burton Latimer** on Friday, **24th October** at **10.30 am**.
- + **Lynne Dicks** - died peacefully on Wednesday, **15th October**.

Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY 2025



This **Sunday, 19 October**, the Holy Father invites us to join the global Missio family in supporting *World Mission Sunday*, the Church's annual worldwide celebration of mission.

On this special day, **Pope Leo XIV** asks people in every Catholic parish around the world to support Missio - his charity for world mission. We stand united in prayer and solidarity with our sisters and brothers in need, as together we strive to make God's love more visible in the world.

In this Jubilee Year, Pope Leo reminds us that we are called to be "*Missionaries of Hope Among All Peoples*" - witnesses of Christ's love and resurrection in our parishes and communities, and in solidarity with those in greatest need.

Read Pope Leo's message for the day here:

<https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/messages/mission/documents/20251013-giornata-missionaria.html>



OUR SECOND COLLECTION FOR CAFOD - THANK YOU



Thanks for your generosity, we raised **£ 960-88** for CAFOD

HARVEST FESTIVAL 2025



Let us thank God for providing us with His gifts - or as we say before the Eucharistic Prayer - 'the fruits of the earth and work of human hands'. Once again, we will be having Harvest Sunday during the Masses of **18th/19th October** (Including **Burton Latimer** and **Rothwell**). I encourage you to bring a small offering of fresh fruit and vegetables, which will be blessed. After Mass we will transfer everything to the parish hall for the members of the Soup Kitchen. I thank you for your generosity in advance.



ANNUAL MASS ATTENDANCE IN ST EDWARD'S PARISH



20th/21st September

- > **Saturday Vigil** at 6.30 pm - **109**
- >> **Sunday** at 8.30 am - **196**
- >> **Sunday** at 10.30 am - **329**
- < **Burton Latimer** at 9 am - **41**
- < **Rothwell** at 12.15 pm - **34**

Total Mass attendance on the 3rd weekend of **September** - **709**

28th/29th September

- > **Saturday Vigil** at 6.30 pm - **122**
- >> **Sunday** at 8.30 am - **215**
- >> **Sunday** at 10.30 am - **370**
- < **Desborough** at 9 am - **51**

Total Mass attendance on the 4th weekend of **September** - **758**

4th/5th October

- > **Saturday Vigil** at 6.30 pm - **115**
- >> **Sunday** at 8.30 am - **209**
- >> **Sunday** at 10.30 am - **389**
- < **Burton Latimer** at 9 am - **72**
- < **Rothwell** at 12.15 pm - **41**

Total Mass attendance on the 1st weekend of **October** - **826**

11th/12th October

- > **Saturday Vigil** at 6.30 pm - **125**
- >> **Sunday** at 8.30 am - **216**
- >> **Sunday** at 10.30 am - **334**
- < **Desborough** at 9 am - **41**

Total Mass attendance on the 2nd weekend of **October** - **716**

AVERAGE MASS ATTENDANCE IN OUR PARISH - 752

A big thank you to **Rachel** who coordinated the counting at St Edward's, and all the welcomers across the parish who took part in this statistical endeavour.

BLESSED FATHER JERZY POPIEŁUSZKO - 19th OCTOBER



Father Jerzy Popiełuszko was a Polish priest who became a symbol of the struggle for freedom, human dignity and truth. His unwavering stance, courage and deep faith made him a hero in the fight against the communist regime, and his tragic death shocked Poland and the entire Catholic world.

Jerzy Popiełuszko was born on 14th September 1947, in the small village, into a devout family. His priestly vocation was marked by a desire to serve God and people. After his ordination in 1972, he was assigned to pastoral work in Warsaw. His pivotal moment came in 1980, when he began celebrating “Masses for the Homeland” at St. Stanislaus Kostka parish in Żoliborz, district of Warsaw. These Masses became a symbol of spiritual resistance against the communist regime, attracting thousands of people seeking hope and consolation.

His homilies were filled with courage and truth. Father Popiełuszko spoke boldly about the injustices and suffering endured by Poles during martial law. He became the chaplain of Solidarity, the first independent labour movement in a Soviet bloc country, and a defender of the persecuted, and his spiritual activity had a tremendous impact on the resistance movement against communist rule.

On **19th October 1984**, Father Jerzy Popiełuszko was kidnapped and brutally murdered by agents of the Security Service. His death was an attempt to silence the voice of truth, but instead, it galvanized the nation and strengthened the resolve to fight for freedom. The priest’s funeral drew crowds of believers, and his grave in Żoliborz became a pilgrimage site. In 2010, Blessed Jerzy was beatified by Pope Benedict XVI, confirming his martyrdom in defence of faith and Christian values.

POPPIES



Since the children of the parish have shown how artistic they are with our beautiful rosaries, the Flower Group have asked for their help. If anyone would like to make a poppy and hand it to Father Gregory by the end of October, the Flower Group will gather them all and make a display ready for Remembrance Sunday, which this year falls on 9th November. Thank you, children for honouring our heroes.

A CHALLENGE FOR THE CHILDREN OF THE PARISH



Have you ever looked closely how a rosary looks? Perhaps your parents and grandparents have and pray rosaries. Maybe you have a rosary of your own. **Would you be able to make one yourself?** I am challenging the children of the parish to try to make a rosary, and I will display any brought to me in the church. You can use anything to make a rosary. You can use: buttons, pasta, chestnuts, acorns, beads, pearls, sweets, small balls and string. You can make the cross out of two small wooden sticks. Please bring your rosaries any time before the last weekend of October, that is before **25th/26th October**.

OCTOBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY



We are approaching October. During this month, traditionally dedicated to the Holy Rosary, **Pope Leo XIV** has called on Catholics around the world to pray the Rosary daily, uniting in prayer for peace in war-torn regions. We will pray the Rosary in our church on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Rosary at Rothwell (St Bernadette's Church) is every **Thursday at 11 am**.



WELCOMERS ARE WELCOME!



We all appreciate our welcomers when we come to Mass. Their presence and smile create a warm and friendly atmosphere. But every now and then we do need to recruit new volunteers to the team. The role is not difficult but rather pleasant, therefore if you come regularly to a particular Mass, I would like you to think about offering your time to become a 'Welcomer' at least for a while. There is no training or bureaucracy involved and it isn't time consuming at all. Welcomers play a vital role in the smooth running of the church. They help assist the elderly to their seats, distribute hymn books, tidy them after Mass, and generally offer any help that is needed with a friendly smile. The more volunteers we have, the bigger the rota and no one would feel the obligation of volunteering too often. Instead, you would gain the satisfaction of helping, getting to know others and receiving many a smile in return. Don't wait for somebody else to volunteer. Get involved in the parish yourself because often it is the small things that make the biggest difference. Please contact the parish office if you would like to join the team.

THE PARISH HALL - A WORK IN PROGRESS



There was talk of renovating the Hall many years ago. Finally, the bulk of the work has been completed. The walls have been painted with panelling added to protect them from wear and tear, the floor has been stripped and re-varnished. New chairs were purchased, and we mean to buy appropriate tables. The cost of this work (including materials and labour) was as follows:

Painting and decorating - £ 4800

Panelling - £ 3100

Chairs - £ 2184

May the Hall continue to serve us and future generations of parishioners of St Edward's. Thank you for your care for this special place, for your generosity and continuing support.



ALL OUR DIVERSE PARISH INVOLVED IN CLEANING GOD'S HOUSE



I am delighted that different parish communities agreed to be part of a cleaning rota.

- before the 1st weekend of **each month** - the **Filipino Community**
- before the 2nd weekend of **each month** - the **Indian Community**
- before the 3rd weekend of **each month** - the **Polish Community**
- before the 4th weekend of **each month** - the **Nigerian Community**

Our regular cleaning volunteers who have always been very reliable and great to work with, keep on top of everything, so that the church always looks immaculate. If there are any other parish communities who would like to become involved with cleaning the church, please let me know. Many hands make light work!



REGISTRATIONS FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION FOR CHILDREN FROM NON-CATHOLIC SCHOOLS



>>> Registration for **First Holy Communion** takes place after Christmas on Saturday, **10th January 2026**. For more information, please keep an eye on the parish newsletter at the beginning of December. *Children must be in year 3 or older.*

>>> Registration for **Confirmation** takes place **before Easter**. For more information, please keep an eye on the parish newsletter at the beginning of March.

If you have any questions regarding preparation for these two sacraments, please call the parish office on a Monday between 10.30 am and 12.30 pm and speak to Mrs Everington.

ALL SAINTS DAY 2025



This year, **All Saints Day** (*Holy Day of Obligation*) will be celebrated on **Sunday, 2nd November**.

Masses in our parish will be as usual on the first Sunday of the month.



ALL SOULS DAY 2025



All Souls Day falls on **Monday, 3rd November**

Masses at St Edward's will be at:

10 am and **7 pm** (*Bereavement Mass*).

Mass at **Desborough** will be at **5 pm**.

During these Masses we will pray especially for those parishioners, who passed away in the last year. I would like to invite those who lost their loved ones since last November (2024). We could put photographs or even Orders of Service of those who died, on the steps of the Sanctuary as we did last year.



HOLY SOULS ENVELOPES



In the Sanctuary you can find a basket with envelopes in which you can put a card with the names of the deceased. You can also use ordinary envelopes for this. Please return your envelopes to the Church (put it in the collection basket) or to the Parish office (put it through the letter box). Your donation can be placed in the envelope. Mass for Holy Souls will be offered for them during the month of November and the year ahead.



BEREAVEMENT MASS ON ALL SOULS DAY



Because it would by date fall on a Sunday, this year All Souls' Day is moved to Monday November 3rd, and we are celebrating this Mass fittingly as one of our Bereavement Masses. All Souls Day gives us the opportunity to focus on and pray for the Holy Souls in purgatory as we embark on a special month of remembrance and prayer for them. I invite parishioners to bring and place on the sanctuary steps a funeral programme or other photo of their deceased person but **additionally** it is planned to cycle through photos on the screen of those parishioners who have died. You can send one photo by email (as soon as possible please) to laptop11@talktalk.net and if there are sufficient photos, we can make a sequence on screen to help us remember and pray before Mass starts. Please include the name of the deceased on your email.

St Edward's Catholic Primary School



RECEPTION 2026 SCHOOL TOUR

If your child turns 4 before 31st August 2026; you are warmly invited to come and have a look around our school.



'We're like a family.'

St Thomas More Catholic Primary School



If your child turns 4 before 31st August 2026; you are warmly invited to come and have a look around our school.

Reception 2026 School Tours

Wed 24th September: from 9.15am to 12pm

Sat 18th October: from 10am to 2.30pm

Wednesday 22nd October: from 9.15am to 12pm

Saturday 15th November: from 10am to 2.30pm

Wednesday 26th November: from 9.15am to 12pm

**To book a slot, please contact our Office -
Phone: 01536 512112**

A NEW ROSARY GROUP IN OUR PARISH



At present we pray

~ 210 ~

Hail Marys every day!

Do you know that the Rosary is an incredibly powerful prayer? Do you have an important intention you'd like to pray for? It could be for your children, parents, for the sick, or for the deceased members of your family. It could be for the Pope, the Bishop, priests, for new vocations, for the sanctity of life. Or perhaps for our parish community, or for world peace? There may be many intentions for which you can pray.

Would you like to be part of a prayer group, but on the other hand you are hesitant and have many doubts, because you realise how busy you are with your family, study, work and so on? Do you know that as a parish, we can pray the entire Rosary every day? Do you know that it is possible, even though the Rosary consists of four mysteries, and each mystery consists of five decades. Yes, as a parish we can pray every day all 4 Mysteries, that is 20 Decades of the Holy Rosary **(200 Hail Marys every day!)**

Do you know that we can do this without leaving home, coming to church every day, or meeting with fellow parishioners every day or even every week? Would you like to help me start this prayer initiative in our parish? Would you be willing to commit to praying only one Decade of the Rosary every day. You can do this wherever you want, and wherever is convenient for you. It can be done at school or at work. It can be done on your way to work, shopping, or even on holiday. It can be done in the morning, at midday, in the afternoon, evening or at night.

If you attend one of the following Masses:

+ Saturday at 6:30 pm -

We have our two groups of five: **Beverley, Pearl, Bineetha, Danny, Shane,** And **Carol, Betty, Claire, Daisy, Katharine**

who share between them the 5 decades of the **Joyful Mysteries**. On the first Saturday of each month after the 6.30 pm Mass they will meet in Our Lady's chapel to say one decade of the Rosary together and exchange their cards.

If you would like to be part of the next group of five parishioners, please come forward.

++ or Sunday at 8:30 am -

So far, we have: *Maria, Rebecca, Lily* but we need **two more** parishioners

We need at least 5 parishioners to share between us the 5 decades of the **Sorrowful Mysteries**. On the first Sunday of each month after the 8.30 am Mass we will meet in Our Lady's chapel to say one decade of the Rosary together and exchange our cards.

+++ or Sunday at 10:30 am -

So far, we have: *Rakiya, Gareth, Debbie* but we need **two more** parishioners to make a group of five and share between us the 5 decades of the **Glorious Mysteries**. On the first Sunday of each month after the 10.30 pm Mass we will meet in Our Lady's chapel to say one decade of the Rosary together and exchange our cards.

++++ or Wednesday at 10 am -

We have our first group of five: *Chris, Sue, Diane, Moira, Augustina* who share between them the 5 decades of the **Mysteries of Light**. On the first Wednesday of each month after the 10 am Mass they will meet in Our Lady's chapel to say one decade of the Rosary together and exchange their cards.

If you would like to be part of the next group of five parishioners, please come forward.

I encourage you to establish rosary groups among our communities in Burton Latimer, Desborough and Rothwell.

>>> If you're interested in joining, please let Fr Gregory know <<<



What can I find on the card? On one side of the card is the title of the Mystery of the Rosary, a relevant image, and a short reflection. On the back you can find the following:

I undertake to recite the following prayers every day:

+++ Sign of the Cross +++

+ 1 Our Father + 10 times Hail Mary, *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

MEMORARE

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

ST EDWARD'S CHURCH IS OPEN EVERY WEDNESDAY



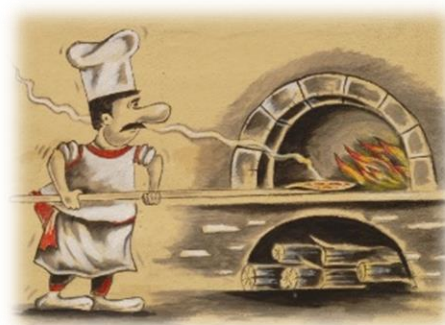
The church remains open on each **Wednesday** after Mass until **12 noon**.
Please take this opportunity to spend some time with the Lord

COFFEE MORNINGS



The next **Wednesday Coffee Morning** in the parish hall, will be run by the
Flower Arrangers and **Readers** after 10.00 am Mass on **5th November**.

YOUTH GROUP



If your son or daughter is between 'Year 6' - 17 years old, and if you would like him or her to take part in our youth group activities, please email the parish office and request a registration form. The next meeting will be on: **Friday, 7th November at 6.30 pm.**

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION



If anyone wants their child to be Baptised, they will need to attend Mass every weekend for at least two months before attending a meeting. Please contact the office for further details. Our next Baptismal Preparation will be on **Monday, 3rd November** at **7.00 pm** in the Parish Hall (due to the Holy Souls Mass). You do not need to book in advance to attend the meeting. You can just turn up.

REGISTRATION AT ST EDWARD'S PARISH



Please complete the registration form by clicking on this QR code above, or by typing the link into your browser www.caspar.church/me?ID=56026

ST EDWARD'S PARISH FACEBOOK GROUP



St. Edward - Kettering

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2762598427183322/>

St. Nicholas Owen - Burton Latimer

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/809856073037388/>

BEREAVEMENT MASSES



They are not the ones who are dead, we are the ones who die, they are the ones who live eternal life.

We all know that bereavement might be a painful and emotional time for those who lost their loved ones. Perhaps you yourself are experiencing this or somebody you know is. Please consider joining us. Pain and sadness caused by death is not as difficult if you can share it with others who are in a similar situation.

From our Christian point of view, faith in God gives us a great comfort. However, no matter how strong your faith is, whether you are Christian or not, whether you believe in God or not, you are very welcome to come and join our group, listen to others or share your own experience. Each Mass will be followed by refreshments and friendly conversation in the Parish Hall. If you would like to, you can bring with you a funeral booklet or a photo of your loved one and display it in front of the altar. These are the dates for our Masses:

Monday, 3rd of November (*All Souls Day*) at 7 pm

Thursday, 4th of December at 7 pm

DIOCESAN NEWS



THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE
OF NORTHAMPTON

Marriage Preparation Weekend Course

9 - 11 January 2026

The CHC's weekend marriage preparation course is intended for couples who wish to engage more deeply with the Catholic vision for marriage.

Structured around the elements of the marriage rite, couples will reflect deeply on foundational Scriptural texts to gain a better understanding of both the natural and sacramental aspects of Matrimony.

The weekend includes prayer, time for personal and shared reflection, group discussion, and a social gathering. It can be attended as a stand-alone experience or in support of an online or in-person course.

Details and registration:

<https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/marriage-preparation>

Be Still and Know That I Am God

14 - 17 November 2025

A three-day retreat led by Fr Roger Dawson, SJ, helping participants find greater attentiveness to God's presence in their lives through a disciplining of the mind and awareness of the present moment. More information:

<https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/be-still-and-know-that-i-am-god>

Ignatian Spiritual Exercises: Men's Retreat

4 - 11 February 2026

A fantastic opportunity to experience St Ignatius' Spiritual Exercises in a five-day, shortened form.

The retreat will be guided by the monastic community of St Joseph's Abbey, Flavigny (France), founded with the specific charism of offering this version of the Exercises and with a particular apostolate to men.

The retreat is open to men in all states of life who wish to seek God's will through a deepened detachment from the world. Find out more:

<https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/mens-retreat-spiritual-exercises-of-st-ignatius>

Saint John Henry Newman: Doctor of the Church

On Saturday, 1 November, Pope Leo XIV will officially proclaim Saint John Henry Newman - the most recently canonised saint from England and Wales - as the 38th Doctor of the Church.

To mark this historic moment, the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has released a series of insightful teaching articles exploring Newman's enduring legacy. Topics include:

- What is a Doctor of the Church?
- Faith, Reason, Conscience and Truth
- Development of Doctrine
- *Sensus fidelium*: Newman and the People of God
- Education: Moral and Intellectual "Under One Roof"
- Scripture, the Fathers and Ecumenism
- Newman and Ecclesiology

These resources, principally authored by Prof. Eamon Duffy with contributions from Fr George Bowen C.O., Br Zachariah Heritage C.O., and Dr Chris Cimorelli of the National Institute of Newman Studies, offer a rich opportunity to rediscover Newman's wisdom for the life of the Church today.

Read more here:

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/newman-doctor-of-the-church/>

OUR 2nd CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF ST CECILIA AT ST EDWARD'S



'He who sings, prays twice' St Augustine

Once again, I would like to invite all our communities, our catholic schools, choirs, music groups, duets, soloists to take part in our celebration on

Friday, 21st November at 6.30 pm.

I would like to remind all who came last year what a celebration it was, what an uplifting experience! It was not a competition. That's what we want for this year too - for everybody to enjoy an evening of Christian music. Any music group or duet or soloist interested in taking part in our project, please inform Fr. Gregory as soon as possible.

At present we have:

- *Union of Catholic Mothers*
- *Parish Choir*
- *Music Group*
- *St Edward's Primary School*
- *St Thomas More Primary School*
- *The Nigerian Community*
- *The Polish Community TBC*
- *The Indian Community*
- *Kirsty, Theresa and Nigel*

Like last year, the children from our schools will sing first, then the order of performances will be by random draw and the music groups will be informed in what order they will be singing a week beforehand.

Programme: Each group will be given approximately 10 minutes to introduce itself and sing several hymns. The number of hymns will depend of how many choirs want to take part in this celebration of church music. Refreshments and hot chocolate in the Parish Hall will be hosted by the members of our parish groups.

WEEKLY/MONTHLY DONATIONS AND LOOSE COLLECTIONS



MONTHLY / WEEKLY DONATIONS. If there are any New or Existing Parishioners who would like to give to the Parish on a regular basis, then we would be delighted to hear from you. There is a Giving Enquiry Form available for you to complete which is situated on the Notice Board at the Entrance of St Edward's Church. The completed Enquiry Form can be folded and put in the Offertory Collection Bag when attending Mass or placed in an envelope, addressed "Giving Enquiry" and posted through the Presbytery Letter Box at 2, The Grove, Kettering. Alternatively, we can email a copy of this enquiry form on request. Upon receipt of the form, we will contact you to arrange completion of any further necessary paperwork.

Suggested Methods of Regular Giving:

Regular Standing Order via your Bank - this is the preferred way which saves paper and therefore is kinder to the environment. We receive advices of Parishioners payments from the Diocese and we are then able to make sure your donation reaches our Parish.

Giving through Weekly Dated Envelopes which are issued in boxes for use throughout the year.

Donations by Card is a new way of giving, and you will find the Dona Station next to the statue of the Sacred Heart.

Gift Aid, please may we encourage you to consider Gift Aiding your regular donations, providing that you are a UK Tax payer, this means that your giving is increased for the benefit of the Parish. You may indicate your interest on the giving enquiry form.

You can also support the Parish by **making a donation through the letterbox** of the Presbytery.

Please be assured that all information provided is treated in a strict and confidential matter at all times.

We are appealing to our Parishioners who so generously give to our Parish through loose cash Collections taken at Mass. We are asking these Parishioners who may pay Income Tax to consider Gift Aiding their loose cash donations. This would greatly increase church funds which would benefit our Parish. If you can give this some thought and would like more details, then please let the church office know either by email or by letter providing your contact details. All enquiries will be dealt with in a strict and confidential manner. This is a suggestion made by the Diocesan appointed Auditors on their recent visit to the Parish.

Thank you for any help you can give.

COFFEE MORNINGS 2025



These will be hosted in the Parish Hall after 10 am Mass on the following Wednesdays by our parish groups and communities.

Everyone is welcome!

5th November - Flower Arrangers and Readers <<<

3rd December - Church Cleaners and Children's Liturgy

ST EDWARD'S PARISH, KETTERING

YOUTH GROUP 2025



If your son or daughter is between 'Year 6' - 17 years old, and if you would like him or her to take part in our youth group activities, please email the parish office and request a registration form.

Our meetings will be held in the parish hall on the following **Fridays:**

7th November, 5th December



Jubilee Year Indulgence



A plenary indulgence is a grace granted by the Church which cleanses our soul and helps us to grow closer to God. When we sin, we not only damage our relationship with God, we create a need for healing and repair in our souls and in the world. Through Reconciliation God forgives our sins, but the effects of our sins may still need to be addressed. Indulgences are a beautiful practice combining prayer, good works and spiritual renewal, to help repair that damage. Indulgences can also be applied to souls in purgatory.

HOW CAN I OBTAIN AN INDULGENCE?

Making A Pilgrimage

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| 1. To Rome | ➡ | ● The four papal Basilicas |
| 2. Elsewhere in the world | ➡ | ● Jubilee Shrines in Italy and the Holy Land |
| 3. Within our diocese | ➡ | ● Holy Child and St Joseph, Bedford |
| | | ● St Peter, Marlow |
| | | ● Northampton Cathedral |

PERFORMING ACTS OF MERCY, FORMATION AND PENANCE

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| 4. Extraordinary works of mercy | ➡ | ● Visiting prisoners the sick or lonely,
● Helping those in need
● Giving generous gift of your time or money |
| 5. Diocesan or Parish formation | ➡ | ● Participating in spiritual exercises
● Formation activities on the documents of the Second Vatican Council or Catechism |
| 6. Fasting from futile distractions | ➡ | ● Abstaining for at least one day per week from social media, video games, apps or television |

WHAT IF I CAN'T DO THOSE THINGS DUE TO SICKNESS OR OTHER SERIOUS REASON?

United in spirit with the faithful taking part in person, one may recite the Our Father, Apostles Creed and Jubilee Prayer, offering their sufferings or hardships of their lives.

What must I do?

Be detached
from all sin

Make a
Sacramental
Confession

Receive
Holy
Communion

Pray for the
Pope's
Intentions

Notes: Normally, only one plenary indulgence can be obtained per day. However, the faithful who have carried out an act of charity on behalf of the souls in purgatory, if they receive holy Communion a second time that day, can obtain the plenary indulgence twice on the same day (applicable only to the deceased.)

A single sacramental confession is sufficient for several plenary indulgences, but frequent sacramental confession is encouraged in order to obtain the grace of deeper conversion and purity of heart. For each plenary indulgence that is sought, however, a separate holy Communion and a separate prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father are required.



Our Jubilee Churches



The following churches have been designated Jubilee Churches by Bishop David Oakley within the Diocese of Northampton. A central focus of the Jubilee Year is the forgiveness of sins, especially through the granting of indulgences. As pilgrims of hope we are encouraged to make a pilgrimage to one of these churches, or another designated church outside our diocese, to obtain the graces of an indulgence. Pastoral areas, parishes and individuals are welcome to journey to any of these jubilee sites.

THE CATHEDRAL OF OUR LADY IMMACULATE AND ST THOMAS



1 Primrose Hill,
Northampton,
NN2 6AG
Parish Priest: Fr Simon Penhalagan
email: parish.cathedralhub@northamptondiocese.org
Tel: 01604 714556

Confessions: Saturday 10–11am and Friday 1–2pm

Pilgrims Mass: Friday at midday

First Saturday Devotions: Every First Saturday at 9.30am

THE HOLY CHILD AND ST JOSEPH

2 Bremerton Road,
Bedford,
MK40 1HU

Parish Priest: Canon Seamus Keenan
email: parish.stjosephbedford@northamptondiocese.org
Tel: 01234 352569

Confessions: Saturday 11.30–12.30pm

Weekday Mass: Mon–Fri, 10.45am

The Rosary: Each weekday at 10.20am (before Mass)

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament: Every Thursday
11.30am–7pm and every Saturday, 11.30am–12.30pm



ST PETER



7 St Peter Street
Marlow
Buckinghamshire
SL7 1NQ

Parish Priest: Canon John Udris
email: parish.stpetermarlow@northamptondiocese.org
Tel: 01628 483696

Monthly Jubilee Mass: First Friday of the Month at 7pm

Holy Hour: First Friday of the month at 6pm

Pilgrimages can be arranged by contacting the parish throughout the year. Groups are welcome to bring their own priest or use the priests from the parish. A jubilee talk can also be requested.

Skills

Talents

Interests



Welcome!

Perhaps you are new to the parish, or have been coming to Mass each week for years, but not sure how to go about getting involved?

Our parish has many groups. All of them would welcome new members.

We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us.....
If it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully. *13. Romans 12:6a, 8*

Do you have a skill, talent or interest that with the right support and encouragement, you would feel able and willing to share with others in time.

Your voice matters

We are blessed with such a rich, diverse and vibrant catholic community in Kettering, that we want to ensure everyone feels they belong to St. Edwards, and a valued parishioner.

We would love to hear your ideas

If you are interested in getting involved in anything in the parish, please speak to Fr Gregory after mass, or contact him via email or telephone. He will do his best to point you in the right direction. **Telephone:** 01536 512497

Email: parish.stedwardkettering@northamptondiocese.org

Be part of our rich, diverse and vibrant catholic community