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Palm Sunday 'A'

29th March 2026

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.

Blessed is the King
who comes in the name of the Lord!



Peace in heaven
and glory in the highest!

THIS WEEK'S INTENTIONS



To see the readings for today's Mass, [please follow this link.](#)

To pray with Pope Leo, [please follow this link.](#)

Saturday **06.30 pm** - Aubrey and Elizabeth Mackenzie-Smith RIP,
Mary Petterson RIP

>>> **07.30 pm** - **LENTEN CONFESSION** <<< >>> (*one priest*)

Palm Sunday **08.30 am** - Carol Ridgway P. I. / - Luke Robinson RIP 37th anniv.
09.00 am - / **Burton Latimer** / - For the Parish
10.30 am - Rev Patrick Bailey RIP 4th anniv.
12.15 pm - / **Rothwell** / - For the Parish

Monday / **Private Mass** / - Launora Kaupiete

Tuesday **10.00 am** - Irena Nalepa RIP / - Richard Ablett RIP

Wednesday **10.00 am** - >>>>> **NO MASS** <<<<< >>>>> <<<<< >>>>>
12.00 noon - **Chrism Mass at the CATHEDRAL**

Maundy Thursday **07.00 pm** - Sister Joan birthday int.

Good Friday **03.00 pm** - **Liturgy of the Lord's Passion**
07.00 pm - **Stations of the Cross** led by Theresa

Saturday **Easter Vigil** **06.30 pm** - >>>>> **NO MASS** <<<<< >>>>> <<<<< >>>>>
08.00 pm - For the Parish

Easter Sunday **08.30 am** - Kitty McCahill thanksgiving int.
09.00 am - / **Desborough** / - For the Parish
10.30 am - Massimo Cerreoni RIP
11.00 am - / **Burton Latimer** / - For the Parish
12.15 pm - / **Rothwell** / - For the Parish

To request a Mass Intention please contact the parish office.

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.

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.



+ **Adam Drozdowski** - His funeral service will be held at **St Edward's church** on **Thursday, 9th April at 1 pm.**

+ **Funmilayo Akanbi** - Her funeral service will be held at the **Crematorium** on **Wednesday, 15th April at 1 pm.**

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

ONE COMMUNITY, ONE BODY, ONE CHURCH AT ST EDWARD'S



The Diocese, after taking some time to reflect on the recommendations presented by the New Wineskins process, endorses the proposals to focus the parish at St Edward's Kettering. There will be a period of transition in which Mass times on Sunday mornings will be adjusted at St Edward's, and Masses will cease at

St Nicholas Owen, St Bernadette's and Holy Trinity Churches:

>>> **Thanksgiving Masses** for the **Burton Latimer Community** at 9 am, and the **Rothwell Community** at 12.15 pm, and their deceased members, will be celebrated on **Sunday, 19th April.**

>>> **Thanksgiving Mass** for the **Desborough Community** and its deceased members will be celebrated at 9 am on **Sunday, 26th April.**

A transition team is being put together at present, and the process to finalise the changes is expected to conclude shortly after that.



A FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE ON PALM SUNDAY 2026



Once again, on **Palm Sunday** we will be raising funds towards flowers and decorations for our church. There will be a basket available at the back for donations for the palm crosses. On behalf of the flower group, Thank you for your donations towards Easter Flowers on this Palm Sunday.

THE TRIDUUM AND EASTER 2026



>>> **Chrism Mass at the Cathedral** - will take place on **Wednesday 1st April** at **midday**. You are very welcome to attend this joyful diocesan celebration with all the clergy from our Diocese.

*Please note that there will be **NO Mass at 10 am** at St Edward's on **Wednesday**.*

>>> **Maundy Thursday - 7.00 pm** - Mass at St Edward's

>>> **Good Friday - 3.00 pm** - Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord

*(Collection on **Good Friday** will be as always for the Holy Land)*

+++ 7.00 pm - Stations of the Cross led by **Theresa**

Holy Saturday - 8.00 pm - Easter Vigil at St Edward's

Please note that there will be **NO Mass at 6.30 pm**.

Please bring with you a candle.

>>> **EASTER SUNDAY, 5th April** <<<



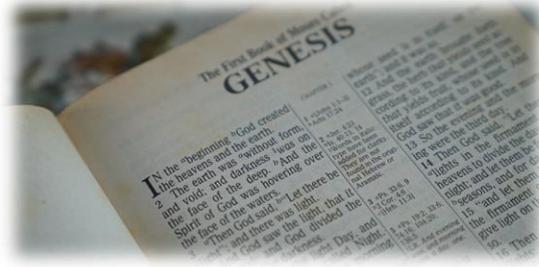
Masses at St Edward's at **8.30 am** and **10.30 am**

Desborough - 9.00 am,

Burton Latimer - 11.00 am,

Rothwell - 12.15 pm.

FOR THE ATTENTION OF OUR READERS



I would be grateful if you could take a look at the notice board at the back of the church where there is a list of readers who will be reading on Palm Sunday and the Triduum. You are very welcome to practise your readings before or after any Mass. Thank you to Sr Aidan who has organised the rota.



MANDATUM ON MAUNDY THURSDAY



As tradition dictates there will be the ceremony of the washing of the feet which is called Mandatum. I like this to be spontaneous, for any parishioner (up to 12) to come forward. I do encourage you though to prayerfully think about doing so beforehand.



FEAST DAY OF ST BERNADETTE ON 16th APRIL



On Thursday 16th April we will be celebrating the feast of **St Bernadette** in **Rothwell**. There will be Adoration from 5.30 pm and then all are welcome to evening Mass at **6 pm**. This will be followed by refreshments.

FREE FRAUD PROTECTION ADVICE IN KETTERING



We have been offered access to free **Fraud Protect Advice** by the police. Richard Kubon, Fraud Protect Development Officer from Leicestershire police will be delivering accessible training on:

Wednesday, 22 April at 6.30pm - 8pm
St Edward's Parish Hall in Kettering.

In order to cater for refreshments (tea/coffee), please register your interest for one of sessions by emailing laura.lester@northamptondiocese.org

GIVING BOX ARRANGEMENTS COMMENCING 12th APRIL 2026



The New Weekly Offering Envelopes in boxes for the new year commencing 12th April 2026 will be available for collection from the entrance of St Edward's Church from Friday afternoon of the 20th March 2026. They are all individually named in alphabetical order together with the parishioner's Box number - please check and let the Church Office know if anything is incorrect. To those who donate through the Gift Aid Scheme, please be reminded that if your tax situation has changed or you have moved house, then please let the Church Office know in writing. If there are any parishioners who would like to join a regular giving method then 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 and there are also more details about giving available on the parish website.

Fr Gregory would like to take this opportunity to thank all parishioners who have so faithfully and generously supported our parish in the past year(s).

SCHOOL MASSES AT ST EDWARD'S



These are the upcoming dates of the school Masses, which some of you would like to attend, while others would rather avoid because they are very busy.

3rd May at 10.30 am - **St Edward's**

7th June at 10.30 am - **St Thomas More**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD



This will place during the 10.30 am Sunday Mass on the following dates:

19th April, 26th April, 17th May

The Children's Liturgy is for children in Year R, [accompanied by their parents] and children in Years 1,2,3. Due to the anxiety felt by some parents, it is suggested that if parents wish, they may accompany the children into the hall and as the children go into the Lower Room for Children's Liturgy; they remain in the hall and take part in the Celebration of Holy Mass via the screen. Everyone will return to the church via the sacristy door after the Bidding Prayers.

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 **SVP** and **The Legion of Mary** after 10.00 am Mass on **6th May**.

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, 1st May at 6.30 pm in the parish hall.

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, 13th April** at **7.00 pm** in St Edward's Church. 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/>

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 2026



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!

6th May - **S V P** and **The Legion of Mary** <<<

3rd June - **U C M**

1st July - **Burton Latimer**

5th August - **Desborough**

2nd September - **Rothwell**

7th October - **Soup Kitchen**

4th November - **Flower Arrangers and Readers**

2nd December - **Church Cleaners** and **Children's Liturgy**

BEREAVEMENT MASSES



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:

4th of June at 7 pm,

3rd of September at 7 pm,

2nd of November (*All Souls Day*) at 7 pm,

3rd of December at 7 pm.

YOUTH GROUP 2026



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**:

3rd July

7th August

4th September

2nd October

/No meetings in April/

1st May

6th November

5th June

4th December



OUR PARISH ROSARY GROUP



At present we pray

~ **220** ~

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 first group of five: *Beverley, Pearl, Bineetha, Danny, Shane,* And *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 -

We have our first group of five: *Maria, Rebecca, Lily, Augustina, Mariella* who share between them 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.](#)

>>> 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.