



ST EDWARD'S PARISH KETTERING

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2nd Advent Sunday B
Times of Liturgies

7th December 2014

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEKEND		
SATURDAY	St Edward	6.00pm John Garvie F&F RIP
SUNDAY	St Edward	8.00am Lorenza Mazzone RIP
		10.30am Walsh, Fitzgibbons F&F RIP
		1.30pm Polish Mass
		5.00pm Vespers & Benediction
		7.00pm David Bennett RIP
	Desborough	9.00am Gordon Collis, Dorothy Springer RIP
	Rothwell	10.30am Roger Middleton, Phillip Ghanam Fam RIP
	Burton Latimer	9.00am For the Parish

MONDAY	Convent	8.00am Special Intention (Norton)
	St Edward	7.30pm Les Dicks RIP
TUESDAY	Convent	8.00am McClure F&F RIP
	Burton Latimer	7.00pm Vincent Julian, Conroy Fam RIP
WEDNESDAY	St Edward	10.00am May Jefferies RIP
THURSDAY	Convent	5.30pm Kevin/Rita McEntee, O'Neill Fam RIP
	St Edward	7.30pm Exposition & Benediction
	Rothwell	7.00pm O'Callaghan, Gaffney F&F RIP
FRIDAY	St Edward	10.00am Requiem for Algy Nagys
		7.30pm Antonio Savino RIP
	Desborough	7.00pm Tommy Smallwood RIP
SATURDAY	St Edward	10.00am Bill Cross RIP

MASS INTENTIONS NEXT WEEKEND		
SATURDAY	St Edward	6.00pm Salvatore Meli RIP
SUNDAY	St Edward	8.00am Abraccio, De Santis Fam RIP
		10.30am Hinson, Kerry, Bonsor Fam RIP
		1.30pm Polish Mass
		5.00pm Vespers & Benediction
		7.00pm Ann Gilenan RIP
	Desborough	9.00am Margaret Phillips RIP
	Rothwell	10.30am Jerry McCann RIP
	Burton Latimer	9.00am Private Intention (for friends)

PASTORAL NOTES

MARY, IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, DIOCESAN PATRON

The 'Footsteps' members had a short tour recently of some of the central features of our Northampton Cathedral and remembering Our Lady, redeemed, as we all are, but by exemption from sin, with no barrier to charity. She is the prime diocesan patron for Northampton. When the first eight (including our own) English dioceses were established in 1850 by Pope Pius IX, Birmingham diocese first chose 'the Immaculate Conception' title of patronage, a devotion ancient in England. In 1854 when, on 8th December, the teaching was defined, with the affirmation of the bishops world-wide, the patronage of Our Lady Immaculate was extended to all the eight dioceses, so their major diocesan feast was celebrated by all eight dioceses together, on the same day of definition. The Bishop always invites us to the Cathedral for Mass at 7.00pm. Our secondary diocesan patron is St Thomas Becket, summoned to the royal court at Northampton before fleeing abroad.

Readings for the week:

Monday 8 December	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception	Genesis 3: 9-15; Ephesians 1: 3-6. 11-12; Luke 1: 26-38
Tuesday 9 December	Feria	Isaiah 40: 1-11; Matthew 18: 12-14
Wednesday 10 December	Feria	Isaiah 40: 25-31; Matthew 11: 28-30
Thursday 11 December	Feria	Isaiah 41: 13-20; Matthew 11: 11-15
Friday 12 December	Feria	Isaiah 48: 17-19; Matthew 11: 16-29
Saturday 13 December	St Lucy	Ecclesiasticus 48: 1-4. 9-11; Matthew 17: 10-13
Sunday 14 December	3rd Advent Sunday B	Isaiah 16: 1-2. 10-11; 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-24; John 1: 6-8. 19-28

ALTAR SERVERS

MONDAY

A J & C Loom

THURSDAY

R & A Thottam

FRIDAY

L Memdoza, T Bayatolal

SATURDAY

10.00am

B & J Makkil

6pm

A & C Farrell, H Fawcett

G Herbert

SUNDAY

8am

A & C Loom, T Joy

10.30am

S Joseph, A & G Sansone

B & J Makkil, J Jamon

A & A Kularatnam, A Reddy

J Robbins, S & S Moni

7pm

E Hallam, T Batayola

L Mendoza, J Binnie

CONFESSION

Saturdays after 10am Mass
and 7pm to 7.30pm.

Other times at request.

PLEASE REMEMBER in your prayers Doreen Boothroyd of Ringstead, whose Funeral Service is at Kettering Crematorium on Wednesday 10th December at 3.00pm. Also Algy Nagys, whose Requiem at St Edward's is on Friday 12th December at 10.00am. May they rest in peace. Our prayers and condolences with all families and friends.

THIS SUNDAY

There is a Flower Collection for Christmas.

Sunday 7th December: Organ Recital in aid of **Christians In Need (ICIN)** at St Gregory the Great, Park Avenue North, Northampton NN3 2HS at 4.30pm to help raise funds for Christian refugee families in Erbil, Iraq.

NEXT SUNDAY

St Edward's Walkers meet outside the church at 11.00am for a 3 mile walk around East Carlton followed by a bring and share. All welcome.

THIS WEEK

Monday: Union of Catholic Mothers meet at 8.00pm in the Lower Room with a Faith Supper. New members welcome.

Tuesday: SVP meet at 8.00pm in the Upper Room.

Wednesday: Flower Group meeting at 7.00pm in the Upper Room of the Church Hall. New members welcome!

Friday: All are invited to the Feast Day Mass of Our Lady of Guadalupe, with Bishop Peter, at The Church of the Holy Child and St Joseph, 2, Brereton Road, Bedford MK40 1HU at 7.30 pm.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Thinking Theology Lectures 2014/2015 at St Paul's School M K. Programme is in all Churches.

21st January 2015: Special Ecumenical Service at the Cathedral at 7.00pm with Archbishop Bernard Longley.

NEWS FROM BURTON LATIMER

2nd collection for Christmas flowers.

The Rosary Group meet on Thursday 18th December at 2.00pm at St Nicholas Owen with refreshments after. Please spare 40 minutes for this worthwhile gathering. All welcome.

Christmas Concerts with Belcanto at St Nicholas Owen on **Saturday 20th December** at 5.00pm (with Santa's visit) and 7.00pm. Tickets £5, under 12s free, including refreshments. Raffle. Phone 07880 863757 or 01536 414925. Looking forward to seeing you there.

PLEASE GIFT AID ALL OFFERINGS AND EARN THE PARISH ANOTHER £5000 A YEAR.

Any Donation made to the Church can attract a 25% addition from HM Revenue and Customs if a Gift Aid declaration has been made. You do not need to make any commitment to pay a regular amount just sign the declaration and put whatever you feel like in a numbered envelope and put that in the weekly offertory collection. Any Gift Aid Donor MUST be paying sufficient UK Income or Capital Gains Tax to cover the tax repayment. **Please see the attached paper from our GIFT AID Officer.**

Notices for Newsletter

should be in writing please and delivered to 2 The Grove, NN15 7QQ or emailed to canon.john@stedwardskettering.org.uk
The deadline is Wednesday at 1.00pm

GENERAL NOTICES

"Footsteps" is finished for this term. Many thanks to everyone who has taken part, and especially for the Carol Service you helped with at Harry Potter House. Hope to see you in the New Year, when we restart around the end of January.

40 Hours Prayer - many thanks to all who helped.

Parish Mission - prayer and reflection on Tuesday 7.30pm for an hour, for anyone wishing to share thoughts for deepening the life of the parish - also long-term preparing for a Mission in 2016. In the Presbytery - depending on numbers!

Red Boxes "Thank you from the Red Boxes. So many people are unable to attend Mass regularly or to receive comfort from the word of God. Your support via the Red Box donations will go far in helping us to change that. Thank you for partaking in the responsibility that we all have as members of the Catholic Church to continue our commitment to provide pastoral care, proclaim the Gospel and pray for all our brothers and sisters worldwide. Your prayers and your generosity will make a huge difference - so, thank you. Stay in touch via www.missio.org.uk" (Canon James Cronin, National Director). Recent donations in the Red Boxes came to £712.63.

Health Update: Student Michael, currently living at St Thomas Aquinas Parish, Bletchley, has been told that his knee needs keyhole surgery. This could be before or after Christmas. Please keep him in your prayers. He is putting a brave face on it and hopefully long-term it can be properly dealt with. He may then be able to visit us before returning to Seminary in Birmingham.

URGENT HELP REQUIRED TO CLEAN BRASSES AT ST EDWARD'S, BEFORE CHRISTMAS.

Thank you for the one welcome response to last week's appeal, however it is really a four person job, so more help will be welcome. **Please contact Canon John direct**, by email, or by a written note, indicating when you can be available, giving your name and contact details if you are able to give two or three hours to get the brasses sparkling before Christmas. People who have responded to earlier requests, please submit those details again. As you will have noticed quite a few of the candlesticks etc are quite heavy.

Sacramental Preparation for students in Non Catholic Schools, 2015

Preparation for First Confession and First Holy Communion. Lessons will begin in the New Year on Saturday mornings in the Upper Room of St Edward's Hall from 9am to 10am. **Registration for the lessons will be on Saturday 10th January at 9am in the Upper Room of St Edward's Hall.**

SVP: Preparing for Christmas: Items from the following list would be much appreciated: Tins of Soup, Fruit, Meat, Fish, Vegetables, Packets of Tea, Biscuits, Pasta, Jars of Coffee. Small Christmas puddings, Confectionary, cartons of long life milk. Some Christmas parcels will be prepared with remaining items going to the Food Bank. Please place items in the boxes at the back of the Churches **NEXT WEEKEND.** Thank you.

SALE OF CAFOD WORLD GIFTS - You can look at the gifts available and order online at

<http://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk> or pick up a catalogue from your church porch or phone 0808 140 0014.

SOME GIFTS WILL BE ON SALE IN ST. EDWARD'S HALL AFTER 10.30 MASS THIS SUNDAY 7th DECEMBER.