



# ST EDWARD'S PARISH KETTERING

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First Advent Sunday Year A  
Times of Liturgies

1<sup>st</sup> December 2013

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEKEND		
<b>SATURDAY</b>	St Edward	6.00pm Laurence Diaz RIP
<b>SUNDAY</b>	St Edward	8.00am P.I. (Gardner)
		10.30am Marcus Tilley RIP
		1.30pm Polish Mass
		5.00pm <b>Vespers &amp; Benediction</b>
		7.00pm Antonio Savino RIP
	Desborough	9.00am For the Parish
	Rothwell	10.30am Peadar Reynolds RIP
	Burton Latimer	9.00am Fitzgerald Fam All F&F RIP

<b>MONDAY</b>	Convent	8.00am Agnes Ferguson RIP
	St Edward	7.30pm Mercedes Murphy Int
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Convent	8.00am Margaret Rothwell RIP
	St Edward	10.00am Service of Word & Communion
	Burton Latimer	7.00pm Murray, Kerwick Fam RIP
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	St Edward	10.00am Shey Conway RIP
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Convent	5.30pm Harry Gaskell RIP
	St Edward	7.30pm <b>Exposition &amp; Benediction</b>
	Rothwell	7.00pm O'Callaghan, Logue F&F RIP
<b>FRIDAY</b>	Desborough	7.00pm Jowitt, Hunt Fam RIP
	St Edward	7.30pm Deceased members Legion of Mary
<b>SATURDAY</b>	St Edward	10.00am Tony Fitzpatrick RIP

MASS INTENTIONS NEXT WEEKEND		
<b>SATURDAY</b>	St Edward	6.00pm Antonio/Ernesto Fiocca, Giovina/Alfonso Didomenico RIP
<b>SUNDAY</b>	St Edward	8.00am Biatkowski, Zikowich F&F RIP
		10.30am Peter Johnson & Fam Int
		1.30pm Polish Mass
		5.00pm <b>Vespers &amp; Benediction</b>
		7.00pm Mary & Martin Corrigan RIP
	Desborough	9.00am For the Parish
	Rothwell	10.30am John Roberts RIP
	Burton Latimer	9.00am Buchan, Reeves F&F RIP

## ALTAR SERVERS

### MONDAY

A George, S Joseph

### THURSDAY

J Robbins, N Wijesinghe

### FRIDAY

J Jamon, J Binnie

### SATURDAY

10.00am

A & R Thottam

6pm

O Andrews, A & C Farrell

H Fawcett

### SUNDAY

8am

A & C Loom, O Kularatnam

10.30am

A & G Sansone, S Joseph

A & A Kularatnam,

R Constantine,

A & R Thottam, A George

B & J Makkil, H Falshaw

7pm

N Wijesinghe, E Hallam

A & C Hill

## CONFESSION

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

*Other times at request.*

## PASTORAL NOTES

### Christmas Greetings

An early Card has come from Sister Liz to all the parish (cf notice-board): our thoughts will be with all the Sisters this Christmas. Our friends in the Salvation Army will be busy with their music over the coming season, their band being active at Asda and for the Tree of Lights on 1<sup>st</sup> December. The band will play outside Sainsbury's and Morrison's on 15<sup>th</sup> December before their own Carol Services at the Citadel on Rockingham Road on 22<sup>nd</sup> December.

As we think especially of children at this time, it is good to know that "First4Adoption and Home for Good have joined forces to encourage more people from faith communities to consider adopting". There are apparently often misconceptions about who is eligible to adopt. (cf. brief notice on notice-board – for more information call 0300 222 5950).

## Readings for the week:

Monday 2 December	Feria	Isaiah 2: 1-5; Matthew 8: 5-11
Tuesday 3 December	St Frances Xavier	Isaiah 11: 1-10; Luke 10: 21-24
Wednesday 4 December	Feria	Isaiah 25: 6-10; Matthew 15: 29-37
Thursday 5 December	St Birinus	Isaiah 26: 1-6; Matthew 7: 21, 24-27
Friday 6 December	St Nicholas	Isaiah 29: 17-24; Matthew 9: 27-31
Saturday 7 December	St Ambrose	Isaiah 30: 19-21, 23-26; Matthew 9: 35-10: 1, 6-8
Sunday 8 December	2 <sup>nd</sup> Advent Sunday A	Isaiah 11: 1-10; Romans 15: 4-9; Matthew 3: 1-12

## THIS WEEK

**Wednesday: "Footsteps"** – our last meeting before Christmas this week, when we will walk over to 'Holly House' for a Carol Service. We'll try to leave together from the Hall at 6.00pm.

**Saturday 7th December:** A mini Advent retreat on the vigil of The Immaculate Conception and to put us in the spirit of Advent. Gillian Brockway will give her testimony about her miraculous healing (The latest Vine issue). Fr Stephen the Hermit will give a talk on Our Lady. And if he is available Fr Bosco will give a talk on St Francis de Sales. This will be held in the upper room 2.00pm to 4.00pm Saturday Confessions will be available if required. Tea & Coffee and informal chat afterwards. Please come along. **Saturday 7th December, "St Thomas More School, Northampton Road, Kettering** will be holding their Christmas Fayre 12 noon to 3pm. There will be a variety of festive stalls, Christmas raffle, chocolate tombola and Santa will be visiting us too. Please come along and help to support us in raising funds for the school."

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December – The Rosary Link for Vocations Mass, Rosary and Exposition** at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Wellingborough, 10.30am. All welcome.

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December after 10.30am Mass** there will be a sale of handmade religious jewellery in St Edward's Church Hall. Ideal gifts for Christmas and also First Holy Communion and Confirmation. A good way to Evangelise using the Fashion Media.

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 7 pm:** A concert by the community rock/pop choir "Voices with Attitude" to raise funds for the Jumbulance trip will be held in St Edward's Hall. Tickets £5 from the trustees or on the door.

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December: NO UCM meeting.** 12s free, includes a glass of wine and mince pie. Tickets **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2014 Diocesan Mass for Married Life:** The 2014 Mass with Bishop Peter at St Theresa's, Beaconsfield at noon. Further Information, posters and Applications for Certificates for "Special Anniversaries" will be published shortly.

## NEWS FROM BURTON LATIMER

**The Rosary Group** meet on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 2.00pm for 40 minutes with refreshments after. Please spare 40 minutes for this worthwhile gathering.

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December: Christmas Concert, Belcanto Choir, 5.00pm and 7.00pm at St Nicholas Owen, Burton Latimer.** 5.00pm will include a visit from Father Christmas. Tickets £5 under from Kerry Peterson, K 414925 or Alison Wise – 07855 406766

## Numbered Offertory Envelopes.

As you will know, our Gift Aid Officer, Ken Anderton is continually striving to perfect the system to ensure that we can maximise HM Revenue and Customs contribution to the Parish. His recent work has revealed that some people who thought they were paying under Gift Aid were not being include in the tax claim submitted by the Diocese on our behalf. As a first step we will be attaching a list of envelope numbers that are included in the repayment claim to next week's Bulletin. Please check that your envelope number is on that list and if it is not please contact Ken (01536 514302) to rectify the matter. He might have to ask you to sign another form (once only).

## GENERAL NOTICES

**St Edward's School** has its 'Carols by Candlelight' on St Edward's Church 6.30pm Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. Their Christmas Bazaar is Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December 6-8.00pm at the school.

**By Kind Donation** we have 150 new hymn books (Blue; Hymns Old & New). Please take good care of them.

**Red Mission Boxes** are available at the back of church to be kept at home until next autumn.

**CAFOD** The second collection last weekend raised £2,796.93 for the **CAFOD Philippines Disaster Appeal.**

**Of that amount the sum of £1166.00 was "Gift Aided" which means that a further £291.50 can be claimed from HM Revenue and Customs.** In addition to that the sum of £180.48 had been donated by Desborough Parishioners a couple of weeks ago. **Many Thanks.** Any late donations can be made via a CAFOD, or plain envelope noted CAFOD in our regular Sunday Collections during the next three weeks.

**SVP - Christmas Giving Tree** - Please take a label and return item next weekend to the box at the back of each Church. Thank you.

**Readers and Eucharistic Ministers at St Edward's.** The new Rota for December and January is now available in the Sacristy, please collect one.

The Christmas Rota is also there for collection, those involved have already been contacted.

**My Day-by-Day for Advent** is available at the back of churches, Adult £1 and Juniors 50p.

## CHRISTMAS GIFTS

**Please remember the Cafod and Traidcraft catalogues still available in each Church.**

Please support the work of **The Passage**, which is a Christian Charity working with homeless people in Central London around Westminster Cathedral, Victoria Station and Parliament Square. Donate through The Big Give website just after 10.00am on 5, 6, 7 December and every £1 can be worth up to £2. There is an element of competition for full matching from The Big Give so if possible give just after 10.00am at ... <http://new.thebiggive.org.uk/project/Passage>

## NEWS FROM ROTHWELL

**St Bernadette's Chocoholics Tombola at Rothwell 2013 Christmas Fair Needs Prizes:** To kick off the 2013 advent season, St Bernadette's is once again having its highly popular Chocoholics Tombola stall at the Rothwell Christmas fair in early December. Last year was a great success raising funds for the church. We are hoping that people will be as generous as they can again this year in donating anything with chocolate, big or small for prizes. We are after chocolate bars, boxes, biscuits, spreads and even drinking chocolate - anything chocolatey!! All donations are need by the end of November. Please give any donations to either Harriet O'Dea or Sue Macfarlane, or leave them in the church porch with a note. Thank you.

## NEWS FROM DESBOROUGH

Please join us for our Christmas coffee morning at Holy Trinity Church hall on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December from 10.00am until 12 noon, craft, cake and bric-a-brac etc. and Christmas raffle with great prizes. All proceeds to Chad.

**Organist needed** for 9.00am Mass on the third Sunday of each Month, if anyone can help, please contact James Atkins 07866 596093 or David Watson 07889 360 036.