



# ST EDWARD'S PARISH KETTERING

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4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT, YEAR C Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2009

## Times of Liturgies

<b>SATURDAY</b>	St Edward	6.00pm Richard Wellington RIP
<b>SUNDAY</b>	St Edward	8.00am Marty & Bernie Hynes RIP
		10.30am Florence Saunders RIP
		5.00pm <b>Vespers &amp; Benediction</b>
		7.00pm Alan & Pauline Int (Anniv)
	Desborough	9.00am Bridie Watson RIP
	Rothwell	10.30am Jimmy McKernan RIP
	Burton Latimer	9.00am Castel, Coubillier, Hodson F&F RIP

<b>MONDAY</b>	Convent	8.00am Jim Byrne RIP
	St Edward	10.00am CR Int
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Convent	8.00am P.I. (Gardner)
	St Edward	10.00am Peter Toal RIP
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Convent	8.00am Robert & Henry Winterhalder RIP
	St Edward	10.00am Requiem: Giuseppe Constantino
<b>THURSDAY</b>	St Edward	10.00am Lally, Fitzmaurice, Hunt Fam RIP
<b>CHRISTMAS MASSES</b>		
<b>THURSDAY (Christmas Eve)</b>	St Edward	6.00pm Christmas Children's Mass – Grace Forbes RIP
		11.00pm Vigil & Midnight Mass – Alexander Ross RIP
	Burton Latimer	8.30pm Carols, Midnight Mass
<b>FRIDAY (Christmas Day)</b>	St Edward	8.00am Margaret Hannon RIP
		10.30am Brigid Harford RIP
		12 noon Mr & Mrs Pearson RIP
		2.00pm POLISH MASS
	Desborough	9.00am Mr & Mrs Skinner, Clive & Annabel Int
	Rothwell	10.30am Don Martin RIP
<b>SATURDAY</b>	St Edward	10.00am Clifford & Peggy Int (60 <sup>th</sup> )

<b>MASS INTENTIONS NEXT WEEKEND</b>		
<b>SATURDAY</b>	St Edward	6.00pm George & Gary Smallman RIP
<b>SUNDAY</b>	St Edward	8.00am Fr Henry Stanley RIP
		10.30am Nora Mammana, Oscar Roca RIP
		5.00pm <b>Vespers &amp; Benediction</b>
		7.00pm Murphy Fam RIP
	Burton Latimer	9.00am Nora & David Hirst Int (40 <sup>th</sup> )
	Desborough	9.30am For the Parish
	Rothwell	10.30am Service with Deacon

<b>Readings for the week:</b>	<i>Psalter Week 4</i>	
Monday 21 December	Feria – <i>O Rising Sun</i>	Song of Songs 2:8-14; Luke 1:39-45
Tuesday 22 December	Feria – <i>O King</i>	1 Sam. 1:24-28; Luke 1:46-56
Wednesday 23 December	Feria – <i>O Emmanuel</i>	Mal. 3:1-4. 23-24; Luke 1:57-66
Thursday 24 December	Feria	2 Sam. 7:1-5. 8-12. 14. 16; Luke 1:67-79
Friday 25 December	The Nativity	Isa. 9:1-7; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-14
	Midnight	Isa. 62:11-12; Titus 3:4-7; Luke 2:15-20
	Dawn	Isa. 52:7-10; Heb. 1:1-6; John 1:1-18
	Day	Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Matt. 10:17-22
Saturday December	St Stephen	Ecc'us. 3:2-6. 12-14; Col. 3:12-21; Luke 2:41-52
Sunday 28 December	The Holy Family	

<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>
<b>MONDAY</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b>
<b>6.00pm</b> - As instructed
<b>MIDNIGHT MASS</b>
As instructed
<b>FRIDAY - Christmas Day</b>
<b>8.00am</b>
A Morris, Mr J Huzar
<b>10.30am</b>
As instructed
<b>12 noon</b> – As instructed
<b>SATURDAY – St Stephen's Day - 10.00am All Altar Servers are invited to renew their promises.</b>
<b>6pm</b>
O Nixon, C Hill, A Soto
<b>SUNDAY</b>
<b>8am</b>
Mr J Huzar
<b>10.30am</b>
A & T Sansone, H Falshaw, C C & E Hogg, M McLaren, T Simon, A & O Kularatnam, E Walsh, A & P George, T John, D & M McCarney, B McCourt
<b>7pm</b>
A Morris, N Wijesinghe

<b>CONFESSION</b>
Saturdays after 10am Mass and 7pm to 7.30pm.
<i>Other times at request.</i>

**PLEASE REMEMBER** in your prayers Jose Goncalves who died on 10<sup>th</sup> December and whose service is on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1.00pm at Kettering Crematorium. Also Giuseppe Constantino who died on 13<sup>th</sup> December and whose Requiem Mass is on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10.00am at St Edward's. May they rest in peace. Our prayers and condolences are with the families and friends.

**THIS SUNDAY**  
Masses at all the churches.  
**SVP Christmas Giving Tree** – Please return item indicated on the label and place in boxes at the back of the churches. Many thanks.  
**NEXT SUNDAY**  
10.30am Service with Deacon Keith at Rothwell.  
9.30am Mass at Desborough.

**THIS WEEK**  
**Weekday Masses** – Please note 10am Masses at St Edward's, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The priests will be at a Penitential Service at St Brendan's on Monday. St Nicholas Owen only have the Christmas Night Mass this week.  
**The 6pm Mass** on Christmas Eve is suitable for children up to Junior school age, as we use simple readings and Eucharistic prayers. We would like to encourage children to dress up as Angels, Shepherds, Mary or Joseph and take part in our Gospel story of Christmas. There may even be some sweetie treats to follow for those who are sitting nicely!!! Please come along.

**NOTES FOR THE DIARY**  
**R.C.I.A.** will resume at 7.30pm on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January in the Upper Room.  
**Tea and coffee** (after 10.30am Sunday Masses at St Edward's) will resume in January, now that the Hall is back in use. If anyone would like to volunteer for the rota, please ring 460909.  
**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January – UCM Coffee morning** and table top sale in the Hall at 10.00am. All welcome.

**PASTORAL NOTES**  
The figure of Our Lady prepares us for Christ's coming on this fourth Sunday of Advent. In Nazareth today there is a sizeable but now dwindling Christian community. The town is built on hills – the crowd once threatened Jesus after his sermon in the synagogue, on one of these hills. There is a huge modern basilica in the town, with medallions of all the national shrines of Our Lady from around the world, on the inside walls. When I visited I witnessed a sword and forework dance by the menfolk of the community in honour of Our Lady, in the square in front of the basilica. The church is built over the very simple stone structure believed to be the home of the Holy Family. No problem with carbon-footprinting in those circumstances! There are also sites of very ancient churches in a local style, in Nazareth, as well as a more modern memorial to Charles de Foucauld, a former member of the French Foreign Legion, whose conversion brought him to a hermit's lodge in a convent in Nazareth, and then to the desert in North Africa, where he died at the hands of suspicious tribesmen in 1914. His life and writings inspired a new Religious Congregation in the Church, the little servants of the poor.

**GENERAL NOTICES**  
**CAFOD** – Thank you to all who so generously support Project CAFOD Village. Sales of World Gifts recently have raised £1131.13. We also received donations of £1057.89, bringing our overall total including gift aid to **£16943.10**. Please continue to support CAFOD. World gifts are still available.  
**Calling 11-25 year olds** – Please return the survey by the Union of Catholic Mothers to the back of the church by 20<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you.  
**“Walking Humbly With Our God”** - The Diocesan initiative to ensure a “Thriving Catholic Community” continues into the future and now enters a new phase. Early in the New Year we will have the opportunity to view a 12 minute DVD and have conversations about the strengths already present in this parish. After that we will be asked to provide small groups (of perhaps 4 or 5 people) from each Church to talk to a couple of visitors from other parts of the Deanery about our present strengths and hopes for the future.  
Please see the attached “Local Steering Group Newsletter” which gives further details.  
**Red Boxes** - £28.27 has been collected. Many thanks.  
**St Edward's flower collection** - £400 was collected last week. Very many thanks.

**PLEASE – HYMN BOOKS** – Bring them back if you have taken them and they've been left in the home! Thank you. We need GREEN/BLUE books back! We're running out!

**LUMOS Weekend (Friday 5<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> Feb 2010 at The Kings Park Centre, Northampton)**  
'Lumos' is a weekend for young people of Northampton Diocese of **secondary school age and above** to get together and discover more about themselves and about their Catholic faith:  
*“It will be a weekend with time to rest and time to riot!... there'll be activities on offer to explore more about prayer, about Mass, about faith and about justice, and at the same time we'll be getting stuck in with sport, art, drama, talent spots and social time. The theme of the weekend is 'on fire'. We'll be looking at our relationship with the Holy Spirit and how we can live spirit-filled lives. There will be lots of outdoor activities, as well as funny and inspiring inputs and plenty of time to discuss in smaller groups! Places are limited at 'lumos' so make sure you get your deposit in quickly to secure a place”* (from the NYMO Website).

The cost of the weekend is £75 per person, but the parish would be willing to pay half of this from the Ireson Fund. If more than 5 young people from the parish would like to attend, however, they will need to be accompanied by an adult. For more information see the Northampton Youth Ministry Website: <http://www.nymo.org>.

If you are interested in going, please contact Fr Andy at the Presbytery who will try to co-ordinate the event.

**NEWS FROM BURTON LATIMER**  
Many thanks for the collection for flowers for Christmas.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NEWSLETTER:**  
By hand to the priest, or by email to [newsletter@stedwardskettering.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@stedwardskettering.org.uk)  
Deadline is Wednesday each week