



ST EDWARD'S PARISH KETTERING

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Third Advent Sunday
Times of Liturgies

17th December 2017

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEKEND		
SATURDAY	St Edward	6.00pm George Nichols RIP
SUNDAY	St Edward	8.00am Mary O'Hara, Jacky Fleming F&F RIP
		10.30am Salvatore Meli RIP
		1.00pm Polish Mass
		5.00pm Vespers & Benediction
		7.00pm Jacinta O'Neill Int
	Desborough	9.15am For the Parish
	Rothwell	10.45am Mick Gatens RIP
	Burton Latimer	9.00am Colin & Taylor Lovett, F&F RIP

MONDAY	Convent	8.00am Mick Brody RIP
	St Edward	7.30pm Diver, Mangan Fam RIP
TUESDAY	St Edward	8.00am Eileen McNulty RIP
	Burton Latimer	10.00am Heike Sharpling
	St Edward	7.30pm Service of Reconciliation
WEDNESDAY	St Edward	10.00am Janet Fernando, Henry Costa Int
THURSDAY	Convent	5.30pm Fr Donald Jenkinson RIP
	St Edward	7.30pm Exposition & Benediction
	Rothwell	7.00pm Reggie (RIP), Gerdy Woods Int
FRIDAY	Desborough	7.00pm Poggi, Rebora Fam RIP
	St Edward	7.30pm Valentino Di Cicco/Domenico, Filomena Berardi RIP
SATURDAY	St Edward	10.00am Herbert, Henry Winterhalder RIP

MASS INTENTIONS NEXT WEEKEND		
SATURDAY	St Edward	6.00pm Nuala Hammond RIP
SUNDAY	St Edward	8.00am Mary Rice, Eleanor (N Carolina) Thanks
		10.30am Peter Toal RIP
		1.00pm Polish Mass
	Desborough	9.15am Sr Emanuel Hannigan RIP
	Rothwell	10.45am Service of Word & Communion
	Burton Latimer	9.00am For the Parish
Christmas Eve	St Edward	6.00pm (Children's Mass) : Mary RIP
		8.00pm Polish Mass
		10.30pm Jenkinson, Broadway Fam RIP
	Burton Latimer	8.30 for 9pm Castor, Coubillier, Hodson RIP
Christmas Day	St Edward	8.00am Felice Rootham RIP
		10.30am Brigid Harford RIP
		12 noon Salvatore Stifanelli RIP
	Desborough	9.00am Clarence Galbraith F&F RIP
	Rothwell	10.30am Francis/Alice McLoughlin, Norman/Doris Littler RIP

ALTAR SERVERS

MONDAY

A John, Christo Biju

THURSDAY

George Biju, J Zakariah

FRIDAY

A Sheby, S Remy

SATURDAY

10.00am

A Shaity, A Sibu

6.00pm

A & C Farrell, J Ike

M Di Micco, A Neeson

SUNDAY

8.00am

A C & J Loom, T Joy

G Meledeth, G & T Rejesh

10.30am

B D & J Lopez, S Juanta

Angelo & Melbin Biju, C Miles

H Calaunan, J Robbins,

H Stephens, S & S Moni

George Biji

7pm

J Mendoza, T Batayola

R Binnie, D Binoy

CONFESSION

Saturdays after 10am Mass and

7pm to 7.30pm.

Other times at request.

PLEASE REMEMBER in your prayers Janina Brzozowski from Rockingham Road, who died 7th December and whose funeral is after the Christmas week. Also Andrew Wallace who died 7th December and whose funeral service at Kettering Crematorium is on Wednesday 20th December at 12 noon. May they rest in peace. Our prayers and condolences are with all the bereaved families and friends.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 19th: Day of Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament begins with an 8.00am Mass and concludes 7.30pm with a penitential service and opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Fr Tony Whitfield will also be helping us.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Christmas Day lunch, sponsored by Churches Together and, this year, hosted in St Edward's Church Hall, see posters in all Churches.

Tuesday 9th January: at 7.30pm Citizens UK invite us to hear about the Community Sponsorship Scheme for Refugees at Fuller Baptist Church Rooms Gold Street, see poster in all churches.

PASTORAL NOTES

Bishop's Call to a Year of Prayer

We all have our own ways of praying but perhaps some thoughts from great examples can help us. Cardinal John Henry Newman, who was beatified by Pope Benedict about 2005, used to suggest saying: "I come into the presence of God, in whose presence I have always been, before ever I began to pray." In other words, coming into church, perhaps, or at home, with one or other help to prayer, we might remember that we are always in God's loving presence, but from time to time, in our human way, we become aware of the Lord. St Thomas Aquinas suggested that, if we fall asleep while praying, then our prayer is our sleep, which we obviously needed! However we approach it, a daily prayer is a great help to us, entrusting ourselves to our Lord.

Churches Together

Week of prayer for Christian Unity

main event, **Saturday, 20 January** at 2.30 pm at Rockingham Road Baptist Church,

Tuesday, 23 Jan at 7:30 pm Fuller Church rooms Bible Sharing' (reflection on Scripture from the different traditions),

Interfaith Forum Thursday, 11 January at 6 pm at the Kettering Borough Council offices – all welcome. Holocaust Memorial Commemoration **27 January**, timings to be confirmed.

"Sacramental Preparation for Children in non Catholic Schools

Registration for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion will take place in St Edward's Church Hall on Saturday 13th January at 9.00 am." The First Holy Communion Celebration will be on Sunday 17th June at 10.30am.

GENERAL NOTICES

If you wish, to save going to two Masses on Sunday, you may go to 6pm Saturday evening and one of the Sunday evening or Monday morning Masses.

The Children's Christmas Mass will take place this year on Sunday 24th December at 6pm. The children if they wish may come dressed as characters in the Nativity story, i.e. angels, shepherds, kings and innkeepers etc.

The Christmas Day offertory collection is your gift to the priests of the Parish. All donations that day are for the clergy. Please do NOT put any numbered weekly offering envelopes into that collection. If you forget your Sunday 24th envelope, please put it in at a later date. Any cheques to be made out to St Edward's Kettering, please.

Fr Pius has sent Christmas Greetings to all the Parish, again thanking everybody for his leaving gift. The card is on the notice board in St Edward's.

READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AT ST EDWARD'S Please collect your copy of the new Rota, which commences with effect from 24th December.

CHRISTMAS CARDS At St Edward's Church we do again have a box to enable parishioners to exchange Christmas Cards without using the postal system. If leaving cards, please ensure that the surname of the intended recipient is included. Please check regularly and remove cards addressed to you to minimise overcrowding. Cards must be collected by 6th January; after that they will have to be recycled.

Job Opportunity. Hope UK the National Christian Drug Education Charity based in Kettering is looking for a Deputy CEO, closing date 24th January 2018. Details and Application Pack from recruitment@hopeuk.org (020 7928 0848)

Tuition on Sound System: Due to last Sunday's heavy snow, this has been re-arranged. Any instrumentalist, choir member or other person interested in learning how to integrate the Soundbox into the amplification system at St. Edward's is invited to a short tuition on Sunday January 14th at 11.45am.

CAFOD world gifts catalogues are available at the back of all Churches. Order on line up to midnight on 17th December www.worldgifts.cafod.org.uk

CONFIDENTIAL HELP FOR PERSONAL PROBLEMS - Northampton Diocese Catholic Listening Ministry enquiry line open 2-4pm Mon - Fri to book appointments. **075 31 55 27 28**

Safeguarding: St Edward's Parish is committed to Responsible Caring. Parish Safeguarding Representative: vivienaldwell@hotmail.com or 01536 501255. Diocesan Safeguarding Coordinator: safeguarding@northamptonshirediocese.com

Readings for the week:

Monday 18 th December	Feria	Jeremiah 23: 5-8; Matthew 1: 18-24
Tuesday 19 December	Feria	Judges 13: 2-7, 24-25; Luke 1: 5-25
Wednesday 20 December	Feria	Isaiah 7: 10-14; Luke 1: 26-38
Thursday 21 December	Feria	Song of Songs 2: 8-14; Luke 1: 39-45
Friday 22 December	Feria	1 Samuel 1: 24-28; Luke 1: 46-56
Saturday 23 December	Feria	Malachi 3: 1-4, 23-24; Luke 1: 57-66
Sunday 24 December	4 th Advent Sunday	2 Samuel 7: 1-5, 8-12, 14-16; Romans 16: 25-27; Luke 1: 26-38