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Second Sunday of the Year – Peace Sunday

15th January, 2021

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Please join us in saying a **Spiritual Communion** at:

<http://www.stedwardskettering.org.uk/when-mcannot-be-celebrated-publicly-making-a-spiritual-communion/>

Or visit live streaming broadcasts of Mass from Northampton Cathedral at

<https://northamptondiocese.org/live/>

Or in other church services via <https://www.churchservices.tv/timetable/>

Sunday or Daily Readings:

<http://www.stedwardskettering.org.uk/spirituality/sunday-and-daily-readings/>

Keep an eye on the Vatican News channel for live streaming of events.

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en.html>

Pre-Booked Masses are Scheduled for the Following Times

Tuesday mornings at 10am

Friday evenings at 7pm

Saturday Vigil at 6.30pm

Sundays at 8.30am and 10.30am

To attend Mass at St. Edward's please book a seat in advance.

Please call our dedicated phone number –

0739 6606 881

Line opens Monday and Wednesday 9.30am -12. Thursday evening 6 - 8pm only.
The telephone will not be manned at other times.

Please note that the obligation to attend Sunday Masses continues to be suspended.
Permission is still granted for Spiritual Communion via live streaming if you prefer not
to attend Mass in church. <https://www.churchservices.tv/timetable/>

Funerals will continue but can only be attended by a maximum of 30 people and it is
advised that only close friends and family attend. Social distancing should be
maintained between people who do not live together or share a support bubble and
stewarding is required.

Under Tier 4 regulations, we cannot meet parishioners inside the presbytery
unfortunately. Please telephone or email instead.

THIS WEEK'S INTENTIONS

Mass intentions for the next week:

Saturday - 6.30pm - Dominic Conaghan, thanksgiving Mass

Sunday - 8.30am - Holy Souls / **10.30am** Peter Connellan RIP

Monday - 11.00am - **funeral service** of Nick O'Hara / Holy Souls

Tuesday - 10.00am - Patrick and Teresa Cummins RIP

Wednesday - 11.00am - **funeral service** of Pietro Quaranta / Holy Souls

Thursday - Pat Taylor and family int.

Friday - 7.00pm - Marian Roman, Get well int.

Saturday - 6.30pm - Sister Elizabeth Morris RIP

Sunday - 8.30am - Ronald James Whitelaw RIP / **10.30am** Michael and Mary
Lidane int.

To request a Mass Intention please send an email to:
parish@stedwardskettering.org.uk

MESSAGE FROM FR GREGORY

Deacon Les Allday RIP

I would like to inform you with great sadness about the death of the retired deacon of our parish - **Les Allday**.

Please remember him in your prayers, especially these days, because - as a layperson and then as a deacon - he was very involved in our parish for many years. This afternoon, I prayed over the body of the deceased deacon and expressed my condolences to his immediate family on behalf of the entire Parish.

May Deacon Les Allday rest in peace. Amen.

Fr Gregory

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED

In our prayers, let us remember our deceased parishioners, family members and friends.

Let us especially remember those who have recently passed away.

Nick O'Hara - His funeral will be held at St Edward's Church on Monday, 18th January at 11.00 am.

Pietro Quaranta - His funeral will be held at St Edward's Church on Wednesday, 20th January at 11.00 am.

Edward Conneely - His funeral will be held at Kettering Crematorium on Monday, 25th January at 15.00 pm.

Lynn Webster - Her funeral will be held at Kettering Crematorium on Wednesday, 27th January at 12.30 pm.

May Christ, the Good Shepherd welcome them and all who have died into the peace of eternal life and may He comfort their families in their time of grief.

RETREAT - LUX.VALOUR - FOR YOUNG PEOPLE (AGED 11-18)

This retreat will be taking place online on Saturday 30th and Sunday 31st January and will all be accessible through the YouTube Channel 'luxnymo'

During the LUX.Valour weekend, explore what it means to be a young person of great bravery. How can we walk into the unknown of this New Year, confident that we are “not given a spirit of fear, but a spirit of power.” 2 Timothy 1:7.

Although the Lux.Valour Weekend will be online, there will still be amazing talks, fun small groups, moving times of prayer, ridiculous games and a theme night and all completely free!

For more information, <https://nymo.org/lux-valour/>

CAFOD

“Reclaim Our Common Home” is a call to action from CAFOD. A call to participate both individually and collectively in rebuilding a more dignified and sustainable world after the pandemic.

As we seek to plan a world after the pandemic, let us tackle the other challenges that plague our common home: the pandemic of hunger, the pandemic of poverty and the pandemic of runaway climate change.

Sign CAFOD’s petition to the prime minister.

<https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Reclaim-our-common-home>





A PASTORAL MESSAGE DURING THE THIRD LOCKDOWN

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Last week, we celebrated the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. 'Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptised in the Jordan by John.' This is an historical event. It is also a moment of mystical significance. Our Lord's true identity is revealed to us as He hears words which must sustain Him throughout His public ministry and during the paschal mystery. We too need to hear words which will encourage us in our lives today.

This Sunday, the Second of the Year, we hear that John the Baptist is a contemplative. The Baptist 'stared hard' at Jesus and said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God.' In the midst of challenging circumstances for God's people, the prophet is not blown around like wastepaper in our streets. He stands firm within Israel's relationship with God. The Baptist is someone who observes the drama of unfolding events and can see things from an important faith perspective. The beloved Son of the Father is amongst us. He has come to refocus our hearts and minds upon the forgiveness which God offers us through the ministry, the dying and rising of Jesus.

And now it is our moment in history. Our world today is experiencing the full effects of an unfolding pandemic. Most of us are challenged by this sustained and protracted onslaught on our lives and our ways of living. We are being encouraged, there is light at the end of the tunnel. Nevertheless, we are humbled before the statistics and see the effects of the pandemic all around us. A horrific number of people are losing their lives to this virus. A growing number of our fellow citizens are in hospital and really suffering because of their illness. Unemployment grows like another virus and our society is saturated with fear, anxiety and uncertainty.

How do we navigate our way through these bad news waters? We follow Jesus like the first two disciples in the Gospel. Jesus turns to each one of us and asks, 'what do you want?' We too may answer with a question, 'Teacher where do you live?' When we find ourselves in the eye of the storm, to find shelter with Jesus, truly present to us in the word of Sacred Scripture and the Blessed Sacrament is a place of true refuge. I am reminded of the words of a beautiful hymn to the Sacred Heart,

'O Sacred Heart, our home lies deep in thee... O Sacred Heart,
our trust is all in thee, For though earth's night be dark and drear,
thou breathest rest where thou art near, O Sacred Heart.'

Rt Revd Dr David J Oakley
Bishop of Northampton



ST EDWARD'S PARISH - THE PARISH COMMUNITY

FACEBOOK GROUP

The Parish of St. Edward, RC Church, Kettering. Find the facebook group at:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2762598427183322/>

Come join our Parish Facebook group. Stay in touch with what is happening in St. Edward's Parish and with what is going on in the wider Catholic community around the world.

PARISH CALL AND CARE

The Parish is continuing with its "Parish Call and Care scheme" to support isolated and elderly parishioners. If you are someone who would like to receive calls, from a fellow parishioner, or know of someone who you feel would appreciate such a call, please contact Fr Gregory in the first instance on 01536 512497 or email parish@stedwardskettering.org.uk with your name and phone number (and if you are recommending anybody else to receive such calls, their name and phone number).

USEFUL LINKS

National Domestic Abuse Helpline 0808 2000 247

Refuge website <https://www.refuge.org.uk/>

Kettering Foodbank 1 Horse Market, Unit 1B, Kettering, NN16 0DG (side entrance at the top of Market Street) Tel. 07709 741353 <https://www.ketteringfoodbank.org/>

"The Corona Kitchen", an open air hot food takeaway outside the **Eden Centre in Montagu Street** serves from 4pm to 5.00pm on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. <http://www.stedwardskettering.org.uk/corona-kitchen/>

A list of free food outlets in Kettering (updated mid-December 2020) can be found on our website here: <http://www.stedwardskettering.org.uk/corona-kitchen/>

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Some parishioners have asked how they can maintain their donations which would normally be given via the collection plate. It is true that church income will significantly reduce as a result of the current arrangements for socially distanced public liturgies. While I will endeavour to keep parish outgoings as low as possible, please could I ask those parishioners who can afford it at this time, and do not currently give by Standing Order, to consider donating online.

There are several ways of donating during Covid-19 so that you do not need to leave home:

- **Online** This can be done via the Diocesan website which can be found at <https://northamptondiocese.org/> . Scroll down to find the 'Donate' button and follow the instructions on the Catholic Diocese of Northampton Virgin money giving page. By indicating in the notes section of the donate page that the donation is for "**St. Edward's Kettering**" your donation will go into our parish account with the diocese, and will at the same time help our diocese as a whole. Please note that there is the facility to Gift Aid any donation to your parish if you are a taxpayer. Thank you for any help you can give.
- **Standing Order** via your own bank. Alternatively, you can set up a standing order for donations to your parish using your online bank account. The information required to make the donation is as follows. Bank; NatWest Sort Code; 60-06-11 Account Name; 46898093 Account Name; Northampton Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust Payment Ref; St. Edward's, Kettering
- **Make a donation to your own parish over the phone** - The Diocesan Finance office has now introduced 'Giving Tuesday'. Each 'Tuesday' between 10.00am and 4.00pm, a member of the finance team will be available at Bishop's House to take your calls to donate to your parish community over the telephone. To donate simply call 01604 712065 with your debit or credit card details. (If you get the answering machine just leave your name and number NOT bank details and you will be called back). When you get through you will be asked for your name & address, your parish, envelope number (if you have one) and gift aid status. You can make one-off catch-up donations or regular weekly or monthly payments, on any Tuesday until further notice.
- You can also support the Parish by **making a donation through the letterbox** of the presbytery at any time.