



ST EDWARD'S PARISH KETTERING

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4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT Year B

18th December 2011

Times of Liturgies

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEKEND		
SATURDAY	St Edward	6.00pm Annie Minihane RIP
SUNDAY	St Edward	8.00am Norah/Michael Mangan RIP
		10.30am May Jefferies RIP
		1.30pm Polish Mass
		5.00pm Vespers & Benediction
		7.00pm Gaetano Muto RIP
	Desborough	9.00am Service with Deacon
	Rothwell	10.30am For the Parish
	Burton Latimer	9.00am Lovett, Sinnott Fam RIP

MONDAY	Convent	8.00am Leslie Smith RIP
	St Edward	7.30pm June Rose Mary Cruddis RIP
TUESDAY	Convent	8.00am Rose McElwaine RIP
	Burton Latimer	7.00pm Liam Malone Int
WEDNESDAY	St Edward	10.00am Margaret Hannon RIP
THURSDAY	Convent	5.30pm Geoff Etherington RIP
	St Edward	7.30pm Exposition & Benediction
	Rothwell	7.00pm Dodwell, Dale, McShane RIP
FRIDAY	Convent	8.00am Herbert/Henry Winterhalder RIP
	St Edward	7.30pm Peter Toal, Bernie McCarney RIP
SATURDAY	Convent	8.00am Lally, Fitzmaurice, Hunt Fam RIP
	St Edward	10.00am Daunders, Mannion, Blackman Fam RIP

MASS INTENTIONS NEXT WEEKEND		
CHRISTMAS EVE	St Edward	6.00pm Grace Forbes RIP
	Burton Latimer	8.30pm Murray, Kerwick Fam RIP
	St Edward	10.30pm Alexander Ross RIP Mr/Mrs Pearson RIP Salvatore Cordaro/Vincenza Saglimbene RIP
CHRISTMAS DAY	St Edward	8.00am Marty/Bernie Hynes RIP
		10.30am Brigid Harford RIP
		12 noon James Hayward RIP
		1.30pm Polish Mass
	Desborough	9.00am Donald Martin RIP
	Rothwell	10.30am Doris & Stanley Wood RIP

ALTAR SERVERS

MONDAY
A Andrews, L L Dashit

THURSDAY
Mr J Kelly, Mr M Cully

FRIDAY
J Makkil, C Farrell

SATURDAY
10am
J Barnes
CHRISTMAS EVE
6.00pm
As instructed
10.30pm
As instructed

CHRISTMAS DAY
8am
O Kularatnam, A Loom
10.30am
As instructed
12 noon
E Walsh

CONFESSION
Saturdays after 10am Mass
and 7pm to 7.30pm.
Other times at request.

PASTORAL NOTES

ADVENT SONGS

The most famous of Advent hymns is 'O Come, O come, Emmanuel', expressing our longing for Christ's coming. It is based on 8th century daily antiphons in the prayer of the Church from 17th to 24th December, all beginning with 'O': O Wisdom, O Adonai (Old Testament name for God), O Root of Jesse (father of King David), O Key of David, O Rising Sun, O King of the Nations, O Emmanuel (God-with-us), - on Christmas Eve there is a song recalling the Rising Sun, coming forth like a Bridegroom to His people. The season of Advent, a season of preparation, appears in the Advent wreath and in the services of reconciliation which take place, and in quiet prayer. Our church is always open, but sadly rather cold at the moment! Fortunately, we can pray daily in our homes and hearts.

Readings for the week:	(Psalter Week 4)	
Monday 19 December	Feria – O Root of Jesse	Judges 13:2-7. 24-25; Luke 1:5-25
Tuesday 20 December	Feria – O Key of David	Isaiah 7:10-14; Luke 1:26-38
Wednesday 21 December	Feria – O Rising Sun	Song of Songs 2:8-14; Luke 1:39-45
Thursday 22 December	Feria – O King	1 Samuel 1:24-28; Luke 1:46-56
Friday 23 December	Feria – O Emmanuel	Malachi 3:1-4. 23-24; Luke 1:57-66
Saturday 24 December	Feria	2 Samuel 7:1-5. 8-11. 16; Luke 1:67-79
Sunday 25 December	The Nativity	Isaiah 9:1-7; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-14
	Midnight	Isaiah 62:11-12; Titus 3:4-7; Luke 2:15-20
	Dawn	Isaiah 52:7-10; Hebrews 1:1-6; John 1:1-18
	Day	

THIS SUNDAY

9.00am Service with Deacon Keith at Desborough.

NEXT SUNDAY

Masses at all churches on Christmas Day.

GENERAL NOTICES

St Edward's PTA Christmas Quiz – now available at the back of the Church – something to complete over the holidays. Entrance is £1 – completed entries should be returned to the school by 10th January 2012. Winning entry will receive a £20 Marks & Spencer voucher.

Christmas Gifts and Toys on sale after 10.30am Mass this Sunday at very reasonable prices for school funds.

SVP – Thank you for all goods and financial donations recently received. Thanks also to John McGrenaghan for his many years of service to the SVP, as he retires this month from the Conference.

St Edward's Christmas Page on the Website has links to Christmas art, colouring sheets and music on it in case parents want something for their children.

Churches Together in Kettering - Free Christmas Day Meal! Please see poster at the back of each Church.

Children's Mass – Christmas Eve 6.00pm at St Edward's Church. All children welcome with their families. We would like as many children as possible to come dressed as shepherds and angels, please. To avoid overcrowding, if you are not with children, please consider coming to one of the other Masses.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers Rota for Christmas and New Year up to 19th February. Please collect your copy now from the Sacristy. This gives plenty of time to find a replacement if your date given is not convenient.

31st St Edward's Brownies have some spaces for girls age 7-10. We meet every Thursday 6-7.30pm in the Church Hall and we always have lots of fun! If you are interested, speak to a leader after Church Parade, or phone Brown Owl on 07881 905298. Thank you.

Fairtrade: Come and have a look at the catalogues and goods after 10.30am Mass in the hall. Together we can make a difference.

A message from St Jude's:
"Firstly a big thank you for your continued support. I am writing today to ask for volunteers for our foodbank project. Would all people who feel called to donate an hour or two of their time in the New Year contact St Jude's and ask for Robert. We are currently coordinating a large effort to push the project forward and all support would be gratefully received. Thank you for your support.
St Judes. (stjudeskettering@gmail.com Tel: (01536) 415495)"

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Diocesan Youth Event: "lux.halo is the next in the series of weekends formerly known as 'lumos'. These weekends for young people aged 11-18 years old offer opportunities to have a laugh and meet new friends as well as learn more about the Catholic faith and what it means in our lives. When Pope Benedict visited Britain in September 2010, he told us that we could be saints. lux.halo is our chance to delve deeper into what we can do to be the saints of today. This is God's call to us. With workshops, activities, entertainments, music and prayer, lux.halo promises to be another fabulous weekend in this popular series. Leading us in our quest will be the incredible speaker, author and Dominican priest, Fr. Timothy Radcliffe. Fr. Timothy and the NYMO team will be leading us in inspirational talks and intimate prayer times. lux.halo is taking place on **3rd-5th February 2012** at Kings Park Conference Centre in Northampton and costs £85." For more info contact liz on 01844 273337 / liz@nymo.org Booking forms, adult-leader info, Code of Conduct and medical/consent forms are all available to at <http://www.nymo.org>. Ps. For anyone interested, our Ireson Fund could help with the cost!

CYMFED FLAME – National Youth Congress, Wembley Arena, 24th March 2012: "An event where thousands of young Catholics are invited to participate in an event which will offer them the very best of Catholic Youth Ministry in England and Wales: speakers – local and international – who will set their hearts on fire with messages of hope, faith, challenge, justice, and leadership in adversity; music which will be used back in schools and parishes to bring fresh animation and participation in liturgy; a dynamic atmosphere of joy and participation which happens when young people come together in such numbers and are well led, and completely engaged. All in all, Flame Congress will be an event to ignite young hearts and souls afresh with the joy of the Gospel message; it would be devastating for your young people to miss it! Early bookings will be cheaper, and seats booked early will be better – bookings are open now!"
See <http://cymfed.org/congress/flame/2012/> for more information.

Considering becoming a Catholic?

Know someone who might be or would like to look deeper? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a course designed for you to explore our faith further without obligation. Please phone Kettering 460909 for a chat to find out more or register your interest with Canon John.

TEA & COFFEE

is served every Sunday morning
at all of our Churches after 10.30 Mass.
Everyone welcome for a drink & chat!

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NEWSLETTER:

By hand to the priest, or by email to
newsletter@stedwardskettering.org.uk
Deadline is Wednesday each week