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26th Sunday of the Year

1st October 2023

MASS TIMES AT ST. EDWARD'S, KETTERING

- Tuesday - 10.00 am
- Wednesday - 10.00 am
- Thursday - 7.00 pm (*This evening Mass is with music on screen*)
- Friday - 7.00 pm
- Saturday Vigil Mass - 6.30 pm ***After Mass - confession on request***
- Sunday Early Mass - 8.30 am
- Sunday Family Mass - 10.30 am

MASS TIMES AT BURTON LATIMER

The 1st and 3rd Sunday of every month - 9.00 am

MASS TIMES AT DESBOROUGH

The 2nd and 4th Sunday of every month - 9.00 am

MASS TIMES AT ROTHWELL

The 1st and 3rd Sunday of every month - 12.15 pm

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For the 5th Sunday of the month, please check the newsletter

A man had two sons...



*He went and said to the first: “**My boy you go and work in the vineyard today**”. He answered, “**I will not go**”, but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, “**Certainly, sir**”, but did not go...*



Which of the two did the father's will?

THIS WEEK'S INTENTIONS



Saturday 06.30 pm - For the Parish

Sunday 08.30 am - Smitha / - Mairead Lamb (nee Walsh) RIP
09.00 am - / **Burton Latimer** / - For the Holy Souls
10.30 am - Augustina De Jesus / - Joseph RIP
12.15 pm - / **Rothwell** / - For the Parish

Monday Private Mass - Fr Henryk Zagórowicz RIP

Tuesday 09.30 am - *Exposition and Adoration*
10.00 am - Sister John Paul RIP /
- Margaret Anderson and the UCM

Wednesday 10.00 am - Phyllis Holland RIP

Thursday 07.00 pm - Anna Watts, who is very ill

Friday 06.00 pm - *First Friday Adoration and Benediction*
07.00 pm - Eileen Casey RIP

Saturday 06.30 pm - For the Holy Souls

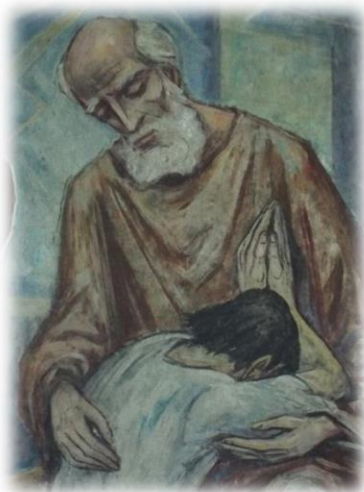
Sunday 08.30 am - For the Holy Souls
09.00 am - / **Desborough** / - For the Parish
10.30 am - Peace and progress in Ike's family.
God's guidance and protection on our children.

A 2nd collection for **Fr Ebin** as a *thank you* will take place this weekend.
A 2nd collection for **CAFOD Harvest Fast Day** will take place on **7th/8th October**.
A 2nd collection for **Mission Sunday - 'Missio'** will take place on the weekend of **21st/22nd October**.

To request a Mass Intention please send an email to:
parish.stedwardkettering@northamptondiocese.org

To respect people's wishes, there has usually been only one Mass Intention per Mass (This Intention might encompass even several people, but it will have been requested by one individual). There are occasional instances though, when there need to be two separate Intentions at a Mass. When this arises, I would be grateful for your understanding.

CONFESSIONS AT ST EDWARD'S



Confessions at St Edward's are on Saturdays after Vigil Mass which is at 6.30 pm.

You can always request confession before or after any weekday Mass.

*“The first step we must take to build the Kingdom of God on earth is to rediscover and appreciate the importance of the sacrament of confession, which will allow us appreciate the sacrament of the Eucharist. **We cannot appreciate the Eucharist while removing the sacrament of Confession from our spiritual life**”.*

- Fr Gregory

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED



In our prayers, let us remember our deceased parishioners, family members and friends. Let us especially remember those who have recently passed away.

+ Eileen Francis Reay - Her funeral will be at St Nicholas Owen Church
in Burton Latimer on **Friday, 6th October at 12 noon.**

Make me a channel of your peace: it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving to all that we receive, and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

SPIRITUAL BREATHING SPACE



A vast Ottoman navy was poised to invade Europe in 1571. The Christian forces had already suffered numerous defeats as the Ottomans expanded across the Mediterranean. Putting his support behind a coalition of naval forces, Pope Pius V called all Christendom to pray the Rosary. When the invading forces were overcome in [the Battle of Lepanto](#), it was attributed to the intercession of Mary and the feast of ***Our Lady of Victories*** was established in thanksgiving. Later renamed ***Our Lady of the Rosary***, it has become a permanent fixture on the Catholic calendar and is commemorated on October 7 as part of the month of the Holy Rosary.

When facing perilous circumstances, the Rosary is likened to a spiritual weapon. Indeed, images of Mary serenely crushing the head of the serpent under her foot is a common theme in Christian artwork. While the Battle of Lepanto was a literal war, there are many occasions where we face spiritual peril or opposition. This is especially true in our human relationships. Arguments and discord, rebellion and life-long disputes plague our relationships, causing hurt and trauma to all involved. Such division is never part of God's plan. We seek forgiveness (sometimes!) ... but we don't always do what we know we should – *how often do we step into the space of heartache and do the internal healing and external reconciling?*

The Rosary is a powerful way to bring peace into our hearts, homes and relationships. When it's a regular feature of our prayer, hardened hearts can soften and a sense of reverence for what we are about increases. The Rosary can help create a spiritual breathing space in our homes, a kind of holy ground where humility is our natural posture. There are many ways to pray the Rosary - [CathFamily](#) has some ideas for families and children. St Edward's will be praying the Rosary each weekday in October, starting 30 minutes before Masses.



OCTOBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY



We are approaching October which is the month of the Holy Rosary. We will pray the Rosary in our church on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. I would like the following organisations to lead that prayer for us:

Tuesday at 9.30 am - Legion of Mary and UCM

Wednesday at 9.30 am - Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

Thursday at 6.30 pm - **Rosary on screen**

Friday at 6.30 pm - Fr Gregory, Fr Elvis and Altar Servers

Rosary at Rothwell (St Bernadette's Church) is every **Thursday at 11 am**.

There is one more, new initiative how we can venerate the Queen of The Holy Rosary. Jesus said to Mary and St John on Calvary:

'Mother this is your son, Son this is your Mother'.

And from that moment John took her to himself.

Following the example of St John, the Apostle we would like to take Our Lady to our homes as well, and pray through her intercession. On the table (*next to the Sacred Heart*) there is a statue of Our Lady and a rosary blessed by Pope Francis. Each of us can take that statue and rosary for one evening and invite our family to pray the rosary together. You can cover your table with white cloth and light a candle if you wish. If you live alone, you can invite your friends. There will be a booking list on the table as well for those who are willing to take part in this initiative, so that we are sure that Our Lady will be in our homes. Please take the statue and rosary after a Mass and return both before the next. **October has 31 days, so please don't miss out this opportunity of having our Blessed Mother at your home, and pray the Rosary!**

THANK YOU, FR EBIN - WE WILL MISS YOU!

Fr Ebin's arrival in our parish over 2 years ago during Covid time. Bishop Joseph who brought Fr Ebin to Kettering is receiving flowers from the Syro-Malabar community.



Another photo of Fr Ebin's first day in our parish...



From left: Fr Gregory, Bishop Joseph and Fr Ebin over 2 years ago.

Shortly after Fr Ebin's arrival we went together with Bishop Joseph to show him Wicksteed park, and then we went with Fr Ebin to St Brendan's Parish for his first deanery meeting. As a parish community we have so many good memories of the past two years.



***Father God in heaven**, we come to you in prayer for **Fr Ebin**, as he departs from our parish. We understand he needs to go to where you are calling him to go. We all thank you Lord, for how you have used **Fr Ebin** here and what he means to us. We will miss him so much! We ask that you fill his heart and mind with good memories from his ministry here. We know you are guiding him and his ministry and you are preparing us for a new person as well. May we all, together, give you praise and thanks for the many blessings you have given to him, and us, during his caring ministry amongst us. We pray these things in the loving name of Jesus Christ, Amen.*

FATHER ELVIS HAS ARRIVED

Let us give Fr Elvis a warm St Edward's Parish welcome! May God shower him with grace as he does His work amongst us.



NEW DEAN FOR OUR PASTORAL AREA OF NORTH NORTHANTS



We congratulate
Canon Mark Floody,

Who recently moved from the Cathedral Parish to St Brendan's Parish in Corby,
on being appointed as our Dean.

Canon Mark is a very experienced priest who will support Bishop David and all the clergy in the north part of the diocese. May **St Luke the Evangelist**, who is the patron of our pastoral area, St Brendan who is the patron of his new parish, as well as his own patron, St Mark the Evangelist, support Canon Mark in his ministry that covers 10 towns, 9 parishes and 5 communities:

CORBY PARISHES: Our Lady of Walsingham, St John Ogilvie,
St Brendan, St Partick

KETTERING PARISH: St Edward's with its three communities at:

Burton Latimer - St Nicholas Owen

Desborough - Holy Trinity

Rothwell - St Bernadette

OUNCLE PARISH: Most Holy Name of Jesus

THRAPSTON PARISH: St Paul the Apostle

with its community at Raunds - St Thomas More

RUSHDEN PRAISH: St Paul

WELLINGBOROUGH PARISH: Our Lady of the Sacred Heart

with its community at Wellingborough - St Edmund Campion

NEW HEAD FOR ST EDWARD'S SCHOOL



We congratulate
Mrs Victoria Olsen

on becoming Head Teacher for St Edward's School.
We look forward to supporting Mrs Olsen in this most important role.

MEDAL OF ST STEPHEN FOR OUR ALTAR SERVERS



Next weekend our Servers will be gifted with medals of St Stephen.
St Stephen is the patron saint of Servers.
We congratulate them all for their important services on the Altar.

UCM ROSARY RALLY AND DAY OF PRAYER

Saturday, 14th October

Our Lady's and St. Lawrence
Mass starts at 10.00 am
39-41 West Street, Olney, MK46 5HH

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION



If you would like your child to be baptised, please contact Fr Gregory. Parents who would like their children to be baptised are invited to attend Baptismal Preparation on the first Monday of the month at **7 pm** at St Edward's Church. The next meeting will be on Monday, **2nd October 2023**.

COFFEE MORNINGS



The next **Wednesday Coffee Morning** will be run by the Children's Liturgy after 10.00 am Mass on **4th October**. This will be followed by the Soup Kitchen in November.

CAFOD NEWS



CAFOD Family Fast Day appeal - Harvest Collection at Masses this week

Dr Nasha's mobile medical clinic gets life-saving help to where it's needed most, fast – so when her team arrived in Meera's village in Pakistan after it had been destroyed by flooding, Meera rushed to the clinic to get her children the treatment they needed. Donate to CAFOD today so that more families can get the expert help they need. Use the envelope in church, the QR code or give online at cafod.org.uk

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM FATHER GREGORY ABOUT APPLICATIONS TO BISHOP STOPFORD SCHOOL



I am sure that parents are aware that on the application form there is a section about the church leader. When you fill this in, please come and see me at any time, before or after any Mass, with a photocopy of the form. I will then be able to keep a record of who is applying to the school and when they contact me with a list of applicants, it will be easy for me to check the names put forward. If I have not met someone, even very briefly, it is very hard for me to verify a name on the list. I would like to avoid confusion and disappointment at a later date. There is no need to make an appointment, a quick 'Hello Father' and a smile will do! *Fr Gregory*

HOSPITAL MINISTRY - RESTARTING



‘For I was sick and you looked after me’

Matthew 25

I am very pleased to say that our priestly ministry in the hospital will be supported by Eucharistic ministers who will be visiting all Catholic patients and offer them Holy Communion. Initially the Volunteers will go to the hospital every fortnight while the number of Volunteers grows. I will keep praying that more parishioners will come forward for this very important ministry. Please contact me if you are willing to help.

A Time For Listening



Continuing the Synodal listening
About the impact of Church-related abuse
And how we as a community respond



All are welcome
Holy Ghost Church
Parish Centre
Luton LU4 8JD

Saturday 14th October | 10.30am - 1.00pm

For further details please contact
safeguarding@northamptondiocese.org | 07833 050628

This event is being run by the Diocese of Northampton safeguarding office
in partnership with the office of the Synod

YOUTH INITIATIVES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE PARISH



Our Parish is very blessed with a number of groups and societies. However, most of them are for adults. So, we are thinking about establishing a youth group for children 12-17 years old. If you would like to get involved, please come forward to Fr Gregory. We are grateful to the Ireson family, who lived in our parish, for financial sponsorship of activities for the youth of our parish.

LUX

Our diocesan youth ministry office, NYMO has announced the dates of the next residential weekend for young people. 'Lux.dive' will take place from Friday 9th - Sunday **11th February 2024**. The weekend is open to all those in school years 7-13 and costs £125 pp (which is great value in today's inflated market!) visit <https://nymo.org/lux-dive/>

NYMO - FOR FUTURE REFERENCE



Event: Diocesan Day for Lay Catechists and Youth Ministers

Venue: St Thomas Centre, Northampton, NN2 6AG

Date: Saturday 21st October 2023

Time: 10 am to 5 pm

Cost: Suggested donation of £20.00

Event: Youth Mass with Bishop David

Venue: Our Lady Help of Christians,
52 Castle Street, Luton, LU1 3AG

Date: 22nd October 2023

Time: 5 pm - 7 pm.

HARVEST FESTIVAL 2023 - GALLERY





The church was beautifully decorated last weekend. Thank you, ladies. To everybody, thank you for your generosity. I spoke to Hilary and Frank last week and they mentioned how appreciative were their guests at the Soup Kitchen last year. I hope that they enjoyed their selection of fresh produce this year. May God bless all those who gave and all those, who received.

MASS FOR THOSE WITH DISABILITIES

Bishop David will be celebrating Mass for those with disabilities and additional needs, their families and their carers on Sunday, **October 8th in the Cathedral at 3 pm**, with refreshments in the St Thomas Centre afterwards.

HEALING GARDENS

The Northampton Male Voice Choir will be performing at Northampton Cathedral to raise funds for the Healing Garden. The garden, within the Cathedral grounds, is intended to provide a sanctuary for all in need of healing, with a particular focus on the needs of those hurt by abuse. Please join us for a fantastic evening of music and entertainment. The concert starts at 7.30 pm on Friday 20th October 2023. All are welcome to attend. Tickets cost £15 and be purchased by calling 01604 714556 online using <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/northamptoncathedral> or by visiting the Cathedral Parish Office within the St Thomas Centre.

JOIN US AT NORTHAMPTON CATHEDRAL
FOR AN EVENING WITH

NORTHAMPTON MALE VOICE CHOIR

FRIDAY
20TH OCTOBER
7:30PM



RAFFLE AND REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE ON THE NIGHT



NORTHAMPTON CATHEDRAL, PRIMROSE HILL, NN2 6AG



TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THE HEALING GARDEN



Tickets - £15

Available via ticketsource.co.uk/northamptoncathedral or scan the QR code

Tickets can also be purchased by calling 01604 714556
emailing parish.cathedralhub@northamptondiocese.org
or in person from the St Thomas Centre



**NORTHAMPTON MALE
VOICE CHOIR**

Singers united in friendship & harmony





Healing and Reconciliation Group



Our Purpose

The Healing & Reconciliation group, is a sub group of the Northampton Safeguarding Advisory Board and wishes to reach out to those who have been impacted through abuse by members of our Church in order to provide a voice for victims and survivors.

We Aim To...

Promote and facilitate healing and reconciliation.

Provide a safe environment for those seeking comfort and healing from spiritual, emotional and other forms of abuse.

Raise greater awareness of abuse and increase understanding of it's impact.

Projects So Far



A Time To Listen

Opportunities have been offered for anyone affected by abuse to speak with our Bishop in a safe and non judgemental environment.



Towards Healing & Reconciliation

The group helped to plan and deliver a Mass dedicated to victims and survivors of any form of abuse, their families, supporters and those affected.



National Days Of Prayer

We have promoted and participated in these days, which have included the input of survivors.



Healing Garden

Designed and built as a place of sanctuary for survivors of abuse and all those in need of healing.

The Healing Garden, created in the grounds of Northampton Cathedral, NN2 6AG is an ongoing project and open to all.



Join Us On our Journey

We would very much welcome people with lived experience of abuse to consider joining us in our endeavour.

We value your insight and would like to be able to listen, hear and act upon your advice to help improve our response to those who have been hurt by abuse.

We will be sensitive to those we speak with and not presume to know what they can offer.



The Healing Garden at Northampton Cathedral

There is a need and duty for us to listen to those who have been hurt by abuse and are suffering. It is humbling for me as the Bishop to listen to victims and survivors. We know the devastation which abuse has on someone's life.

Bishop David Oakley



It is the policy of the Catholic Church in England and Wales to report all allegations of abuse to statutory authorities, regardless of whether the abuse occurred recently or in the past, or whether the accused person is living or deceased.

Contact Us

If you think that you might be able to help us in our work, whether as a group member or less formally as an advisor, then please contact our friendly team.

✉ safeguarding@northamptondiocese.org

🌐 www.northamptondiocese.org/safeguarding

☎ 01604 723514

📍 Bishop's House, Marriott Street, Northampton, NN2 6AW



Safe Spaces is a free and independent support service, operated by First Light, providing a confidential, and safe space for anyone who has been abused through their relationship with either the Church of England or the Catholic Church in England and Wales. If you have been affected, however long ago, Safe Spaces can provide you with support.

Ways to make contact

0300 303 1056
safespaces@firstlight.org.uk
safespacesenglandandwales.org.uk

PACT

Pact (Prison Advice & Care Trust) invites you to join them at a free online Just People Workshop on Wednesday 25th October, 9.00 am - 1 pm. Discern the Lord's call to social justice as we join together to promote the Common Good in our communities, reflecting upon Scripture and Catholic Social Teaching through the lens of people affected by imprisonment. All are welcome. Register here: <https://bit.ly/3y7eK77>

OUR PARISH WEBSITE



If you know anyone who could help with the parish website, I would very much appreciate it. Please contact Fr Gregory.

A PLACE OF CALM



Dear Parents of our youngest children, we realise how difficult it is for you when your children get 'lively' or 'upset'. Therefore, we invite you to take them upstairs to the organ loft, which is above the sacristy. It is a safe place with a triple sound-proof window overlooking the altar. There is a speaker up there, so you will be able to take an active part in the Mass and your children will become calm and comfortable. Please take care on the stone steps.

St Thomas More Catholic Primary School



If your child turns 4 before 31st August 2024; you are warmly invited to come and have a look around our school.

Reception 2024 School Tours

Wednesday 11th October: from 9.15am to 12pm

Saturday 14th October: from 9am to 3pm

Wednesday 15th November: from 9.15am to 12pm

Saturday 18th November: from 9am to 3pm

**To book a slot, please contact our Office -
Phone: 01536 512112**



This is a Good School
OFSTED 2023

DIOCESAN E-NEWS

The diocesan e-newsletter will be sent out fortnightly from September (now). We hope this is an effective way of sharing opportunities and news from our diocese. Please could you promote the communication to your parishioners? The sign-up can be found here <https://northamptondiocese.org/#signup>

CHURCH CHOIR



The Church Choir meets for a practice **every Tuesday at 7.30 pm** in the church. If you are interested in joining, please come along.

PLANNING YOUR WEDDING



If you are planning to get married abroad or at St Edward's Church, you must give us at least six months' notice. This is to ensure that all the preparation that couples are required to do, and the pre-marriage courses are completed along with the necessary paperwork. You are always welcome to approach me after any Mass, so that you can begin making wedding plans.

OUR CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOLS

St Edward's Church is linked to 2 local primary schools: St Edward's and St Thomas More. Both schools work closely together and provide our Catholic children with a good education both academically and spiritually. If you would like to visit either of our schools please contact their school offices -

St Edward's - seppoffice@st-luke-at.co.uk or 01536 481430

St Thomas More - Office@stm.ket.olicatschools.org or 01536 512112

ST EDWARD'S PARISH FACEBOOK GROUP



The Parish of St. Edward, RC Church, Kettering.

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

St. Nicholas Owen Catholic Church - Burton Latimer.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/809856073037388/>

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.stedwardkettering@northamptondiocese.org with your name and phone number (and if you are recommending anybody else to receive such calls, their name and phone number) parish.stedwardkettering@northamptondiocese.org 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/>

A list of free food outlets in Kettering (updated March, 2022):

<http://www.stedwardskettering.org.uk/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Kettering-Food-Outlets-Virus-Update-no32.pdf>

Mary's Meals <https://youtu.be/llqBIXrVJzw> / **Right to Life** <https://righttolife.org.uk>

Redundancy Coaching <http://www.vitaeopus.co.uk> provides free online information and advice about Job Hunting, Self-Employment and Active Retirement for Parishioners adversely affected workwise by the pandemic. Please pass the link on to anyone who may find it useful.

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Please have a look at this page from the Northampton Diocese website: [Northampton Diocese Resources](#) which gives further information and contact details.

Safe Spaces is an independent and confidential support service for adults who have been abused by someone in the Church. Please see parish noticeboards for further details.

WEEKLY/MONTHLY DONATIONS



If there are any Parishioners who would like to join the weekly box system / gift aid scheme, then please do let us know by completing a form, available from the porch table and putting it on the collection plate or through the Presbytery letterbox. To those who already donate through the Gift Aid Scheme, please be reminded that if your tax situation has changed or you have moved house, then please let us know.

There are several other ways of donating as follows;

- **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.

- **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** - 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). You can make a one-off donation 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.

Thank you for any help you can give.

YOUR LEGACY

Your Legacy - Invest in the future of your parish and our Diocese. Gifts in your Will are a memorable and lasting way you can continue to support the Church's ministry and mission and help meet the needs of future generations. Please consider gifts to the Church and Catholic charities next time you update your Will. For more information, pick up a bookmark; contact your parish office, alternatively, go to www.northamptondiocese.org/your-legacy or contact Brian Emmanuel on 01604 600337 or brian.emmanuel@northamptondiocese.org
