



**Sacred Heart Parish
and
Diocesan Shrine & Parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour**



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13th April/14th April 2024

Third Sunday of Easter

Saturday	OL	9.30am		Mavis Midgeley-Bryan R.I.P.
	SH	5.30pm	Third Sunday of Easter Year B	Mary & Patrick McNulty R.I.P.
Sunday 14th April	OL	9.15am		People of the parishes
	SH	10.30am		Davidson Barreau R.I.P. (Anniversary)
Monday	SH	9.30am		Mary Stanton R.I.P.
Tuesday	OL	9.30am		Carlos & Jean Munoz Rodriguez (Foundation Mass)
Wednesday	SH	9.30am		Linda Lord and Harry & Mavis Brophy
Thursday	OL	9.30am		Patricia & Gerard Green (Foundation Mass)
Friday	SH	9.30am		Eugene Gatens R.I.P.
Saturday	OL	9.30am	Fourth Sunday of Easter Year B	People of the parishes
	SH	5.30pm		Sr. Marie Therese (Int)
Sunday 21st April	OL	9.15am		John Cooney R.I.P.
	SH	10.30am		David & Sandra Smith (50 th Wedding Anniversary)

Confessions. Confessions will be on Saturdays, at Our Lady's from 10am-10.30am and at Sacred Heart from 4.45pm-5.15pm.

Events at our churches. Our Lady's: Tuesdays 1-2pm: Parish Prayer Time.

Wednesdays from 2pm - 3pm: Rosary & Exposition.

Thursdays 1-2pm: Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour.

Saturdays after 9.30am Mass – 11am: Exposition.

Daily 9am before Mass (except Sunday): Rosary.

Sacred Heart: Exposition: Saturdays from 4.45pm - 5.15pm and Mondays after 9.30am Mass – 11am.

The Net Charismatic Prayer Group: first and third Wednesday of the month 7.30pm - 9pm.

Anniversaries: Ellen Carpenter, Bridget Campbell, Sarah Vickers, Anne-Marie Carnell, Florence Shaw, Davidson Barreau, Kathleen Weedon, Kathleen Bishop, Brian Smith, Edna O'Malley, Jozef Nowak, Olive Vickery, Mary Mulvenna, Cecelia Jenkins, Shirley Mahoney, Robert Butler, Caroline Davis. **R.I.P.**

Please pray for all our recently deceased. Oliver Hilliard & Margeret Gleeson.

Please pray for all our sick.

Pope Francis' Special Intention. We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognised in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

Help for our readers. Available at back of both churches, are notes for the readers.

Tea & Coffee at Sacred Heart. Refreshments after 10.30am Mass continues every Sunday in the church hall. Everyone is very welcome to come along and join in with coffee, cake and chat. Please note that there will not be refreshments on Sunday 21st April because the SVP will be preparing the hall for the Senior's Party.

Sacred Heart SVP Community Pop-in. Every Thursday, 10am – 2pm. Pop in for a chat, a cup of tea or something to eat. Why not come and join us?

Thank you from Missio. Thank you to our very generous parishioners who continue to donate through the Ref Boxes and directly to Missio. In 2023, Sacred Heart parish raised £805.48 and Our Lady's parish raised £1108.52. Our missionary community here is part of a worldwide network of people supporting missionaries overseas through prayer and financial assistance. Visit www.missio.org.uk to find out more.

Senior's Party. Our annual SVP Senior's (over 60s) Party will take place on Sunday 21st April from 3pm - 6pm in the Sacred Heart Church Hall. If you would like to come along, please sign the sheet in the church porch. If you require transport and if you require a vegetarian option, please indicate on the sheet. The meal, drink, music and good company are all provided free. Donations are accepted but not expected. Music by "The Last Resort".

Our Lady's Confirmation Programme. Dates for April and May: Friday 19th April 5-6pm - tour of Northampton Cathedral, Saturday 27th April 9.30-11.30am - compulsory preparation session at St Gregory's Church Hall, Sunday 5th May 10.10-10.45am - Session 5 at Our Lady's (after Mass), Saturday 11th May 9.30-11.30am - compulsory preparation session at St Gregory's Church Hall, Sunday 19th May 10.10-10.45am - Session 6 at Our Lady's (after Mass). Remember to check the rota for when you are helping out with the Sunday Mass Collection at Our Lady's. Check emails for Programme details and get in touch if you have any queries. Thanks!
Miriam.

Sacred Heart Confirmation classes. The next time to meet is on Friday 19th April 5-6pm for a tour of Northampton Cathedral. The compulsory preparation sessions are on Saturdays 27th April, 11th May, 8th May from 9.30-11.30am.

Northampton Diocese – Life in the Spirit Seminars. These began on Tuesday 16th April and are running for 6 weeks including a retreat day on 18th May, Life In The Spirit Seminars are designed for anyone looking to know more about life in the Spirit of God. The seminars are free to attend and can be joined at Northampton Cathedral or one of the 'hub' venues in Milton Keynes, Luton, Slough, Bedford, Corby or Aylesbury. For more information visit <https://northamptondiocese.org/life-in-the-spirit-seminars-2024/>

Flower arranging. We are excited to restart the flower arranging course this spring on 26th April, 17th and 31st May, 14th June, 12th July. Costs are £20 per person for the whole course. Space is limited, so please email the parish office as soon as possible if you would like to book your spot. *Thanks, Margaret.*

Pro Life Chain – Saturday 27th April. On Saturday 27th April SPUC Northampton is holding a Pro-Life Chain on St Peters Way, Northampton. This act of silent witness is to remember the millions of lives lost to abortion since the Abortion Act 1967. It will take place between 11am and 1pm. Please consider joining us at this important event. We will stand together to proclaim the pro-life message. Abortion is a tragedy for babies, Mothers, Fathers, and society as whole. We have a moral duty to speak out against the horror of abortion. If you can join us or want more information, then please contact William on 07393965643 (text is fine) or wpcurrie@btinternet.com Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Parish Musicians. Our diocesan liturgy commission music section will host a day for singers, choirs and instrumentalists on Saturday 11th May at Thomas Becket Catholic School in Northampton. The cost is £10 for adults and free for those under 18's (who must be accompanied by an adult.) Bookings and more information here <https://northamptondiocese.org/courses/diocesan-music-day/>

Thomas Becket leavers class of 1980. We are holding a reunion at the Vocal club on Bailiff St, Northampton on Saturday 20th July from 8pm. Tickets are now available online for £10 from Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/thomas-becket-class-of-1980-60th-birthday-reunion-tickets-844653560537>

Safeguarding. Within our diocesan safeguarding structures, the healing and reconciliation group is focussed entirely on representing the voice of survivors and reaching out to those who have been hurt by abuse. As a diocese we are particularly keen to encourage membership from those who have lived experience of abuse. 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. To make further enquiries please contact safeguarding office on 01604 723514 or safeguarding@northamptondiocese.org

A Time to Listen. "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 (January 2023).* Bishop David Oakley is available to meet with anyone affected by abuse, as a victim, survivor, their families or supporters, where private discussions can take place in a safe and non-judgmental environment. Bishop David ensures that he is able to meet with people affected by abuse on a bi-monthly basis or more frequently, depending on your request and can be accessed through our safeguarding office on 01604 723514 or safeguarding@northamptondiocese.org

Diocesan Pilgrimages. As we prepare for the Jubilee year in 2025 as 'Pilgrims of Hope' you are invited to join our diocese on pilgrimage. There are plenty to choose from including the Shrines of Northern France in October 2024, Lourdes in August 2024, Walsingham in June 2024 and Rome and Assisi in 2025. For more information on these pilgrimages and our diocesan walking pilgrimage, 'The Way of Our Lady of Guadalupe' visit: <https://northamptondiocese.org/pilgrimage/>

Parish registration. We will soon be using a new computer system to help us manage our parish better. It starts with us making sure that we have up to date contact information for all our parishioners and so we would be grateful if you could complete the registration form by scanning the relevant QR code below or by typing the relevant link into your browser. If you don't have an email address, please speak to Lorraine in the parish office who can complete the form on your behalf.

