



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



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**2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> March 2024**

**Third Sunday of Lent**

Saturday	OL	9.30am	Third Sunday of Lent Year B	De Bless family (Foundation Mass)
	SH	5.30pm		Thomas Cooke R.I.P.
<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March</b>	OL	9.15am		Mary & Joe McDonnell R.I.P.
	SH	10.30am		Aley Varkey R.I.P.
Monday	SH	9.30am		Angela Tidbury R.I.P.
Tuesday	OL	9.30am		William & Mary Weston (Foundation Mass)
Wednesday	SH	9.30am		John Flattery R.I.P.; Noel Gleeson (Int)
Thursday	OL	9.30am		Fr. Damien Walne R.I.P. (Anniversary)
Friday	SH	9.30am		Francesca Trezise R.I.P. (Anniversary)
Saturday	OL	9.30am	Fourth Sunday of Lent Year B	Margaret McClean (Foundation Mass)
	SH	5.30pm		Noreen Kelly R.I.P.
<b>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March</b>	OL	9.15am		People of the parishes
	SH	10.30am		Mikolaj & Wanda Galan (Foundation Mass)

**Stations of the Cross.** During Lent Stations of the Cross will be celebrated at the Sacred Heart Church on Fridays at 6.15pm. They will also be celebrated at Our Lady's, Great Billing on Sundays at 8.40am.

**Day of prayer.** Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March is a special day of prayer across the country for peace in the Holy Land. The Stations of the Cross that evening at 6.15pm will be a part of that prayer.

**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 – 12noon: Exposition.

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

**Sacred Heart:** Exposition: Saturdays from 4.45pm - 5.15pm and Wednesdays 1.30pm – 3.30pm.

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

**Anniversaries:** Frank Smith, Peter Dellor, Ian Venables, Vivienne Chute, Phyllis McGirr, Kathleen Woolford, Fred Aberneithie, Beryl Finn, Danny Halse, Annie Noone, Rachael Ayodele, Francesca Trezise, Kerry Barber, Beatrice Burke, James Darlington, Eileen Harris, Cecilia Manchester, Muriel Harris, Jimmy Clancy, Eileen Cleary, Henry Noone. **R.I.P.**

**Please pray for all our recently deceased.** Angela Tidbury, Joe Golton, Leo, Patrick Cullen, John Pacheco & Paul Easton.

**Please pray for all our sick.**

**Pope Francis' Special Intention.** We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

**Thank you for giving to CAFOD's Family Fast Day appeal.** Your generous donations given in love, will support families around the world and help them with the resources to feed their families for good. You can still donate online [www.cafod.org.uk](http://www.cafod.org.uk)

**Next weekend's retiring collection:** The Spiritans Mission.

**Employment help.** A lovely member of the African community within our parish is looking for employment and if any of our parishioners has job opportunities, please contact Lorraine in the parish office.

**Help needed.** The SVP supporting a family which needs a stair gate. If you can help please leave a message on 075044 65707.

**Children's Liturgy at Sacred Heart Church.** The dates for Children's Liturgy are as follows: 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> March. Please note, this is aimed at children from the age of 4 until they are 8 or have made their First Holy Communion.

**Spring Cleaning at Sacred Heart.** Please come and help with Spring Cleaning the hall ready for Easter on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March from 10am until 12noon, including litter picking outside and sweeping up leaves by the presbytery door.

**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.

**Sacred Heart SVP Community Pop-in.** Every Thursday, 10.30am – 2pm. Pop in for a chat, a cup of tea or something to eat. Why not come and join us?

**Our Lady's Confirmation Classes 2024.** Registration has now closed. The first class will be this Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March at Our Lady's after the 9.15am Mass. Classes continue through March on Sundays 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Sacred Heart Confirmation Course January 2024.** From January there will be taster service sessions (Jan -March) and any young people who wish to register for Confirmation, can do so at the Sunday sessions. All of these will take place at St. Gregory's Church:  
Meet and Greet congregation: 8.30am Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March,  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March: Good Friday event at church 10am – 12pm,  
Cathedral tour: 19<sup>th</sup> April 5pm.  
There are three compulsory theory dates: 27<sup>th</sup> April, 11<sup>th</sup> May, 8<sup>th</sup> June.  
If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact Lorraine in the parish office.

**Thank you!** A huge thank you to the parishioners of The Sacred Heart and Our Lady's on behalf of the 28 students from TBCS who attend Lux and had the most incredible experience. Many of them would not have attended without the parish support.

**Thomas Becket Catholic School Performance.** Join us at TBCS as our students perform Disney's Frozen The Musical Jr. on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March - Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March at Thomas Becket Catholic School, Becket Way, Kettering Road North, Northampton, NN3 6HT. Tickets are £5 and can be booked online: <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/events/landing/53189?>

**Light up Lent: 29<sup>th</sup> Feb – 7<sup>th</sup> March.** Light Up Lent is our diocesan Week of Accompanied Prayer, a retreat in everyday life. Begin or deepen your prayer life, get to know the Scriptures better, and above all, grow in faith and in love for the Lord who loves you. With one-to-one support each day for a week, via Zoom, from an experienced prayer guide. Find out more: <https://pastoralministryoffice.org/event/lightuplent/>

**BCCT Lent Walk.** Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March at 10.45am. A walk visiting all the Billing Churches, with coffee and conversation as well as Lent Reflections plus a Bread & Soup Lunch. Join the walk or meet at any of the churches on the way. See poster and flyers for details, or phone 01604 406200. Organised by Billing Covenanted Churches Together.

**CAFOD's Big Lent Walk!** This Lent Thomas Becket Catholic School is supporting CAFOD and joining other schools around the country to help fight poverty around the world. We are inviting our students to join us in collectively walking 1000km towards raising £1000. This will take place on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March, during Holy week. Please pray for us. We have chosen to support CAFOD as a way for our pupils to put their faith into action. By raising money together, we will be supporting those in greatest need around the world and living out the mission of our school. We would love parishioners in our surrounding parishes to support this great fundraising effort too. We have set up a 'Giving Page' through CAFOD. If you would like to donate to this cause, please follow the link. <https://schools.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/thomas-becket-fundraising-page> Every single £1 will make a difference to the fight against poverty! Thank you for your support.

**Northampton Diocese – Life in the Spirit Seminars.** 16<sup>th</sup> April – 21<sup>st</sup> May. The Seminars are being run by the Diocesan Catholic Charismatic Renewal team and comprise a series of talks and discussions supported by short daily reflections. There are two options for joining the Seminars – in person at the Cathedral and in person at one of the Hub locations around the diocese. There are five weekday sessions and a half-day retreat at the Cathedral on Pentecost. At the Cathedral and at each hub, the weekday sessions are on Tuesdays (16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> April and 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> May) with refreshments at 6.30pm and the seminar starting at 7pm prompt. The Holy Spirit day will take place on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 2pm followed by vigil mass at 6pm. For further information, links to register and a short video from Bishop David can be found here: <https://northamptondiocese.org/life-in-the-spirit-seminars-2024/>

**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](mailto:safeguarding@northamptondiocese.org)

**Thomas Becket leavers class of 1980.** We are holding a reunion at the Vocal club on Bailiff St, Northampton on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> 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>