



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



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Sacred Heart = SH
Our Lady's = OL

17th/18th May 2025

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Saturday	OL	9.30am		Roli Akele R.I.P.
	SH	5.30pm	Fifth Sunday of Easter Year C	Denise Arnold (Int)
Sunday	OL	9.15am		Olga Dalrymple-Wilson (Foundation Mass)
18th May	SH	10.30am		Christine Mason R.I.P.
Monday	SH	9.30am		Bridie & Chris Rynne R.I.P.
Tuesday	OL	9.30am		Ralph & Joyce Burgess (Foundation Mass)
Wednesday	SH	9.30am		Tony O'Connor R.I.P. (Anniversary); Fran Duffus R.I.P.
Thursday	OL	9.30am		Alan & Christine Breed (Foundation Mass)
Friday	SH	9.30am		Carole Davidson R.I.P.
Saturday	OL	9.30am	Sixth Sunday of Easter Year C	Fran Duffus R.I.P.
	SH	5.30pm		Mark Cooke R.I.P.
Sunday	OL	9.15am		William & Mary Weston (Foundation Mass)
25th May	SH	10.30am		Davidson Barreau R.I.P.

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. 7.30pm: Divine Will prayer group. 1st Thursday of the month is via Zoom.

Saturdays after 9.30am Mass – 12noon: Exposition.

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

Sacred Heart: Exposition: Saturdays from 4.45pm - 5.15pm. Mondays 10-11am – except Bank Holidays.

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

Anniversaries: Jerome O'Donovan, Gunther Kaiser, Mick Mahoney, Miguel Penlaver, Flore Drummond, Mary Newman, Bridie Hall Louise Bowes, Bina Palmer, Rose Coleman, Elizabeth Saward, David Wallace, George Gallard, Philip Bradley, Claire Smyth, Martyn Keegan, Jolanda Mendez. **R.I.P.**

Please pray for all our recently deceased. Chris McDermott, Becky Whatley.

Please pray for all our sick.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention. For working conditions. Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfilment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.

This week's retiring collection.: Diocesan Bishop's Fund.

Next week's retiring collection. Healing Garden at the Cathedral.

Pastoral Area Council Retreat Day. Saturday 7th June, 10am to 3pm in the hall at the Sacred Heart Church. I strongly urge those from the Sacred Heart who attend the parish meetings after the 10.30am Mass to attend. I also strongly encourage those from Our Lady's who would like to establish a parish council/forum to attend. The day will include members of other local parishes. It will be led by Avril Baigent. Drinks will be provided. Participants are asked to bring their own packed lunches. The day will focus on ways to work together. *Please let Lorraine or Fr Brendan know if you are attending.*

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 (Warm Spaces). Every Thursday, 10.30am – 2pm. Pop in for a chat, a cup of tea or something to eat. Why not come and join us?

Confirmation Classes 2025. Our next Parish Confirmation preparation class for young people is this Sunday 18th May at Our Lady's after the 9.15am Mass. Please note the update to the session on Saturday 24th May. It will be held at the Sacred Heart Church Hall at 9.30-11.30am. If you have any queries, please see Miriam after Mass at Our Lady's or email confirmationsacredheartwf@gmail.com.

National Day of Prayer for victims and survivors of abuse. Tuesday 20th May. This year's focus is on the theme of "The Empty Chair". Many of us are saddened by reducing numbers in our churches. This is happening for a wide variety of reasons, but our thoughts are on those who are not there because they have suffered abuse in a church setting and cannot face being here. They may be the families or friends of survivors. They may be former members of a community affected by allegations or convictions for abuse. They may be people who are simply so disgusted or ashamed by what they have heard about abuse within the Church that they no longer want to be part of it. All these groups and others are represented by "The Empty Chair".

As part of our diocesan desire to reach out to those who have been hurt by abuse in a sensitive and meaningful way, our diocesan safeguarding team, the Hope Centre and our healing and reconciliation group have designed and created a garden on the grounds of our Cathedral. Next week's retiring collection is for the healing garden.

Vacancy - School Office Administrator. St. Gregory's School are seeking a highly committed and passionate School Office Administrator to provide effective support to the school's administrative system. Permanent and Part-Time position. £24,404.00 - £24,404.00 Annually (FTE). This role will be paid pro rata, 38 hours per week, in 12 monthly instalments, the salary quoted is the full time equivalent. Closing date: 12noon Monday 19th May. Job start: ASAP. For further information and to apply: <https://mynewterm.com/jobs/142733/EDV-2025-SGCPS-38707>

Flower arranging course. We are excited to restart the flower arranging course this summer from 10am-12noon on 23rd May, 20th June, 11th July, 25th July and 8th August. 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. Please note, you should avoid parking in front of or opposite the garages

Considering the Diaconate? Are you feeling called to serve in a deeper way? Come and learn about the ministry of the Permanent Diaconate in our diocese at an Information Morning on Saturday 31st May 10am-12pm at St. Mary's Parish, 82 West St., Dunstable. This is a great opportunity to explore the vocation of a deacon, ask questions, and discern if God is calling you to this ministry. For more information, contact Fr. Tony Brennan at 01582 662710 or franthony.brennan@northamptondiocese.org.

Parish pilgrimage. Wintershall on Saturday 21st June 2025. The Pilgrimage is intended for the whole Parish Community and the desire is that everyone should be able to attend should they wish to do so. We have a 53-seater coach booked and places will be given on a first come first served basis. Any donations, cash or cheque, should be placed in an envelope marked WINTERSHALL, and either placed in the collection basket or posted through the presbytery letterbox. You do not need to put your name if you would prefer the donation to be anonymous. Cheques should be made payable to Sacred Heart Parish, Northampton.

Chris Atkin is running the Great Manchester Run for CAFOD – please support. I've been a schools volunteer for CAFOD for ten years – known as 'CAFOD CHRIS' to the Primary school children in the ten local Catholic schools I visit. We walked the Great Lent Walk to raise money to help those in the poorest countries of the World. I'm running The Great Manchester Run in solidarity with the children to also raise money for CAFOD. Please donate on my just giving page: <https://www.justgiving.com/page/christopher-atkin-11>

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham. This year our diocesan pilgrimage to Walsingham takes place on Saturday 14th June. The pilgrimage will begin with Mass at the Basilica in the Catholic Shrine at midday followed by lunch and at 3pm pilgrims process from the Shrine, on the holy mile to the Abbey Grounds for the final service. Parish groups are welcome to attend and encouraged to bring parish banners with them for the procession. All are welcome.

Jubilee Tour to Westport, Knock & Co. Mayo, 8th June 2025. Guest Speaker: Marion Carroll, who was cured at Knock. £799pps. Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 4 nights in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Museum of Country Life. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

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* Bishop David 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. These meetings can be arranged at a location of your choice and you are also welcome to be accompanied by a support person. Contact Danielle, our Safeguarding Coordinator on 01604 723514 or safeguarding@northamptondiocese.org Support is offered before, during and after appointments.

Parish Registration: We no longer hold any data in our parishes unless it is held within CASPAR. Therefore, we are asking all parishioners to follow the link or QR code (scan with your phone's camera) and sign up. Please note, if you would like to receive the newsletter by email on Fridays, you must register for CASPAR.

Our Lady's: www.caspar.church/me?ID=56012

Sacred Heart: www.caspar.church/me?ID=56062

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