



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



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7th/8th December 2024

Second Sunday of Advent

Saturday	OL	9.30am	St. Ambrose <i>Followed by 24hr Exposition</i>	People of the parishes
	SH	5.30pm	Second Sunday of Advent Year C	Kathleen Connors R.I.P.
Sunday 8th Dec.	OL	9.15am		Helen Jones R.I.P.
	SH	10.30am		Sabina Hyland R.I.P.
Monday	SH	9.30am	Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception of the B.V.M.	Martin McEvilly R.I.P.
Tuesday	OL	9.30am		Ena Mathura R.I.P. (Foundation Masses)
Wednesday	SH	9.30am		Henry Holtz R.I.P.
Thursday	OL	9.30am		People of the parishes
Friday	SH	9.30am	St. Lucy	Ena Flattery R.I.P.
Saturday	OL	9.30am	St. John of the Cross	J. Paul (Birthday)
	SH	5.30pm	Third Sunday of Advent Year C	Maureen & Frank Malone (Foundation Mass)
Sunday 15th Dec.	OL	9.15am		Mel & Mary Rosen R.I.P.
	SH	10.30am		Mel & Mary Rosen R.I.P.

Please note our Christmas Mass times. All Masses in both parishes will be child friendly. At The Sacred Heart, Weston Favell:

Tuesday 24th: 5.30pm Children's Christmas Vigil Mass and 10pm Vigil Mass;

Wednesday 25th: 10.30am Christmas Day Mass.

At Our Lady's, Great Billing:

Tuesday 24th: 8pm Vigil Mass and Wednesday 25th 9.15am Christmas Day Mass.

Confessions. Confessions are 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. 7pm: 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 and Mondays 10am – 11am.

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

Anniversaries: Tony Ahmed, James Kelly, Eric Tyler, Freddie Craffy, Sabina Hyland, Richard Jones, Michael Tully, Nora Day, Stan Mason, Martin McGinn, John-Paul Stokes, Connor McGuinness, Sandra Cooke, John Deinne, Mary Gallagher, Thomas Keaney, Catherine Geary. **R.I.P.**

Please pray for all our recently deceased. Henry Holtz, Doreen Smith, Angela Arrowsmith, Helen Jones, Carmel Newton, Andrew Langer.

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.

Help needed. We have two separate families who are in desperate need of accommodation. Both are reliable tenants. Minimum of two bedrooms required. Please contact Lorraine in the parish office if you are able to help.

Helen Jones R.I.P. The funeral of the late Helen Jones will be on Tuesday 17th December at 11.30am at Our Lady's Church. Please keep Andrew and family in your prayers.

Flowers for Christmas at Our Lady's. If you would like to contribute to the flowers this Christmas, you can either buy a Poinsettia (large or small) or make a donation. Please speak to Gillian or Elizabeth.

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?

Christmas Giving Trees in Sacred Heart and Our Lady's. Once again, this year, the SVP have decided to give the families they help, gift vouchers to enable them to purchase their own Christmas groceries. To enable us to buy these vouchers, and for any other needs that families may have in the coming months, we are asking parishioners for financial donations. There will be several ways to donate:

- Donation envelopes (with Gift Aid form should you wish), will be hung from the Giving Trees. Envelopes can be returned, under either tree, where they will be collected after each mass.
- Online donations (Account name: SVP Sacred Heart Northampton. Account No. 46083383. Sort Code 60-60-04). Should you wish to Gift Aid online donations, Gift Aid forms will be available under the trees and at the back of the churches.

As in previous years, the children will not be forgotten! One of our members has again been sourcing toys and gifts for them throughout the year. The trees will be in the churches from Friday 22nd November to Friday 13th December. Thank you so much for your generosity in the past.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast Day Mass. Thursday 12th December at 7.30pm St Joseph's, Bedford. Preceded by rosary at 7pm and very good refreshments to follow! All welcome.

Advent on-line retreat. Doorways of Grace, week 3, with Canon John Udris and Avril Baigent. In preparation for the Jubilee Year, we begin by opening our third Holy Door and encountering St. Paul the missionary. How will we meet Jesus in our lives this Advent? Find out more and register here: <https://northamptondiocese.org/doorways>.

Flower arranging course. The flower arranging course continues from 10am-12noon meets for the final time this year on 13th December. Please note, you should avoid parking in front of or opposite the garages.

Cafe-style Carol Service. Methodist Chapel on Sunday 22nd December at 3pm. All are welcome.

Divine Will prayer group. The Divine Will prayer group will take place via zoom on the first Thursday of every month at 7pm. The remaining Thursdays of the month it will be at Our Lady's in Great Billing at 7pm. All are welcome. To join the zoom meeting please message Mark on 07724 337196.

Alpha course. Billing Covenanted Churches Together will be running an Alpha course in the spring which aims to introduce the basics of the Christian faith through a series of talks and discussions. Wednesday evenings 7pm to 8.45pm from 22nd January to 26th February 2025 at Great Billing Methodist Chapel, High Street, NN3 9DT. Dessert and refreshments provided. For further information, contact: bcttsec@gmail.com

Caritas Northampton. 'Where we are in our pastoral care'. You are invited to join us for a presentation and discussion on social outreach and social needs within our area. With Brian Emmanuel at St. Gregory's parish. Session on is on 20th January at 7.30pm and the second session will be on 17th February at 7.30pm. Refreshments will be provided. Entry is free however seats are limited, please contact Lorraine at the Sacred Heart parish office to book your place early.

Changes to Safeguarding processes. As a Church we have a responsibility to ensure that all those who undertake work in the name of the Church are adequately trained in safeguarding matters. Nationally, there are new expectations that all volunteers complete safeguarding training every 3 years and as a diocese and parish, it is our role to adhere to this requirement. All new volunteers are expected to have completed the new safeguarding training PRIOR to their commencement in role. All existing volunteers will be expected to have completed the training before the point of their next DBS renewal. You can do this at any point before your DBS renewal. This is a mandatory requirement and non-negotiable, however, there are many benefits of increased understanding and confidence around safeguarding. Lorraine, our Parish Safeguarding Representative, will guide you through the process and hopefully make it as straightforward as possible. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Lorraine in the parish office.

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: As of 1st January 2025, we will not be holding any data in our parish 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.

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

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

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