



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



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**17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

**Second Sunday of the Year**

Saturday	OL	9.30am	St. Anthony	People of the Parishes
	SH	5.30pm	Second Sunday of the Year Year A	Mary & John Mulloy R.I.P. & Paul Ryan R.I.P.
<b>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January</b>	OL	9.15am		Patricia Allen (Int.)
	SH	10.30am		José Fernandes R.I.P.
Monday	SH	9.30am		Matt Kavanagh R.I.P.
Tuesday	OL	9.30am		Joseph Lang Hoang R.I.P. (Anniversary)
Wednesday	SH	9.30am	St. Agnes	Denis Galvin R.I.P.
Thursday	OL	9.30am		Boni Cioffi R.I.P.
Friday	SH	9.30am		Maria In Thi Tran R.I.P. (Anniversary)
Saturday	OL	9.30am	St. Francis de Sales	Betty Williams R.I.P.
	SH	5.30pm	Third Sunday of the Year Year A	Paddy Swords R.I.P.
<b>Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> January</b>	OL	9.15am		People of the parishes
	SH	10.30am		Angela & Oliver Hogan 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

Saturdays after 9.30am Mass – 12noon: Exposition.

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

Sacred Heart: Exposition: Saturdays from 4.45pm - 5.15pm.

**Anniversaries:** Frances Hicks, Pauline Walsh, John Duignan, Marcella Kenyon, John McDonagh, Eileen O'Farrell, Mick Kelly, David Stansfield, Gregory Barthram, Kathleen White, Maureen Madden, Kathleen Green, Frank Brassil, Diane Holmes, Peter Gray, Mary Martin, Boni Cioffi, Evelyn Jackson, Charles Griffiths, Edgar Lanigan, Francis Clarges, Tom Bell, Agnes Sheridan, Doris Forsyth. **R.I.P.**

**Please pray for all our recently deceased.** Betty Williams, John Fleming, Jim Fox.

**Please pray for all our sick.**

**The Holy Father's Special Intention.** For prayer with the word of God. Let us pray that praying with the word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

**Next week's retiring collection.** SPUC White Flower Appeal. The Appeal is dedicated to protecting unborn children and promoting the right to life in society. Our appeals raise awareness of pro-life matters to parishioners and the donations we receive allows SPUC to continue our tireless work to build a culture of life. We work to educate youth, lobby politicians, mobilise pro-life activities in the community, provide support to students facing crisis pregnancies and much more.

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.** The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity takes place each year from 18-25 January and is observed by Christian churches worldwide. The theme for 2026 is taken from Ephesians 4:1-13, with particular emphasis on the words, *"There is one body and one Spirit"* (Ephesians 4:4). <https://northamptondiocese.org/week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity/>

**BCCT Christian Unity Service.** Billing Covenanted Churches Together will host a service to mark the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The service will be held at 3pm on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> January at the church of Our Lady, Great Billing. Refreshments will be provided after the service. All are welcome! Also, it would be lovely if someone could help with teas and coffees afterwards.

**Adoration on Mondays at the Sacred Heart.** As the weather gets colder, we are pausing Adoration on Mondays until further notice.

**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.

**Tiny Tots.** Until further notice, the Tiny Tots group that meets in St Gregory's church hall on Tuesdays, 9.30am - 11.30am, will meet in the hall at Sacred Heart. If you have care of a preschool child on a Tuesday, join our friendly group? It costs just £1 (inc. snacks!)

**Journey with Jesus through Lent.** During Lent, the Pastoral Development Vicariate is offering the opportunity for online small group sessions once a week for 6 weeks beginning w/c 16<sup>th</sup> February. During each weekly small group session, facilitators will be using St. Beuno's Outreach Prego resources, allowing you to pray and reflect on Scripture for the coming Sunday. Within the session, there will also be time for silent reflection and sharing what spoke to you from Scripture. Sessions will be available on various days and times. To find out more information and to sign-up to our introductory webinar on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January, 7.30pm, visit our diocesan website: <https://northamptondiocese.org/lenten-journey/>

**Strategic Lead for Caritas Social Action.** We're seeking a passionate individual to lead Caritas initiatives across the Diocese of Northampton. This part-time role (3 days per week) is based at the St Thomas Centre, Northampton. If you are committed to Catholic Social Teaching and have experience in project leadership and community outreach, we'd love to hear from you! Full information for the position and an application form can be found by visiting <https://northamptondiocese.org/jobs> All candidates should complete a Diocesan application form and email it to: [hr.admin@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:hr.admin@northamptondiocese.org) This vacancy remains open until the position is filled.

**Sing the Season, Lent 2026.** The latest event in the Northampton Diocese Music Liturgy series, offering new and seasonal music and fresh ideas for the Lenten season. Designed for cantors, choir leaders, singers, and musicians. Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> January, 11am-4pm at St Aidan's Catholic Church, Finch Lane, Little Chalfont, Amersham HP7 9NE. Bring a packed lunch, voice, and instruments (tea and coffee provided). Free (suggested donation £5 to support future events). For further details: <https://northamptondiocese.org/courses/sing-the-season-lent-2026/>

**LUX.** 13-15<sup>th</sup> February 2026 at Kings Park Centre, Northampton. £110. LUX is our diocesan residential weekend for teens that happens in February every year. It's for those in school years 7 – 13 and is a weekend packed with activity. Every year we explore a theme through workshops, dramas, music, worship, Mass, prayer times, games, inputs, and time with friends. This year's theme is Belong. Visit [nymo.org/lux-belong-2026/](https://nymo.org/lux-belong-2026/) or email [NYMO@northamptondiocese.com](mailto:NYMO@northamptondiocese.com) to find out more.

**Safeguarding Survey for the Youth.** The diocesan Safeguarding team is looking at how young people perceive safeguarding and how they receive information from a diocesan level. They want to know how we can communicate better so if you are aged 11 to 18, please take 5 minutes to complete a few questions using this link, or by scanning the QR code: [Northampton Diocese Safeguarding Feedback 2025 - Youth – Fill in form](https://northamptondiocese.org/safeguarding/safeguarding-survey-for-the-youth)



**Come and See - Discernment Day for Men.** Are you a man who is wondering whether God may be calling you to the priesthood? The Diocese warmly invites you to "Come and See" - a day of prayer, reflection, and questions for men who are thinking about or discerning a vocation to the priesthood. Saturday 28th March 2026 at Our Lady of Christian and St Lawrence, Olney. This day offers a relaxed and supportive opportunity to reflect on God's call, to learn more about priestly life, and to ask honest questions in a prayerful setting. To register your interest or for more information, please contact Fr Pius: [vocationsdirector@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:vocationsdirector@northamptondiocese.org) or 01753 523147.

**Retrouvaille** helps marriages. It can bring hope and healing to relationships. Next date: 12<sup>th</sup> February 2026 [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk) or 07887 296983.

**Role Vacancy – Chair of the Safeguarding Advisory Board.** The SAB continues in its search for a new Chair to lead the work of the board. The SAB meets on a quarterly basis (3 meetings online) to oversee the work of the safeguarding office including new and ongoing reports of allegations and concerns. A new Chair is required to lead the board with an initial term period of 3 years. A brief description and role specification is available. We are keen to hear from anyone who might be interested in this rewarding role, an opportunity to support the diocese to build further upon its recent audit and improve safeguarding standards for all. Please get in contact on 01604 723514 to discuss the role further.

**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](mailto: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](https://www.caspar.church/me?ID=56012)

Sacred Heart: [www.caspar.church/me?ID=56062](https://www.caspar.church/me?ID=56062)

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