



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



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4th/5th May 2024

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Saturday	OL	9.30am		De Bless family (Foundation Mass)
	SH	5.30pm	Sixth Sunday of Easter Year B	Paddy & Noreen Swords R.I.P.
Sunday	OL	9.15am		Chrissie Mace R.I.P.
5th May	SH	10.30am		People of the parishes
Monday	SH	9.30am		Fr. Jordan R.I.P. (10 th Anniversary)
Tuesday	OL	9.30am		Mr & Mrs Johnson (Wedding Anniversary)
Wednesday	SH	9.30am		Garry Carrabine R.I.P.
Thursday	SH	9.30am	Ascension of the Lord <i>Holy day of obligation</i>	Noreen Hanlon R.I.P. The Hanlons & The Burkes
	OL	7.00pm		People of the parishes
Friday	SH	9.30am		Matt & Margaret Kavanagh (Int)
Saturday	OL	9.30am		People of the parishes
	SH	5.30pm	Seventh Sunday of Easter Year B	Rita Caldeiro R.I.P.
Sunday	OL	9.15am		Joseph Calder R.I.P. (birthday)
12th May	SH	10.30am		Arthur Mawby 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.

Saturdays after 9.30am Mass – 12noon: Exposition.

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

Sacred Heart: Exposition: Saturdays from 4.45pm - 5.15pm. There will be no exposition on the Bank Holiday Mondays in May.

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

Anniversaries: Cathie Clifford, Lawrence Forsyth, Margaret Heffernan, Doug Doyle, Jane Mackey, Elsie Crawford, John Dorothy, Lee Evans, Michele Diccico, Joseph Scanlon, Jack Osborne, Garry Carabine, Anthony Betts, George McLaren, Katie Lester, Francis Corr, Stephen King. **R.I.P.**

Please pray for all our recently deceased. Margaret Gleeson, Ann Fennell, P.J. Ferguson, Maria Gotts & Graham Larkin.

Please pray for all our sick.

Pope Francis' Special Intention. We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

This weekend's retiring collection. Healing garden at the Cathedral. We have been asked as a pastoral area to support our diocesan victims and survivors with the proceeds of a retiring collection going to the healing garden at our Cathedral.

Next weekend's retiring collection. World Communications Sunday. The theme for 2024 is 'Artificial Intelligence and Wisdom of the Heart'. Read Pope Francis' message here <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/wcd24-papal-message>

Help needed. The SVP are helping a family who are in desperate need of the following items: chest of drawers, table and chairs, bunk beds and a wardrobe. If you can help, please contact the SVP on 07504 465707 or contact Lorraine in the parish office.

Adoration at the Sacred Heart. Please note that there will be no adoration at The Sacred Heart on the two Bank Holidays in May, i.e. Monday 6th May and Monday 27th May.

Parish Pastoral Council. The scheduled meeting on Sunday 5th May has been postponed until Sunday 26th May, after the 10.30am Mass. Please pass any items for the agenda, or reports on activities since the last meeting in Feb. to Gareth, or Lorraine in the Office.

Thank you for the pennies! Marina is very grateful for your generosity which has raised £101 for the parish Lourdes pilgrimage.

Sacred Heart - Children and Our Lady. Children could you take either a colouring in sheet of Mary to celebrate her special month of May or a blank sheet for your own drawing, then complete it, make sure you include your name and bring it back as soon as possible? Completed pictures can either be brought to Childrens' liturgy or left in the box in the porch. We will then display them in the church.

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?

Children's Liturgy at Sacred Heart Church. The dates for Children's Liturgy are 12th May, 2nd June, 16th June, 30th June and 14th July. Please note, this is aimed at children from the age of 4 until they are 8 or have made their First Holy Communion.

Our Lady's Confirmation Programme. Dates for May: Sunday 5th May 10.10-10.45am - Session 5 at Our Lady's (after Mass), Saturday 11th May 9.30am-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). Please 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 compulsory preparation sessions on Saturdays 11th May and 8th June from 9.30-11.30am.

Northampton Diocese – Life in the Spirit Seminars. These began on Tuesday 16th April and have 3 weeks remaining, 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/>

Parish Musicians. Our diocesan liturgy commission music section will host a day for singers, choirs and instrumentalists on Saturday 11th May, 11am-3pm at Thomas Becket Catholic School in Northampton. Adults £10 and young people free if 18 or under but must be accompanied by an adult. Please book via this link: <https://northamptondiocese.org/courses/diocesan-music-day/> Bring a packed lunch. Tea, coffee, juice provided. For more details: music@northamptondiocese.org

Diocesan vacancies. The Diocese is currently recruiting for a Financial Accountant and an Accounts Assistant to join their central team in Northampton. Full information for both positions, and how to apply, can be found at <https://northamptondiocese.org/jobs/> The closing date for applications is Friday 17th May 2024, however we reserve the right to close the vacancy earlier if a sufficient number of applications have been received. Interviews dates to be confirmed. All candidates should complete a Diocesan application form and email it to: hr.admin@northamptondiocese.org together with a covering letter detailing their qualifications, experience, and why they are interested in the position.

CAFOD's Sudan Crisis Appeal. Millions of families in Sudan, forced to flee their homes amid conflict, now face yet another urgent crisis – extreme hunger. Please give to CAFOD's Sudan Crisis Appeal in church or at www.cafod.org.uk/sudanappeal. Your donation will help CAFOD's partners to support more families with food packages and emergency cash payments as well as rebuilding water pipelines so clean water can reach communities who need it. Thank you for your generosity and prayers.

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, 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 visit: <https://northamptondiocese.org/pilgrimage/>

Jay Shetty Certified Life Coach. I am an Intuitive Life Coach, and I'm offering coaching at a rate of £10 an hour. Sessions are usually an hour long and I look forward to guiding anybody wishing coaching. What is Life Coaching? Life Coaching offers a safe space to coach on any subjects where you feel: blocked or require assistance in moving forward in life, be it a problem, a goal or a desired change or outcome. No problem too small or too great. Coaching may be in person or via zoom. Please call Sara 07740 252588.