



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



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**20<sup>th</sup> April/21<sup>st</sup> April 2024**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

Saturday	OL	9.30am		People of the parishes
	SH	5.30pm	Fourth Sunday of Easter Year B	Sr. Marie Therese (sick)
<b>Sunday</b> <b>21<sup>st</sup> April</b>	OL	9.15am		John Cooney R.I.P.
	SH	10.30am		David & Sandra Smith (50 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary)
Monday	SH	9.30am		Simon Kingsley R.I.P. (Birthday)
Tuesday	OL	9.30am	Solemnity of St. George	Mario Tandrayen R.I.P.
Wednesday	SH	9.30am		For the Holy Souls
Thursday	OL	9.30am	Feast of St. Mark	Iolanthe Mary Clarke (Foundation Mass)
Friday	SH	9.30am		Kathleen Mullen (Foundation Mass)
Saturday	OL	9.30am		People of the parishes
	SH	5.30pm	Fifth Sunday of Easter Year B	P.J. Ferguson R.I.P.
<b>Sunday</b> <b>28<sup>th</sup> April</b>	OL	9.15am		Patrick Cullen R.I.P.
	SH	10.30am		Margaret Gleeson 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 and Mondays after 9.30am Mass – 11am.

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

**Anniversaries:** Mary Mulvenna, Cecelia Jenkins, Shirley Mahoney, Robert Butler, Caroline Davis, Christine Sye, Cecil Cooper, Martin McNeela, Annie Smith Patricia Sinclair, Mario Tandrayen, Friedericke Lear, Albert Taverner, George Phillips, Eileen Clark, Charles Rowland, Patricia McKillop, Charles Drummond, Kath Mullen, Godfrey Finn, Elizabeth Fitzpatrick, Charles McCarthy, Derek Humphries, Marion Forsyth. **R.I.P.**

**Please pray for all our recently deceased.** Oliver Hilliard, Margaret Gleeson, Ann Fennell, P.J. Ferguson & Maria Gotts.

**Please pray for all our sick.**

**Pope Francis' Special Intention.** We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognised in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

**First Saturday of every month, devotion in reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.** Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May at the Shrine, Mass at 9.30am, followed by Adoration, Confession until 10.30am, Meditation on one of the mysteries of the Rosary, and recitation of the Rosary. For the salvation of souls and peace in the world. Devotion concludes at 10.30am. Adoration until 12noon.

**Help for our readers.** Available at back of both churches, are notes for the readers.

**Senior's Party.** Our annual SVP Senior's (over 60s) Party will take place this Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> April from 3pm - 6pm in the Sacred Heart Church Hall. If you would like to come along, please sign the sheet in the church porch. If you require transport and if you require a vegetarian option, please indicate on the sheet. The meal, drink, music and good company are all provided free. Donations are accepted but not expected. Music by "The Last Resort".

**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. Please note that there will not be refreshments on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April because the SVP will be preparing the hall for the Senior's Party.

**Sacred Heart SVP Community Pop-in.** Every Thursday, 10am – 2pm. Pop in for a chat, a cup of tea or something to eat. Why not come and join us?

**Our Lady's Confirmation Programme.** Dates for April and May: Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April 5-6pm - tour of Northampton Cathedral, Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April 9.30am-11.30am - compulsory preparation session at St Gregory's Church Hall, Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May 10.10-10.45am - Session 5 at Our Lady's (after Mass), Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 9.30am-11.30am - compulsory preparation session at St Gregory's Church Hall, Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May 10.10-10.45am - Session 6 at Our Lady's (after Mass). Remember to 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 time to meet is on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April 5-6pm for a tour of Northampton Cathedral. The compulsory preparation sessions are on Saturdays 27<sup>th</sup> April, 11<sup>th</sup> May, 8<sup>th</sup> May from 9.30-11.30am.

**Northampton Diocese – Life in the Spirit Seminars.** These began on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April and are running for 6 weeks including a retreat day on 18<sup>th</sup> 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/>

**Flower arranging.** We are excited to restart the flower arranging course this spring on 26<sup>th</sup> April, 17<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> May, 14<sup>th</sup> June, 12<sup>th</sup> July. 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. *Thanks, Margaret.*

**Pro Life Chain – Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April.** On Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April SPUC Northampton is holding a Pro-Life Chain on St Peters Way, Northampton. This act of silent witness is to remember the millions of lives lost to abortion since the Abortion Act 1967. It will take place between 11am and 1pm. Please consider joining us at this important event. We have a moral duty to speak out against the horror of abortion. If you can join us or want more information, then please contact William on 07393965643 (text is fine) or [wpcurrie@btinternet.com](mailto:wpcurrie@btinternet.com) Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

**Parish Musicians.** Our diocesan liturgy commission music section will host a day for singers, choirs and instrumentalists on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:music@northamptondiocese.org)

**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)

**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](mailto: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. There are plenty to choose from 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 on these pilgrimages and our diocesan walking pilgrimage, 'The Way of Our Lady of Guadalupe' visit: <https://northamptondiocese.org/pilgrimage/>

**Parish registration.** We will soon be using a new computer system to help us manage our parish better. It starts with us making sure that we have up to date contact information for all our parishioners and so we would be grateful if you could complete the registration form by scanning the relevant QR code below or by typing the relevant link into your browser. If you don't have an email address, please speak to Lorraine in the parish office who can complete the form on your behalf.

