

Sacred Heart Parish and

Diocesan Shrine & Parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

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25th/26th October 2025

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	OL	9.30am	Our Lady	Ena Mathura (Foundation Mass)
	SH	5.30pm	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mary Ita Flattery R.I.P.
Sunday	OL	9.15am	Year C	Les & Maria Colantonio (Foundation Mass)
26 th Oct	SH	10.30am		Peter Edwards R.I.P.
Monday	SH	9.30am		Gillian & Mark Brockway (Int)
Tuesday	OL	9.30am	Feast of Ss. Simon and Jude	William Bird (Foundation Mass)
Wednesday	SH	9.30am		Alun Nicholas R.I.P.
Thursday	OL	9.30am		Winifred Keelan (Int)
Friday	SH	9.30am		Dennis Lawlor (sick)
Saturday	OL	9.30am	Our Lady	People of the parishes
	SH	5.30pm	All Saints	Richard Heron R.I.P. (Anniversary)
Sunday	OL	9.15am	Year C	Bernard Weston (Foundation Mass)
2 nd Nov	SH	10.30am		José Fernandes 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.

<u>Sacred Heart</u>: Exposition: Saturdays from 4.45pm - 5.15pm and Mondays 9.30am – 11am. The Net Charismatic Prayer Group: first and third Wednesday of the month 7.30pm - 9pm.

Anniversaries: Aileen Lawson, Tony O'Reilly, Peter Edwards, Denis Bishop, John Carrabine, Archibald Massey, Joseph Finlay, Fr. Tony McDermott, John Williams, Cath Gammage, James Godfrey. **R.I.P.**

Please pray for all our recently deceased. Andy Brown, Jacqueline Nemorin, Anne Carty.

Please pray for all our sick.

Pope Francis' Special Intention. For families in crisis. Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

Next weekend's retiring collection: Sick & Retired Priests.

Golden Jubilee Planning Groups: Thank you to those who signed up to join the planning groups. ALL three groups — Mass/Liturgy; Decorations and Refreshments - will meet separately in the Church Hall after the 10.30am Mass this Sunday, 26th October. Please try to come along so that we can start initial planning for this important event in the life of our Parish. We can also exchange contact details for future meetings. If you forgot/didn't get the chance to sign up for any of the groups, please feel free to join the group of your choice and add your name to the list. Apologies to those from the Saturday Night Mass, that these initial meetings are on a Sunday, but as the vast majority of those who signed up are from the 10.30am Mass, it seemed reasonable to hold these meetings at that time. If you cannot make the meeting but would still like to be part of the process, please contact Gareth - daviesg54@gmail.com - you can also make any points you would like to make and we will include them in our discussions.

First Saturday of every month, devotion in reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Saturday 1st November 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.

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

Franciscan Prayer Walk. Everyone is invited to join us in the Church garden at Our Lady's on Sunday 9th November at 2pm for our first "Franciscan Prayer Walk". This will be short, informal gathering, taking time to observe, to listen and to hear God speak to us through his creation in this autumnal season. Warm clothing, umbrellas and sturdy winter footwear are recommended due to the wet ground. There is mobility access and some seating on outdoor benches. Accompanied children are most welcome.

Flower arranging course. We are excited to restart the flower arranging course this autumn from 10am-12noon on **Fridays 31**st **October, 14**th **November and 19**th **December**, with an extended session on **5**th **December**. 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.

Ethics Unplugged. A Catholic Response to Key Issues. The online Zoom series continues on Thursdays, 7.30–9pm, exploring contemporary ethical challenges through a Catholic lens:

30th Oct – Artificial Intelligence (Aidan Cottrell-Boyce) and 13th Nov – Ageing, Life & Death (Dr David Jones)
Hosted by Caritas, Mission Northampton & Northampton Cathedral. Free to attend; donations welcome. Zoom link sent before the first session. https://northamptondiocese.org/courses/ethics-unplugged-a-catholic-response-zoom-meetings-2nd-oct-16th-oct-30th-oct-13th-nov-2025/

Sing the Season – Advent 2025. All cantors, choir leaders, singers, and musicians are warmly invited to "Sing the Season – Advent 2025," part of a new series of uplifting events from the Diocesan Music Liturgy Team. Join us on Saturday 22nd November, 11am-4pm (optional Parish Mass at 10am) at Our Lady Help of Christians & St Lawrence Church, Olney (MK46 5HH) for a day of seasonal music, new psalm settings, and fresh ideas to enrich Advent liturgies. Bring your instruments, voices, and a packed lunch - tea and coffee will be provided. The event is free of charge, though a £5 donation is welcome to support future gatherings.

Love Christmas – Share the Joy, Spread the Light. This Advent, join Caritas Northampton's Love Christmas Campaign and help bring the true spirit of Christmas to those most in need across our diocese. Over the past four years, your generosity has shared over 1,700 Bags of Kindness, touching the lives of more than 4,000 people, from children in care and young carers to isolated elderly and families struggling to make ends meet. Together, we can make an even greater difference this year. Simply collect small gifts, such as toys, chocolates, warm clothing, or toiletries and we'll provide the bags and arrange collection. Let's fill our communities with hope and compassion this Christmas. Sign up at northamptondiocese.org/lovechristmas or caritas@northamptondiocese.org 01604 434362.

Is your child starting school in September 2025? St. Gregory's welcomes you to an open morning on 5th November 10-11am. Private tours around the school are also available, during the school day or after 5pm, by appointment only. Please call us on 01604 403511 to book your place. We are a successful, safe and nurturing school, set on large, spacious grounds with fantastic facilities. We are proud to be within the heart of our diverse community. We look forward to welcoming you!

Marriage Preparation Weekend Course. 9–11 January 2026. The CHC's weekend marriage preparation course is intended for couples who wish to engage more deeply with the Catholic vision for marriage. Structured around the elements of the marriage rite, couples will reflect deeply on foundational Scriptural texts to gain a better understanding of both the natural and sacramental aspects of Matrimony. The weekend includes prayer, time for personal and shared reflection, group discussion, and a social gathering. It can be attended as a stand-alone experience or in support of an online or in-person course. Details and registration: https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/marriage-preparation

Annual flu vaccination campaign. The winter vaccinations have begun. For the first time the flu vaccine for 2-3 yr olds is being offered in local pharmacies. Visit www.icnorthamptonshire.org.uk/vaccinations for information and local booking and walk-in opportunities.

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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