



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



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OL = Our Lady's
SH = Sacred Heart

29th/30th August 2026

Twenty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday	OL	9.30am	The Passion of St. John the Baptist	John William Turner (Foundation Mass)
	SH	5.30pm	Twenty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A	Chris Swords R.I.P.
Sunday	OL	9.15am		Ursula Welsh (Foundation Mass)
30th August	SH	10.30am		The Refoy family
Monday	SH	9.30am		Estelle & Gerry Crasto and family (Int.)
Tuesday	OL	9.30am		Vin & Margaret Shervin (Foundation Mass)
Wednesday	SH	9.30am		Nora McLaughlin (sick)
Thursday	OL	9.30am	Feast of St. Gregory the Great	Angela, Anne, Gillian & Karin (Int.)
Friday	SH	9.30am		Marjorie Golton (Foundation Mass)
Saturday	OL	9.30am	Our Lady	Beryl Mary Gilchrist (Foundation Mass)
	SH	5.30pm	Twenty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A	Sean Shaughnessy R.I.P.
Sunday	OL	9.15am		Fr. Dennis Roberts (Foundation Mass)
6th September	SH	10.30am		Mary Dorothy (Foundation Mass)

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. Zoom only this week. If you want the link text 07724 337196.

Saturdays after 9.30am Mass – 12noon: Exposition.

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

Sacred Heart: Exposition: Saturdays from 4.45pm - 5.15pm. Mondays 10-11am – except Bank Holidays.

Anniversaries: Bill Travill, John O'Rourke, Lawrence Connors, Andrew Connors, John Neary, Clare Keay, Ann Lehane, Trevor Boast, Maria Fennessy, Ann Blackburn, Sheila Wiggins. **R.I.P.**

Please pray for all our recently deceased. Sinéad Rossiter, Sean Shaughnessy.

Please pray for all our sick.

The Holy Father's Special Intention. For evangelization in the city. Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

Next weekend's retiring collection: The Cathedral's Healing garden.

Adoration at the Sacred Heart. Please note there will not be Adoration at the Sacred Heart on Monday 31st August.

First Saturday of every month, devotion in reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Saturday 5th September 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.

The Birthday of Our Lady: 24 Hour Adoration Monday-Tuesday 7th-8th September. 24-hour Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will start at 11am at Our Lady's Shrine, Great Billing on Monday 7th September, which will continue until the 9.30am Mass on the Tuesday. Sign-up sheets for the Exposition are available at the back of both churches.

Tea & Coffee at Sacred Heart. There will be no tea and coffee after Mass this Sunday. We will return next Sunday!

First Communion 2027. If you have a child hoping to make their First Communion next summer, we have an important date for you! The registration meeting at Sacred Heart will be after the 10.30am Mass on Sunday 11th October but if you cannot make that date you can attend the one at St Gregory's Church after 11am Mass on Sunday 18th October. No one can register without attending the meeting as parents need to know what they are signing up to.

St Greg's tiny tots. We are currently meeting in the Sacred Heart hall and are starting our year on Tuesday 8th September from 9.30-11.30am. If you have the care of a pre-school child why not join our friendly group? The cost is only £1 for you and any number of children and this includes snacks and coffee.

Fish & Chip and Bingo Afternoon. Please join us for Fish & Chips & Bingo **Saturday 26th September 1-4pm at Sacred Heart Church Hall. Cost £10 per person.** So that we can cater correctly, please make sure names and phone numbers go on one of the lists on table at back of Churches by Wednesday 23rd September latest, tick if you need transport. Numbers are limited so please sign up early! Money can be put in a sealed envelope marked Fish & Chips with your name/contact number and put in collection basket during Masses or through the Presbytery letterbox. Any queries, speak to an SVP member or text SVP 07504465707.

Chris Atkin (Our Lady's) is running 'The Amazing Northampton Run' Half Marathon. On 13th September, Chris is running The Amazing Northampton Run for CAFOD. Chris is a CAFOD schools volunteer and knows how important their work is across the world. CAFOD is an international development charity helping people affected by poverty, climate, conflict and injustice around the world. They work with dedicated local experts within these communities to make a real, lasting difference. If you'd like to find out more about CAFOD's work, visit their website: <https://cafod.org.uk/> If anyone would like to sponsor Chris, you can go to his JustGiving page: <https://www.justgiving.com/page/christopher-atkin-12> Any donation will be much appreciated. Together, we can make the world a better place for all of us.

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible. An 8-week course starting on Tuesday 8th September at 7.30pm at the Sacred Heart Church hall finishing on 3rd November (excluding 6th October). You will need to register so the workbook and supporting materials can be provided. The workbook is £20 but participants will pay anonymously and only what they can afford. To register or ask for more information please contact John at: johnbarclay01@hotmail.co.uk

Knights of St. Columba Charity Quiz night. Friday 25th September at 7pm at Ss Francis & Therese, East Hunsbury NN4 0RZ. Join us for an evening of fun and friendly competition – all for a great cause! Fee is £5 per adult. Refreshments, raffle and prizes to be won. RSVP peteholloway6@gmail.com

Aid to the Church in Need. Could You Help Support Persecuted Christians? Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) is looking to recruit a Parish Appeals Representative to support its mission across our diocese. The role, which can be undertaken as a volunteer or on a self-employed stipend basis, involves visiting parishes to share the inspiring work of ACN, encouraging prayer for persecuted and suffering Christians, promoting awareness of its campaigns, and inviting support through donations. This is a rewarding opportunity to help strengthen solidarity with our brothers and sisters in faith around the world. If you, or someone you know, may be interested, please contact Aid to the Church in Need for further information: Teresa.Kehoe@acnuk.org

Alpha course. Alpha is a place to share a meal, watch a short video and talk honestly about life, faith and meaning. Starts with lunch on Thursday 17th September, 12noon-2pm, then every Thursday until 3rd December. There is an overnight retreat on 6th-7th November. The Alpha course is free. For more information, have a chat to Alex on 07963 032175.

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 This vacancy remains open until the position is filled.

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.

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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