



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



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OL = Our Lady's
SH = Sacred Heart

25th/26th July 2026

Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday	OL	9.30am	Feast of St. James	Gillian & Mark Brockway & family (Int)
	SH	5.30pm	Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time	Bill York R.I.P.
Sunday	OL	9.15am	Year A	Thresiamma Alex R.I.P. (Anniversary)
26th July	SH	10.30am		Ann Kelk R.I.P.
Monday	SH	9.30am		Andrew Travill R.I.P.
Tuesday	OL	9.30am		Carlos, Jean & Natalia Munoz Rodriguez (Foundation Mass)
Wednesday	SH	9.30am	Ss. Mary, Martha and Lazarus	Vita Guagenti R.I.P.
Thursday	OL	9.30am		In thanksgiving for the parishes & our priests (Kristina)
Friday	SH	9.30am	St. Ignatius Loyola	Whyte family R.I.P.
Saturday	OL	9.30am	St. Alphonsus Liguori	Tad & Annemarie Newton (Int.)
	SH	5.30pm	Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time	Michael Brennan R.I.P.
Sunday	OL	9.15am	Year A	Fr. James Mullett (Foundation Mass)
2nd August	SH	10.30am		Bon Scott 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. Mondays 10-11am – except Bank Holidays.

Anniversaries: Sean Knox, Ellen Smith, Les Lewis, Eileen Bason, Thomas Brown, Albert Veldman, Margaret Craffy, Thresiamma Alex, James Molinary, Thomas McDonald, Ann Culhane, Francis Duffy, Norah Matthews, Francis Rooney, Andrew Travill, John Rigel, Margaret Bunting, Darren Tierney, Charles Bliss, Victor de Banke, Maureen McCarthy, Ellen McKie, Hilda Osborne. **R.I.P.**

Please pray for all our recently deceased. Heather Dukhie, Vita Guagenti, Maureen Moriarty.

Please pray for all our sick.

The Holy Father's Special Intention. For respect for human life. Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

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

St Gregory's tiny tots. We have finished for the Summer but will be back, probably at Sacred Heart, on Tuesday 8th September!

St. Gregory's Church. On Saturday 15th August, there will be Mass at 10.30am followed by Eucharistic Exposition and Sacrament of Reconciliation. At 12noon there will be the Rosary in the garden. All are welcome.

CAFOD – DEC Venezuela Earthquake appeal. You can help our neighbours affected by the 24th June earthquakes in Venezuela with emergency shelter, water and food. CAFOD is already working with local Church partners to support people who have lost their homes, but we need your support to help more survivors. Your donation will provide essential supplies and help families rebuild their lives. Donate to the CAFOD-DEC Venezuela Earthquake Appeal today: <https://cafod.org.uk/give/donate-to-emergencies/venezuela-earthquake-appeal>. Please keep our neighbours in Venezuela in your prayers.

World day for grandparents and the elderly – 26th July. In his message for this year's World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, Pope Leo XIV reminds us of God's faithful love for every person, especially in times of loneliness, frailty, or feeling forgotten. The Holy Father invites all parishioners, particularly the young, to rediscover the importance of visiting and caring for the elderly, whether grandparents, neighbours, or those who may have no one to visit them. A simple encounter can become a powerful sign of God's tenderness and presence. "I will never forget you" (Isaiah 49:15)

Diocese of Northampton Discernment Day for Vocations to the priesthood. Are you wondering whether God may be calling you to the priesthood? If you are seeking to deepen your relationship with Christ and explore God's plan for your life, you are warmly invited to attend a Discernment Day for Vocations to the Priesthood on Saturday 8th August at 10.30am, at St Augustine Catholic Church, 1 Langcliffe Drive, Milton Keynes, MK13 7PL. The day will include prayer, reflection, Mass, fellowship, and opportunities to speak with priests and others discerning God's call. It is open to young men and men aged 16 and above who are considering a vocation to the Catholic priesthood in the Diocese of Northampton. For further information or to register, please contact: Fr. Pius, Vocations Director, Diocese of Northampton / Email: vocationsdirector@northamptondiocese.org / Tel: 01753 523147. "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest." (Matthew 9:37–38). Please keep vocations to the priesthood and religious life in your prayers.

Governors for our Catholic Schools. Being a Governor is a rewarding way of volunteering to support your local Catholic schools. We need foundation Governors at St. Thomas Becket school from September to replace two long standing foundation Governors who have stepped down after many years' service. If you are interested in volunteering to support Catholic education in this way, then for more information contact catkin@olicatschools.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.

NHS research – Improving Black Health Outcomes (IBHO) Bio Resource. In Black communities, more research is needed to improve understanding of health conditions and to develop better treatments. The IBHO would like to recruit people from Black communities who would be willing to take part in the research. It is as simple as completing a questionnaire and providing a blood and/or saliva sample. and if you are interested, you can contact them on 0800 090 2233 or at ibho@bioresource.nihr.ac.uk

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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