



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



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26th/27th March

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Saturday	OL	9.30am	Fourth Sunday of Lent Year C	Margaret Wilson R.I.P. (Anniversary)
	SH	5.30pm		People of the parishes
Sunday 27th March	OL	9.15am		Sr. Rose Quadros R.I.P.
	SH	10.30am		Davidson Barreau R.I.P. (birthday)
Monday	SH	9.30am		Norman Calder R.I.P. (birthday)
Tuesday	OL	9.30am		Antonia 'Tola' Mathews (Foundation Mass)
Wednesday	SH	9.30am		Keith Muspratt R.I.P. (1 st Anniversary)
Thursday	OL	9.30am		Ralph & Joyce Burgess (Foundation Mass)
Friday	SH	9.30am		Special Intentions
Saturday	OL	9.30am		David John Moon R.I.P.
	SH	5.30pm	Fifth Sunday of Lent Year C	Lydia Church (Foundation Mass)
Sunday 3rd April	OL	9.15am		Margaret McClean (Foundation Mass)
	SH	10.30am		People of the parishes

Response to Sunday's Psalm: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Confessions. Confessions will be on Saturdays, at Our Lady's from 10am-10.30am and at Sacred Heart from 4.45pm-5.15pm.

Stations of the Cross: During Lent, Fr Brendan will be leading Stations of the Cross at the Sacred Heart on Fridays at 6.15pm and Our Lady's on Sundays at 8.40am.

Events at our churches. Our Lady's: Exposition: Wednesdays from 2pm - 3pm. During Lent there will be Stations of the Cross.

Saturday Exposition: Saturdays after 9.30am Mass until midday.

Parish Prayer Time: Tuesdays 1-2pm. During Lent, Stations of the Cross will be at 1pm.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour: Thursdays 1-2pm.

Rosary: 9am before every Mass except Sunday.

Sacred Heart: Exposition: Saturdays from 4.45pm - 5.15pm and Wednesdays 1.30pm – 3.30pm.

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

Anniversaries: Ruby Forde, Margaret Wislon, Joseph Catalano, Bidy Robson, Albert Handy, Ita Griffiths, Michael Browne, Jason Stansfield, Loxie Villa, Fong Kiu Cheng, Thomas Casey, Fr Owen Wynn, David John Moon, Denise Williams. **R.I.P.**

Please pray for all our sick.

Please pray for all our recently deceased. Peter McCullough & Marguerita Neculaes.

Pope Francis' Special Intention. March: We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

This Week's Liturgy of the Word: Josh 5:9-12, Psalm: Ps 33:2-7 r. 9, 2 Cor 5:17-21, Luke 15:1-3, 11-32.

Next Week's Liturgy of the Word: Isa 43:16-21, Psalm: Ps 125 r.3, Phil 3:8-14, John 8:1-11.

Pam Boshell. There will be a Memorial Mass at The Sacred Heart Church for Pamela (Pam) Boshell on Friday 8th April at 11am which is open to everybody. At the time of her funeral the COVID lockdown prevented a public Funeral Mass.

CAFOD. A huge thank you to the parishioners of Our Lady's who very generously donated £828.40 to the Family Fast Day collection.

Confirmation July 2022. Registration is now closed. If you have any queries, please email the team on confirmationgregory.21@gmail.com.

A reminder that the clocks go forward this weekend!

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.

Helping the Ukrainian crisis. The SVP are collecting essential items to send to the Polish/Ukraine border. Goodwill Solutions, based on the Moulton Park Industrial Estate, are providing the logistics for sorting and transporting the items to where they are most needed. Any items from the following list will be very gratefully accepted: **Pot noodles or similar, tinned food (ring pull tops), food for children and infants, water, tea, long life milk, personal hygiene items, nappies/diapers, blankets, sleeping bags, clothes for children, clothes for women, torches, batteries, hot water bottles.** The items will be collected at the Sacred Heart Church on Sundays. Any bags of clothes, etc. could you please add a label to the outside of the bags stating what is inside, e.g. boys clothes, women's clothes, etc. Thank you all so much for your generosity so far!

Sacred Heart SVP Community Pop-in. Every Thursday from **31st March**, 10am – 2pm. Pop in for a chat, a cup of tea or something to eat. Why not come and join us?

Billing Covenanted Churches Together Lent Reflective Morning. Saturday 26th March. Led by Mrs Wendy Villette on the theme of "The Return of the Prodigal Son". The Reflective Morning will be held at the Methodist Chapel commencing with coffee at 11am for an 11.15am start, and concluding with a bread and soup lunch at 12.30pm There is no charge for the event but there will be an opportunity to make a donation to BCCT funds over lunch.

Called & Equipped - what is God calling you to do next? Have you found the events of the last year or two have caused you to ask questions about your faith? Is this the moment to really go deeper with God? Called & Equipped is a year-long programme offering a foundation in Catholic teaching and a journey of faith formation. Find out more here: <https://pastoralministryoffice.org/called/>. The webinar is on 30th March at 7.30pm. Register here: https://calledequipped_webinar.eventbrite.co.uk

Sacred Heart Flower arranging course. We welcome back the flower arranging course on 8th April, 13th May, 10th and 24th June in the church hall. Cost for the whole course will be £20. If you are interested, please contact Lorraine in the parish office.

NYMO Young Adults Brunch. NYMO invite you to a Brunch event at the NYMO Offices in Luton on Saturday 9th April, for a morning of food, faith formation, prayer and worship. From 11.30am - 1.30pm. For ages 18-35. See www.nymo.org/brunch for more details.

Job vacancy – St Paul's Catholic School, Milton Keynes. Chaplaincy and Pastoral Support Assistant. 37 hours per week, Monday-Friday, 52 weeks per year. For further details and an application form please visit the school website www.st-pauls.org.uk, e-mail enquiries@st-pauls.org.uk or call 01908 669735. Closing date for applications: Tuesday 19th April at 9am

Alpha course. The next Alpha course will be in person! (Dates below.) It is highly recommended and is very enjoyable. Each session starts with a good meal (A proper evening meal, not just a snack), then we watch a film together about our faith. After the film we have a conversation around our table about what we have seen and heard. It is good to have established believers as well as potential converts and those who simply want to know more about our faith. Please come, and if you can, bring a friend. There is no charge, but donations are cheerfully accepted. For catering purposes, please register at www.stgregory.org.uk/alpha
Course dates: 26th April, 3rd 10th, 17th and 24th May, 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th June, 5th & 12th July. An Away-Day on 16th–17th June.

Lourdes pilgrimage - would you like to join us as an assisted pilgrim? We still have some places left for our Lourdes pilgrimage and are especially interested in hearing from anyone who would like to join us as an assisted pilgrim. We can provide wheelchairs, other basic assistance and helpers for you at no cost! If you are interested in hearing more, please do speak to Colette in the music group at 10.30 mass or contact the parish office - we'd love to hear from you! Booking forms to confirm interest need to be returned to Colette or Father Brendan by 31st March, with deposits due slightly later.

Seasons of the Liturgical Year. A valuable opportunity to develop our engagement with the Scriptures that we hear proclaimed at the Liturgy of the Word at Mass. Led by the Liturgical Formation Team with presentations by Liz Clark, Fr Allan Jones CRIC, Mgr Kevin McGinnell & Fr Andrew Behrens. The next Zoom sessions:

Wednesday 6th April 2022, (7.30-8.30pm) Preparing for the Triduum

Wednesday 20th April 2022, (7.30-8.30pm) Celebrating Eastertide

Each session will include input, prayer and the opportunity to make comments and ask questions. There is no charge but there will be an opportunity to make a donation. Please register in advance to secure a place by emailing admin@nores.org.uk or phoning 01582 723312 (ext 1). Once your booking is received you will be sent details of how to join the online Zoom sessions.

Healing garden at the Cathedral. As part of our diocese desire to reach out to all those who have suffered any kind of abuse within our Church, you are all invited to join Bishop David at the opening of our Healing Garden at Northampton Cathedral at 3pm on Sunday 15th May. We hope that the garden will be a place that provides spiritual and emotional calming relief, reduce stress and anxiety and improve a person's sense of well-being and hopefulness. The garden has been designed and created by our diocesan safeguarding team, the healing and reconciliation group and the Hope Centre.