



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



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2nd/3rd April Fifth Sunday of Lent

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
Monday	SH	9.30am		Mavis Midgely-Bryan R.I.P.
Tuesday	OL	9.30am		Michael Smith (Foundation Mass)
Wednesday	SH	9.30am		Michael McCarthy R.I.P. (2 nd Anniversary)
Thursday	OL	9.30am		Alan Watts R.I.P. (Anniversary)
Friday	SH	9.30am		Maria Fennessy R.I.P.; Margaret Hefferman R.I.P.
	SH	11.00am		Memorial Mass for Pam Boshell R.I.P.
Saturday	OL	9.30am	Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion Year C	Sr. Marie Thérèse (Thanksgiving)
	SH	5.30pm		David Hefferman R.I.P. (Anniversary)
Sunday	OL	9.00am		Annie Bennett R.I.P.
	SH	10.30am		People of the parishes

Palm Sunday Mass. Please note that Mass at Our Lady's Church on Palm Sunday will begin 15 minutes earlier than usual, at **9am**. There will be no Stations of the Cross beforehand.

Response to Sunday's Psalm: "What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad."

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: Fong Kiu Cheng, Thomas Casey, Fr Owen Wynn, David John Moon, Denise Williams, Timothy Lehane, Bridget Teague, Danny McFadden, Thomas Brassil, Michael McCarthy, Sarah Leavy, Edmin Welford, Alan Watts, Clifford Newman, Ben Rigley, Joseph Sagnell, Vernan Martyr, Peter Barrett, Fr Jim Boyd, Ellen Travill **R.I.P.**

Please pray for all our sick.

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

Pope Francis' Special Intention. April: We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

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

Next Week's Liturgy of the Word: Luke 19:28-40, Isa 50:4-7, Psalm: Ps 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24 r. 2, Phil 2:6-11, Luke 22:14-23:56.

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.

Tea & Coffee at Sacred Heart. Refreshments after 10.30am Mass this Sunday in the church hall. Everyone is very welcome to come along and join in with coffee, cake and chat. Please note, there will be no refreshments after Mass on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday.

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, 10am-2pm. Pop in for a chat, a cup of tea or something to eat. Why not come and join us?

BCCT Scones of Praise. Sunday 3rd April at 3pm at the Methodist Chapel led by Mrs Dawn Smith. Donations in aid of the Food Bank.

NYMO Young Adults Brunch. The brunch is taking place at the NYMO office at the Holy Ghost Church, Luton on Saturday 9th April from 11.30am-1.30pm for young adults aged 18-35. The brunch is free to attend. For more information see www.nymo.org/brunch

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, (7.30-8.30pm) Preparing for the Triduum and Wednesday 20th April, (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.

Lenten Penitential Service. At the Cathedral on Monday 11th April at 7pm, there will be a Lenten Penitential Service. All are welcome.

Alpha course. The next Alpha course will be in person! (Dates below.) It is highly recommended and very enjoyable. Each session starts with an evening meal, then we watch a film together about our faith. After, 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.

Pro Life Chain - Saturday 30th April, 11am-1pm. SPUC Northampton is holding a Pro-Life Chain on St Peters Way Northampton. This act of silent witness is to remember the thousands of lives lost to abortion since the Abortion Act 1967. Please consider joining us at this important event. Last year twelve pro-life supporters stood together to proclaim the pro-life message. If you can join us or want more information, then please contact William on 07393965643(text is fine) or wpcurrie@btinternet.com Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Lifeteen Summer Camp 2022. We can confirm that it is happening this year! Summer Camp is 5 days of fun and activities where young Catholics gain formation and friendships. Included in the price is accommodation, food, daily Mass and Reconciliation, activities including a day at Alton Towers Theme Park, biking, trekking, climbing, archery, campfires and much more. Sunday 24th July, 3pm - Thursday 28th July at 2pm. Cost is £225 for camping (to provide own tent) or £295 for dormitory (£50 non-refundable deposit when booking). Final payment due by 1st July. Travel is provided (a donation of £20 per person is suggested but not essential) Places are extremely limited – people will need to book early to avoid disappointment. <https://nymo.org/summercamp/>

Job Vacancy: Choral Director, 2 year fixed term contract. We are currently looking to recruit an outstanding Choral Director to help deliver the work of a new Singing Programme in diocesan schools, including in-class singing sessions, and both establishing and directing after-school choirs. The Singing Programme forms part of the National Schools Singing Programme, founded, and supported by the Hamish Ogston Foundation. The salary of this post has been funded for the first two years. The Choral Director will also work closely with others to contribute to the vision for liturgical music across the Diocese with particular emphasis on the Cathedral in Northampton. For an informal discussion about the post, please contact Collette Curtis, Director of School Development via email on collette.curtis@northamptondiocese.org Full information for the position and an application form can be found by visiting <https://northamptondiocese.org/jobs/> Closing date for applications is Tuesday 19th April. Interviews will take place w/c 25th April.

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.