



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



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OL = Our Lady's

SH = Sacred Heart

**31<sup>st</sup> January/1<sup>st</sup> February 2026**

**Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

<b>Saturday</b>	OL	9.30am	St. John Bosco	Anthonia Trezise R.I.P. (Anniversary)
	SH	5.30pm	Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A	Damien Murphy (sick)
<b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February</b>	OL	9.15am		People of the parishes
	SH	10.30am		Eileen Vaughan R.I.P.
Monday	SH	9.30am	Feast of the Presentation of the Lord	Mavis Midgeley-Bryan R.I.P.
Tuesday	OL	9.30am		Joyce D'monte R.I.P.
Wednesday	SH	9.30am		Matthew Kavanagh R.I.P.
Thursday	OL	9.30am	St. Agatha	Richard Palmer (sick)
Friday	SH	9.30am	St. Paul Miki & Companions	Marie & Jim Coeur de Lion (Thanksgiving)
<b>Saturday</b>	OL	9.30am	Our Lady	Arthur Mawby R.I.P. (birthday)
	SH	5.30pm	Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A	Dany Tole R.I.P.
<b>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> February</b>	OL	9.15am		Cilla & Bernard Johnson (Wedding Anniversary)
	SH	10.30am		Fred Bason 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.

**Anniversaries:** Austin Cuffy, Anthonia Trezise, Richard Moss, Marie Adams, Paul Easton, Ronald Longrigg, Charles Wilson, Theresa Lovelady, Mavis Midgeley-Bryan, Sarah Drae, George Hollebone, Teresa Gallard, Mary Newman, Ellen Keogh, Bob O'Rourke, Eileen Coote, Margaret Newman, Mary Huntley, Anita Borucki, Laura Burnett, Lisa Parkinson, Danny Toal. **R.I.P.**

**Please pray for all our recently deceased.** John Fleming, Jim Fox.

**Please pray for all our sick.**

**The Holy Father's Special Intention.** We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

**Adoration on Mondays at the Sacred Heart.** Due to the cold weather, we have paused Adoration on Mondays until further notice.

**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.

**CAFOD: The Big Lent Walk.** Are you ready for a challenge this Lent? How about walking 200km in 40 days for life-saving water? Walk anytime, anywhere for 40 days – raise funds for life-saving water. Your sponsorship can and will change lives. Every £1 raised through the Big Lent Walk will help to bring life-saving water to communities in places like Ethiopia and Peru. See the poster in the porch and go to <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/> to sign up and for more information.

**Thank you.** A huge thank you from the Kavanagh family. Through donations following Matt's funeral and online, £352.50 has been raised for Cynthia Spencer and the Alzheimer's Society.

**Journey with Jesus through Lent.** During Lent, the Pastoral Development Vicariate is offering you the opportunity for weekly online small-group sessions (various days & times are available) to help individuals deepen their relationship with Jesus through Scripture. Using St Beuno's Outreach Prego resources, each 45 mins session invites you to pray and reflect on Scripture for the coming Sunday. It runs once a week for 6 weeks, starting w/c 16 February. Sign up at <https://northamptondiocese.org/lenten-journey/>

**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](mailto:hr.admin@northamptondiocese.org) This vacancy remains open until the position is filled.

**LUX.** 13-15<sup>th</sup> February 2026 at Kings Park Centre, Northampton. Ages 11-18 (school years 7-13). £110. LUX is our diocesan residential weekend for teens that happens in February every year. It's for those in school years 7 – 13 and is a weekend packed with activity. Every year we explore a theme through workshops, dramas, music, worship, Mass, prayer times, games, inputs, and time with friends. This year's theme is Belong. Visit [nymo.org/lux-belong-2026/](https://nymo.org/lux-belong-2026/) or email [NYMO@northamptondiocese.com](mailto:NYMO@northamptondiocese.com) to find out more.

**The Ascent.** Are you 16-18 and looking to grow in your faith? Then you need to know about The Ascent. The Ascent is a one-of-a-kind process of discipleship run by volunteers across the UK for people in school years 10-12. It partners with organisations like NYMO to bring young people together to learn about their faith and grow in relationship with Jesus. There are three parts to the process:

- 3 residential weekends per year providing opportunities for teaching and formation in the Catholic faith, encounter with Jesus Christ, personal prayer, and envisioning of your next steps.
- Weekly 'PoDs' (Pockets of Disciples) which are small groups who meet together online for friendship and formation.
- Monthly 1:1 mentoring giving you a space to talk, process, and get support from a trained member of the team.

Contact NYMO ([NYMO@northamptondiocese.com](mailto:NYMO@northamptondiocese.com)) or visit their website to find out more ([nymo.org/the-ascent-2](https://nymo.org/the-ascent-2)). There are only 6 places left for the 2026 group so don't miss out!

**Born for This.** The Cathedral, Northampton. 6pm on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March. Weston Favell Academy students will be taking to the stage to share a moving and powerful depiction of the stations of the cross (lasting approx. an hour). It is FREE to all. Donations welcome.

**Safeguarding Survey for the Youth.** The diocesan Safeguarding team is looking at how young people perceive safeguarding and how they receive information from a diocesan level. They want to know how we can communicate better so if you are aged 11 to 18, please take 5 minutes to complete a few questions using this link:

[Northampton Diocese Safeguarding Feedback 2025 - Youth – Fill in form](https://northamptondiocese.com/safeguarding-feedback-2025-youth) or by scanning the QR code:



**Catechist Formation - Bishop's Certificate in Catechesis (Level 1).** Are you called to be a catechist? Do you want to grow in confidence and understanding as you accompany others on their faith journey? This online training course draws from Scripture, Church documents, and lived experience. It is ideal for both new and experienced catechists. The course is 7 virtual sessions from 7.30-9pm, starting Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February, with the remaining sessions on 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> March and 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> April. For more info, Zoom links, course materials go to: <https://northamptondiocese.org/courses/bishops-certificate-in-catechesis-level-1-february-2026/>. Includes refreshments. No fixed fee but donations welcomed.

**Lenten quiz.** The Knights of St Columba are holding a Lenten quiz at 7pm on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February at St Francis & St Therese, East Hunsbury, Northampton, NN4 0RZ. Just £5 buys your refreshments, fun and entertainment. FREE for children. The proceeds go to the Bishop's vocation fund, so justify your Lenten jollity, knowing you are doing something positive. Please contact William on [wpcurrie@btinternet.com](mailto:wpcurrie@btinternet.com) so we can organise refreshments or just turn up on the night. The winning team gets prizes and they won't be sackcloth and ashes!

**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](mailto:safeguarding@northamptondiocese.org) Support is offered before, during and after appointments.

**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](https://www.caspar.church/me?ID=56012)

Sacred Heart: [www.caspar.church/me?ID=56062](https://www.caspar.church/me?ID=56062)

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