



HEART TO HEART

Newsletter of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish
Part of the Diocese of Northampton, Province of Westminster and Deanery of St Alban

15th Sunday - Year A - Psalter Week 3 - 12th July 2020

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While the Holy obligation to attend Sunday Mass continues to be suspended, you are very welcome to attend one of the four public Masses per week in our Church, as indicated in red bold type below.

The capacity of the Church will be considerably reduced to meet the two metre distancing rules to approximately 50 to 60 attendees per Mass so we would encourage use of the Wednesday 9.30am Mass to reduce the weekend numbers.

Attendees from one household can sit together, but must maintain two metre distancing from other individuals and households. Once full capacity has been reached, no more people will be able to enter the Church.

You are advised not to attend Mass if you are medically vulnerable, shielding, living with somebody who is shielding, or if you are over 70 years of age. You must not attend Mass if you have Covid-19 or flu like symptoms.

All other private Masses during the week (i.e. any not listed in red bold type below), will be will be conducted by Fr Mirek without a congregation. Please do not come to the Church at any other times, unless you have arranged an appointment with Fr Mirek.

Saturday 11th Public Mass	6.30pm	Mel McNabola RIP	First Mass of Sunday St Benedict Day of Prayer for Euope
Sunday 12th Public Masses	9.00am 11.00am	Margaret McPartland RIP People of the Parish	
Monday 13th		Mary McGovern RIP	St Henry
Tuesday 14th FUNERAL	10.00am	SHEILA CECILIA WINIFRED EGAN RIP	St Camillus
Wednesday 15th Public Mass	9.30am	Esther Ashmore RIP Elizabeth Heasley RIP	St Bonaventure
FUNERAL	11.30am	MARIE NADEGE ANDRE RIP	
Thursday 16th		Gaston and Yvonne Andre RIP	Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Friday 17th		Marie Nadege Andre RIP	
Saturday 18th Public Mass	6.30pm	Jim Rolleston RIP	First Mass of Sunday St Edburga of Bicester

<i>Entrance Antiphon</i>	As for me, in justice I shall behold your face, I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.
<i>Psalm Response</i>	Some seed fell into rich soil and produced its crop.
<i>Gospel Acclamation</i>	Alleluia, alleluia! Speak Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!
<i>Communion Antiphon</i>	The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

There will be no paper copies of the Newsletter provided in the Church and there will be no singing or hymn books. There are no confessions except by necessity and no Rosary until further notice. There will be an offering collection as you exit the Church, thank you for your continued generosity to the Church. No pastoral visits will be made to people who are self-isolating until the isolation period ends. However, phone support is available, please phone Fr Mirek on **01582 723099**.

To ensure compliance with pandemic regulations, if you attend Mass please:

- Follow the stewards' instructions and requests
- Sanitise your hands on both entry and exit
- Follow the signed entrance and one-way system
- Don't use the kneelers, toilets or water taps
- Observe the two metre distancing rule at all times
- Minimise contact with surfaces and other households
- Ensure children stay with parents/guardians at all times
- Complete an attendance contact card before leaving

Thank you also to the Parishioners who have volunteered as cleaners and stewards to enable us to open the Church for the Masses to take place, however, **we urgently need more volunteers to continue having public Masses**, so please seriously consider if you might be able to offer some of your time to help out.

The main role of the stewards is to manage the safe entrance, participation and exit of worshippers to the Church via the one-way system. The key role of the cleaners is to be available before and after each Mass to sanitise the Church areas that have been opened up.

If you are under 70 years of age, not shielding or living with somebody that is shielding and do not have any medical conditions that render you vulnerable and wish to volunteer for these two roles then email the Parish office on sacredheartluton@yahoo.co.uk.

The Parish office remains closed and all Parish staff continue to be on furlough. The Parish administration is being managed remotely on a voluntary basis via email: sacredheartluton@yahoo.co.uk. The Parish website www.sacredheartluton.org also contains useful information and updates.

New Mass intentions can be requested by emailing the Parish office at sacredheartluton@yahoo.co.uk. The sacraments of Confirmation, First Holy Communion, Presentations and Baptisms are deferred until Public Health advice permits gathering safely.

RIP: Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently - Mary McGovern, Sheila Cecilia Winifred Egan, Marie Nadege Andre, Jim Rolleston, Margaret Strongman and Margaret McPartland. Please also remember their families and friends in your thoughts and prayers at this very difficult time.

Sheila Cecilia Winifred Egan RIP:

Funeral Mass at Sacred Heart Church - 10.00am Tuesday 14th July - maximum 30 attendees
Committal at The Vale Cemetery Small Chapel - 11.30am Tuesday 14th July

Marie Nadege Andre RIP:

Funeral Mass Sacred Heart Church - 11.30am Wednesday 15th July - maximum 30 attendees
Followed by burial at The Vale Cemetery - 12.30pm at the graveside

CHURCH NEWSPAPERS AVAILABLE TO READ: Visit www.churchpaper.co.uk/

PARISH PRAYER GROUP: The Parish Prayer Group is continuing to pray in twos and threes on the phone and would be pleased to pray for any intentions. Please email your intentions to sacredheartluton@yahoo.co.uk

MARY HOGAN: Mary's family have asked Sacred Heart community to remember Mary in our prayers as she has taken a turn for the worse. Please also remember in your prayers Mary's family during this very worrying time.

PARISH GIVING: In addition to being able to use the 'Standing Order' and 'Online' routes to make a weekly donation (see <https://www.sacredheartluton.org/>), Northampton Cathedral has additionally set up a simple 'Giving Tuesday' process. Each Tuesday between **10.00am** and **4.00pm**, a member of the Cathedral team will be available by phone for you to donate to your parish community over the telephone. To donate simply call **01604 712065** with your debit or credit card details. **Thank you for your continued generosity in these difficult times.**

HELPING THE ELDERLY AND THE VULNERABLE IN THE COMMUNITY: Please do what you safely can to help any elderly or vulnerable individuals in the community you are aware of, especially those living alone. Keep in touch with them. A phone call, a letter or note, an email or text, can make all the difference to someone who may be feeling lonely at this time. Please print and safely pass on a copy of this newsletter to Parishioners who do not have online access. If you know of any elderly or vulnerable individuals in the community who would value receiving pastoral care by telephone then please encourage them to contact the Parish Office by email or phone or, with their permission, email their contact details to the Parish Office.

ANNIVERSARIES: Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Franci Brooks 1978; Michael Curren 1991; Hugh Duffy 1972; Kate (Catherine) White 2011; Carmela Clark 1983; Kazimierz Kaczan 1993; James O'Sullivan 2005; Charles Moffat 1971; Natalie Jones 1989; James Rodger 1994; Mięczysław "Mitch" Menzel 2018; Luke Doherty 1987; Eugene Brady 1980; Frederick Blakey 1984; Martin Baker 1999; Alexander Lang 2002; John Smythe 1996.

✠ **May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen**