



Heart to Heart

Newsletter of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, Luton – Registered Charity Number 234091
Diocese of Northampton, Deanery of St Alban

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year A - Sunday 25th June 2023

Responsorial Psalm

In your great love, answer me, O God.

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PARISH OFFICE: Open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10.00am until 12 Noon. When leaving a voicemail message please state the date and provide a contact number.

SECOND COLLECTION: In aid of Mission Appeal to raise funds for the mission activity support services of our diocese in four key areas: Youth Ministry; Social Action; Catholic Education and Evangelisation. See additional information later in this Newsletter.

Saturday 24 th June	11.00am 5.45pm 6.30pm	Confession Evening Prayer Mary Quinn RIP	NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST
Sunday 25 th June	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am BAPTISM 5.00pm	Morning Prayer People of Our Parish Tom Purcell RIP (Birthday) Ella Ruby Cassidy Carter Fearne Christelle Wheatley First Holy Communion Thanksgiving Mass First Holy Communion Celebration Party	TWELFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
PARISH HALL			
Monday 26 th June	9.30am	Dyron DaCosta (Birthday Intention)	
Tuesday 27 th June	9.30am	Margaret Strongman RIP	
Wednesday 28 th June	9.30am	Kay Trayner RIP	St Irenaeus of Lyon
Thursday 29 th June SH KS2 Attending Parish Hall	9.30am 11.00am 7.30pm	People of Our Parish Thursday Club Brian Hill RIP	SS PETER & PAUL
Friday 30 th June	10.00am 11.00am	Prayer Group REQUIEM: PATRICIA READER RIP	
Saturday 1 st July	11.00am 5.45pm 6.30pm	Confession Evening Prayer People of Our Parish	
Sunday 2 nd July	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am BAPTISM	Morning Prayer Marion O'Shea (Birthday Intention) Mary Brigid & Patrick Joseph McGovern RIP Caden Joseph Michael Jones Theodore Lukas Kent-Purcell	THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JUNE: For the abolition of torture: We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.

ASSEMBLY INSIGHT: Week 10 – 25th June

Part of the Synod process has been our *We Are Listening* campaign

(<https://northamptondiocese.org/wearelistening/>) We pray for all who have been involved in this process, for open and healing conversation.

"I prefer a Church which is bruised, hurting and dirty because it has been out on the streets, rather than a Church which is unhealthy from being confined and from clinging to its own security."

Pope Francis, *The Joy of the Gospel*, 49

MISSION APPEAL: This weekend 24th/25th June there is a second collection for the mission appeal. If you have returned with your envelope, please place it in the basket at the end of Mass.

If you do not have an envelope all donations are welcome. You can give online by visiting the diocesan website www.northamptondiocese.org/appeal

Your support will strengthen the mission of our Church in the important areas of youth ministry, social action, Catholic education and evangelisation. Thank you for your prayers and generosity.

WELCOME: A warm welcome to Ella Ruby Cassidy Carter and Fearnie Christelle Wheatley who are to be baptised into the community of Sacred Heart Parish this weekend.

RIP: Please pray for all those who have died recently especially Charles 'Charlie' Timoney, Patricia Reader and Teresa Roe. Please keep Charlie, Patricia, Teresa, their families and friends in your thoughts and prayers at this very sad and difficult time.

FUNERAL DETAILS: Patricia Reader RIP, Friday 30th June, 11.00am Requiem at Sacred Heart

CONGRATULATIONS: To all of our young parishioners who received the Eucharist for the first time last weekend. Please continue to keep all the First Holy Communicants in your prayers. Thank you to everybody who contributed to this very special day. This weekend the First Holy Communicants will participate in a Mass of Thanksgiving followed by a Celebration Party in the Parish Hall.

THURSDAY CLUB: Every Thursday in the Parish Hall 10.00am-12 Noon. All welcome!

BLESSING OF GRAVES: Luton Catholic Parishes, Blessing of Graves 2023:
Church Cemetery – Crawley Green Road – Sunday 25th June, 3.00pm
General Cemetery – Rothesay Road – Sunday 2nd July, 3.00pm
The Vale – Sunday 16th July, 3.00pm

READERS' ROTA: The Readers' Rota for 2nd July 2023 to 27th August 2023 is on the Noticeboard. Deacon Jim has emailed a copy to Readers. Copies are also available in the Foyer.

SECOND COLLECTION: Next weekend 1st/2nd July, there will be a second collection at all Masses in aid of Peter's Pence.

PRAYER FOR OUR NEEDS, THOSE OF THE PARISH AND BEYOND: All are invited to meet for prayer on Fridays generally after 9.30am Mass or at 10.00am if no Mass.

FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH DEVOTION: Saturday 1st July 2023, Our Lady's, Luton. Commencing 8.30am Rosary, 9am Confession and Silent Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (during this time 15 mins silent reflection on the mysteries of the Rosary). 9:30am Mass. All are welcome to attend. Website for further information

<https://worldfatima-englandwales.org.uk/the-five-first-saturdays-devotion-explained/>

ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE (PATRON SAINT OF INDIA) FEAST DAY: Monday 3rd July 2023, Our Lady's Luton, 7.00pm Mass followed by refreshments. All welcome.

PARISH CENSUS: We do not have an up-to-date Census in the Parish. We plan to carry this out over the following weekends 2nd/9th/16th July. All parishioners are requested to kindly complete a Census. This will be necessary for Sacramental preparation, contact details for parishioners, school entry etc. Forms will be available nearer the time.

THE BECKET FESTIVAL - FEAST OF THE TRANSLATION OF THE RELICS OF SAINT THOMAS BECKET: 7th-9th July – Northampton Cathedral. See Noticeboard for further information.

THE BECKET LECTURE: Dr Judith Champs' lecture which is part of the upcoming Becket festival. The complicated Saint: Thomas Becket and English Catholics. Sunday 9th July at 3.00pm at the St Thomas Centre at Northampton Cathedral.

NATIONAL CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS' PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM 2023: Sunday 23rd July from 11.00am-4.00pm. A day of faith and fun for all the family. Pilgrimage Mass at midday in the Chapel of Reconciliation. Come and celebrate the feast of St Anne and St Joachim with Bishop David. For further information please see the Poster on the Noticeboard.

PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM IN REPARATION AND PRAYER FOR THE SANCTITY OF LIFE: Led by Most Rev. Kevin McDonald, Archbishop Emeritus of Southwark. Saturday 5th August, 12 Noon Pilgrim Mass in the Chapel of Reconciliation. Further information see Poster on the Noticeboard with full booking details and departure locations and times.

MASS INTENTIONS: Due to unforeseen circumstances sometimes requested Mass Intentions have to be moved. We apologise for any inconvenience caused. Please always check the Newsletter.

APPOINTMENTS: If you have any concerns or sacramental requests, or any documentation etc that you wish to discuss with Fr Allan or Fr James please arrange a mutually convenient appointment by phoning or emailing the Parish Office. Thank you.

NOAH BINS: The NOAH bins will be at Sacred Heart Church the weekend of 8th/9th July. NOAH are in need of good quality, pre-loved clothes. Bric-a-brac is also welcome which can be sold in their shops e.g., books, toys, ornaments etc. Please donate your good quality pre-loved goods to help others.

ANNIVERSARIES: Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Anthony McGrath 2005; Patrick McGovern 2006; John Michael Christopher Collins 2022; William Purcell 1979; Sheilagh Farrell 1992; Noel Flynn 2010; Marie Nadege Andre 2020; Leno Besagni 1964; Francis Wilson 1975; James O'Donnell 1980; James Walsh 1993; Alice Lloyd 2004; Charles McEwan 2005; Sheila Egan 2020; Patrick Leonard 1976; Colin Draper 1983; Edward Greaves 1992; Diane Langan 2006; Maureen Muttock 2014; Agnes Lang 2011; Sarah Courtney 2020; Francis Bradley 1995; William Connaghton 2005; Jean Blake 2006; Francis Lynch 1969; Joseph Oates 1980 ✠ **May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.**