Heart to Heart

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

Year C – Sunday 6TH July 2025
FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:	**Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.**

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Saturday 5th July	**12 Noon** 5.45pm 6.00pm-6.20pm 6.30pm	**Becket Festival Mass, Northampton Cathedral** Evening Prayer Confessions Simon Comerford RIP (60th Birthday)	**PATRONAGE OF ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY**
Sunday 6th July	8.30am 9.00am 11.00am	Morning Prayer People of Our Parish Danny Bonner RIP	**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**
Monday 7th July	9.30am		
Tuesday 8th July	9.30am **11.00am**	Charles Sweeney RIP **REQUIEM: BRIDGET 'BREDA' CAREY**	
Wednesday 9th July	9.30am **11.30am**	**FUNERAL SERVICE: ALBERT WAITE**	
Thursday 10th July	**NO MASS** **10.00am-12 Noon** **7.00pm**	**THURSDAY CLUB** **Baptism Preparation Class**	
Friday 11th July	**NO MASS**		**ST BENEDICT, ABBOT, PATRON OF EUROPE**
Saturday 12th July	5.45pm 6.00pm-6.20pm 6.30pm	Evening Prayer Confessions Mel McNabola RIP	
Sunday 13th July	8.30am 9.00am 11.00am	Morning Prayer McCormack Family Members RIP People of Our Parish	**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

PARISH HALL: Teas and coffees available after Sunday 11.00am Mass. All are welcome!

CONFESSION: Please note Confessions are available 6.00pm - 6.20pm every Saturday or by appointment.

MORNING PRAYER: This week: Morning Prayer: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 8.50am, followed by Rosary – all welcome!

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY: For formation in discernment.
Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

MASS INTENTIONS: Mass intentions moved for unforeseen reasons (e.g. funerals) will be honoured on another day. Please provide contact details when requesting intentions and check the weekly newsletters.

PARISH OFFICE: Please note the Parish Office will be open on Wednesday and Friday this week.

RIP: Please remember all who have died recently especially Bridget Carey, Maureen Abram, Albert Waite. Please keep Bridget, Maureen, Albert, their families and friends in your thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.

FUNERAL DETAILS:
Bridget 'Breda' Carey RIP, Requiem 11.00am Tuesday 8th July at Sacred Heart.
Albert Waite RIP, Funeral Service 11.30am Wednesday 9th July at Sacred Heart.
Maureen Abram RIP, Funeral Service 1.00pm Wednesday 23rd July at the Vale.

CALLED & EQUIPPED 2025-6: Would you love to go deeper in your faith? Is now the time to take the next step? Our year-long *Called & Equipped* course gets going again in October, offering the opportunity to explore the foundations of Catholic theology with a like-minded community of faith. Find out more here: **https://northamptondiocese.org/called-equipped/** or sign up for one of our introductory webinars here **https://www.tickettailor.com/events/northamptondiocese.**

NOAH: Please note NOAH Blue Bins will not be available to accept donations at Sacred Heart during the month of July. Please do not leave any donations in the Foyer.

LUTON PASTORAL AREA: ADMISSION TO CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN SEPTEMBER 2026;
SIGN UP SUNDAYS: This weekend 5th/6th July is a Sign Up Sunday. Catholic Schools may ask for your priest to sign a form stating that you are a practising Catholic family. If you need this for any Catholic school within Luton or elsewhere in the diocese you must collect a SIGN UP CARD. Cards available in the Foyer. On given Sundays in the coming months your priest will sign this card if you are present at Mass with the child[ren] involved. **The responsibility for this lies with parents/guardians/carers alone.** Please pick up a Sign Up Card in the Foyer. **Families must be registered on CASPAR.**

JUBILEE CONCERT: Bach, Mozart, Handel, A Jubilee Concert by Soprano Michaela Agius and Organist Joe Leslie on Wednesday 9th July, 7.30pm at Holy Ghost Church, Luton LU4 8JD. Everyone Is Invited. This is a concert of popular Musical Classics. This event is free of charge but there will be an organised paper collection (£5 and above) to cover the expenses of the concert. For more Information call Mark 01582724940

D-SUMMER: A summer residential event in July for everyone aged 11-18 (in School years 7-13). This year it will be from **Friday 11th** to **Sunday 13th July.** We can't wait to partner with the Sion Community again this year for this event. We had such a great time last year, and we can't wait to see what God's got in store for us this time round. More information and the booking link can be found on NYMO's webpage: **https://nymo.org/d-summer/**

YOUTH GROUP - LUTON AND DUNSTABLE: If you are between 15 and 33 join other young people for some prayer, chat and pizza @ St Joseph's Parish Centre Saturday 12th July, 7.00pm.
For info **vincentmasterson2000@gmail.com.**

SECOND COLLECTION: Next weekend 12th/13th July, there will be a second collection at all Masses for Stella Maris: Sea Sunday.

OLIVE WOOD CARVINGS FROM THE HOLY LAND: Next weekend Sacred Heart Church welcomes the Good Shepherd Company from the Holy land (Bethlehem) which is based in Nottingham. Their goal is to support and help the Christian families in the Holy land, to stay at work as olive wood carvers as this is an important source of income for them, as 90% of the Christians rely on this sale.
So, by selling their products here on their behalf, this will prevent the Christians from leaving the country in search of better work opportunities. Please support.

HARVESTERS MEN'S WEEKEND: Is coming to Milton Keynes for the first time in 25 years, 19th-20th July. Great venue: Kents Hill Park, swimming pool and Gym. To book go to **https://harvesters.org.uk**
From 11am Saturday, full board accommodation, ends Sunday after lunch. Information Mike 07778124270. Encouraging talks, engaging conversations, praise and worship, Saturday evening bar, Holy Mass on Sunday.

NOTRE DAME HIGH SCHOOL: 50th Anniversary Mass at Northampton Cathedral to mark the closure of Notre Dame High School with the Choir of St Thomas Becket School is at Noon on Saturday July 19th. There will be a Reception after for Past Pupils in The St Thomas Centre. Please contact Cathy Chaplin on 07802913124 or **cathychaplin@hotmail.co.uk** for more details if you would like to attend the Reception. Thank you.

WOMEN OF HOPE: A SPECIAL DIOCESAN EVENT: The Women in Ministry group in the Diocese of Northampton are running a special event on Saturday 19th July at St Mary's Woburn Sands from 11am-4pm. An opportunity for women across the Diocese to gather, share and celebrate the stories of ministries past and present. Avril Baigent will share her experiences of the Synod in Rome and lead all in a synodal listening process. Bishop David will also be joining for the day and the final liturgy. All are welcome! Sign-up using the following link: **https://www.tickettailor.com/events/northamptondiocese/1600230** For more information, please contact Helen Burgess at **helen.burgess@northamptondiocese.org**

SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL: SHARING THE GOOD NEWS OF OUR SCHOOL AND TRUST COMMUNITY: Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School joined the St Thomas Catholic Academies Trust in October last year. At the end of a very busy academic year, we wanted to tell you about the things we have been doing to ensure the school continues to thrive - there is lots to share! Please scan the QR code to read more about what we have been doing, or go to **https://www.sacredheartluton.org.uk/catholic-life/parish-leaflet/**

PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM FOR THE SANCTITY OF LIFE: Saturday 2nd August 2025. Led by Bishop John Keenan. Coaches leave St Mary's Dunstable at 7.20am, St Joseph's Luton at 7.40am (No parking – Vigil Mass that evening), Our Lady's Luton at 8.00am. Adults £26.00, children, teenagers and students £8.00. **Seats reserved only with payment**. Bring a packed lunch and drinks. For more information go to **www.prolifepilgrimage.org** and to book **kevin.drew@btinternet.com** or 07802 525581.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: If you wish to have your child baptised at Sacred Heart Church a Baptism Preparation Class must be undertaken before Baptism can go ahead. The dates for the Baptism Preparation Classes are as follows: Thursday 4th September, 7.00pm; Thursday 6th November, 7.00pm. Please speak to Deacon Jim or contact the Parish Office.

LUTON CATHOLIC PASTORAL AREA BLESSING OF THE GRAVES:
Sunday 6th July – 3.00pm - Rothesay Rd and Sunday 13th July – 3.00pm - The Vale

ACCOMMODATION NEEDED FROM 1ST SEPTEMBER 2025: Our newly appointed employee within St Thomas Catholic Academies Trust is new to the area and is looking to rent a studio apartment or one bedroom property. Ideal locations are Aylesbury, High Wycombe or outskirts of Luton. It's for a male non-smoker and he would prefer somewhere without pets. If you know of something suitable, please contact Radek on r.madajczyk@yahoo.co.uk to discuss further.

PARISH WEEKLY COLLECTION: Figures for w/e 29th June 2025 Envelopes £642.74; Loose cash £302.88; Total: £945.62 Thank you. As many already do, you can Gift Aid your donation, enabling us to claim from the government an extra 25p for every £1 you donate at no extra cost to you. You can also donate by card via the DONA Machine located in the church.

RIP ANNIVERSARIES: Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:
Mary Brigid McGovern 2020; James Geraghty 1991; Alan Hannon 1978; Patricia Platt 2007; Eleanor Arthur 1967; Leonard Wromald 1978; Nora Kane 1989; John Burke 1995; Teresa Onyszkiewicz 2001; George Storey 2017; Charles Henry Augustus Sweeney 2020; Elizabeth Duff 1982; Sarah McGrath 2020; Stephen McLoughlin 2003; John Gormley 2023; Baby Saunders 1980; Gordon Little 2008; Geraldine Teresa Baker 2008; Christina Burns 2017; Mary Hogan 2020; John McAvoy 1993 ✠ **May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.**

PARISH REGISTRATION: To complete your parish registration, please use the QR code on the right, or go to **www.caspar.church/me?ID=56040**, or contact the parish office for assistance.