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 20th July 2025
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:	**O Lord, who may abide in your tent?**

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Saturday 19th July	5.45pm 6.00pm-6.20pm 6.30pm	Evening Prayer Confessions Jerry Daly RIP & Deceased Members of the Daly Family	
Sunday 20th July	8.30am 9.00am 11.00am **BAPTISM**	Morning Prayer Finnerty Family RIP People of Our Parish KAYLA ADANNAYA ONUKWUFOR	**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**
Monday 21st July	9.30am	Gregorio Vas RIP (1st Anniversary)	
Tuesday 22nd July	9.30am	Maria Immaculada Recio (Healing) Prayer Group	**ST MARY MAGDALENE, APOSTLE TO THE APOSTLES**
Wednesday 23rd July	9.30am **The Vale:11.00am** **The Vale: 1.00pm**	**Funeral Service: Anthony Neeson** **Funeral Service: Maureen Abram**	**ST BRIDGET OF SWEDEN**
Thursday 24th July	9.30am **10.00am-12 Noon** **12 Noon -**	**THURSDAY CLUB** **AFTERNNOON TEA**	
Friday 25th July	9.30am	Fr Patrick Oates RIP (Foundation Mass)	**ST JAMES, APOSTLE**
Saturday 26th July	5.45pm 6.00pm-6.20pm 6.30pm	Evening Prayer Confessions Private Intention - Healing	**SS Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
Sunday 27th July	8.30am 9.00am 11.00am	Morning Prayer Aparecido Vianna RIP (1st Anniversary) People of Our Parish	**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME** **FIFTH WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY**

PARISH HALL: Teas and coffees will be available this Sunday 20th July after 11.00am Mass in the Parish Lounge. Teas and coffees to resume next weekend 27th July after Sunday 11.00am Mass in the Parish Hall. This will be the last weekend until Sunday 7th September. The Parish Hall will be closed during August for deep cleaning. Thank you to Judy and Wes for all their hard work and dedication to the Parish.
Looking forward to welcoming you all back for tea and coffee on the 7th September after 11.00am Mass!

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

MORNING PRAYER: This week: Morning Prayer: Monday-Friday 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.

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

FUNERAL DETAILS:
Anthony Neeson RIP, Funeral Service 11.00am Wednesday 23rd July at the Vale.
Maureen Abram RIP, Funeral Service 1.00pm Wednesday 23rd July at the Vale.

GREGORIO VAS RIP: Please remember Gregorio Vas RIP in your prayers and keep his family members and friends in your thoughts and prayers as they lovingly honour Gregorio on his first anniversary.

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 19th/20th 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. Families must be registered on CASPAR.**

THURSDAY CLUB – AFTERNOON TEA INVITATION: Thursday 24th July at 12.00 Noon. Tea/coffee and bingo at 10.00am as usual. **This will be the last session until Thursday 4th September.** Thank you to all the volunteers who work so hard throughout the year to provide this opportunity for all to socialise.

ST THOMAS CATHOLIC ACADEMIES TRUST: This Weekend Sunday 20th July, Sacred Heart Church welcomes Joe Richardson CEO (Strategic Executive Lead) St Thomas Catholic Academies Trust who will be talking about the Trust's work.

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/

FREE SUMMER HOLIDAY CAMPS: For children on free school meals in Luton, keeping them active, healthy and happy through the holidays. Providing them with great activities and nutritious meals. **Wednesday 23rd July - Friday 29th August 2025.** Book online at **www.energiseluton.co.uk** or call 01582 400272 to find out more.
What's included? Tasty nutritious meals with friends. Enriching activities; such as arts & crafts, swimming, music, creative games and fun activities. (See Poster on the Noticeboard.)

VENERATION OF RELICS OF ST. COLUMBA, ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND AND ST. ANDREW:
At St Mary's Church West Street, Dunstable – 26th-28th July 2025.
Saturday 26th July 2025 from 4.00pm to 7.30pm inclusive of the 6.00pm Mass.
Sunday 27th July 2025 from 08.30am until 1.30pm inclusive of both the 9.30am and 11.30am Masses.
Monday 28th July 2025 from 08.00am departing after the 9.30am Mass.

FIFTH WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY: Sunday, 27th July. This year's theme, "Blessed are those who have not lost hope" (cf. Sir 14:2), echoes the spirit of the Jubilee of Hope and reminds us of the powerful witness offered by older generations. To read Pope Leo's message, visit: **https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/en/bollettino/pubblico/2025/07/10/250710b.html**

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.

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM: Monday 25th August 2025 at the Catholic National Shrine led by Fr Zvonimir Pavicic OFM, Parish Priest of St James, Medjugorje. (For further information please see Poster on the Noticeboard.)

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 **20th** November, 7.00pm. Please speak to Deacon Jim or contact the Parish Office. (Please note change of date for the November Preparation Class.)

PARISH WEEKLY COLLECTION: Figures for w/e 13th July 2025 Envelopes £662.52; Loose cash £281.47; Total: £943.99 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:
John Smythe 1996; Lesley Harper 2023; John Hamilton 1967; Evelyn Baker 1982; Thomas Mifsud 1987; Carmel Nally 2016; Anna Demeter 2024; Vincent John Whittaker 2018; Frederick Flynn 2006; Mary Ellen Ryan 2017; Wilma Gertrude Ward 2018; Kathleen 'Kathy' McLeod 2022; Sheila McCarthy 1996; James Patrick Gralton 2024; Maura O'Hara 1997; Emily Carroll 1960; Miezyslav Pilc 1971; Hannah Lavelle 1973; William Hughes 1979; Mary Taylor 1983; John Walsh 1986; Margaret Motherway 2001; John Hamill 2003; Colin Gallagher 2005; Joseph Kevin Kearns 2016; Thomas Patrick Clarke; Mary Rilley 1972; Margarita Kammel 1975; Mary Brogan 1993; Baby Charlie Cawley 2006; Aileen Webb 2007; Patrick Brothers 2013; Fr. Patrick Oates 1975; Christopher Balfe 1989; Mr Kwiecien 1997; Joan McIlroy 2024✠ **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.