



# Heart to Heart

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

**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**Year A - Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2023**

<b>Responsorial Psalm</b>	<b>For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.</b>
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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.

**PARISH HALL:** The Parish Hall reopens this week. Welcome back everyone! Teas and Coffees available after Sunday 11.00am Mass. Thursday Club reopens – all very welcome – please note the new attendance time for Thursday Club – 12.30pm-2.30pm.

Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	11.00am 5.45pm 6.30pm	Confession Evening Prayer Deceased Members of the Celine family RIP	
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September <b>PARISH HALL</b>	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am	Morning Prayer Pat Reader RIP People of Our Parish Tea & Coffee	<b>TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	9.30am	Charles 'Charlie' Timoney RIP	
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	9.30am	Joe Beirne (Get Well Wishes) Prayer for our needs, those of the Parish and beyond	
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	9.30am <b>11.00am</b>	Teresa Roe RIP <b>REQUIEM: Nora Naughton RIP</b>	
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> Sept. <b>PARISH HALL</b>	9.30am <b>12.30pm-2.30pm</b>	Patricia 'Pat' Reader RIP <b>THURSDAY CLUB</b>	
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> September SH KS2 attending	9.30am	Charles 'Charlie' Timoney RIP	<b>NATIVITY OF THE B.V.M.</b>
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> September	11.00am 11.30am 5.45pm 6.30pm	Confession Mass: Catholic Women's Association Evening Prayer People of Our Parish	
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> September <b>PARISH HALL</b>	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am	Morning Prayer Michael King & Deceased Members of the King Family Marie Duffy RIP (Anniversary) Tea & Coffee	<b>TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b> <b>Day of Prayer for all involved in Education</b>

**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER: For people living on the margins:** We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

**RIP:** Please pray for all those who have died recently especially Nora Naughton and Maria Dove. Please keep Nora, Maria, their families and friends in your thoughts and prayers at this very sad and difficult time.

**WELCOME BACK:** To all Staff and Pupils commencing/returning to Nursery, School, College or University following the Summer break - wishing all a successful year in education.

**FAREWELL TO FR ANDY RICHARDSON:** All are cordially invited to come along and say goodbye to Fr Andy on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September beginning with Mass at 7.30pm at St John's followed by light refreshments in the Parish Hall.

**CWA AGM:** The Catholic Women's Association (Portsmouth Diocese Branch) will be holding their AGM at Sacred Heart Parish on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September, 10:30am to 4.00pm. Mass at 11.30am.

**DIOCESE VACANCIES:** Full time Youth Minister and Part time Youth Ministry Social Media and Volunteer Training Officer. If interested visit <https://northamptondiocese.org/jobs/>

**PACT:** Pact (Prison Advice & Care Trust) invites you to join them at a free online JustPeople Workshop on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September OR Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October, 9.00am-1.00pm. Discern the Lord's call to social justice as we join together to promote the Common Good in our communities, reflecting upon Scripture and Catholic Social Teaching through the lens of people affected by imprisonment. All are welcome. Register: <https://bit.ly/3y7eK77>

**PRAYER FOR OUR NEEDS, THOSE OF THE PARISH AND BEYOND:** All are invited to meet for prayer on **Tuesdays** after 9.30am Mass or at 10.00am when there is not a daily Mass.

**TABLE TOP SALE:** To raise funds for Sacred Heart Parish Hall – **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September 11.00am-2.00pm.** Twenty tables available: £10 booking fee per table, please contact the Parish Office. A good opportunity to sell your goods and make some money! Any unsold items which you do not wish to transport home again can be donated to the NOAH Bins. Entrance fee: £1 per adult. Teas/Coffees available. A call out to any bakers in the Parish to please donate cupcakes which can be sold to raise much needed funds. All cakes to be delivered to the Parish Hall by 10.30am on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September. Please let the Parish Office know if you can provide cakes. Please support your Parish.

**LUTON AND DUNSTABLE PARISHES: REGISTRATION FOR SACRAMENTS 2023/2024: Online registration ONLY** for First Reconciliation (Confession) and First Communion (Year 3 and above in September) and for Confirmation (Year 8 and above in September) **will CLOSE ON 30<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER.** The link to the online sacramental registration forms is [www.lutonpastoralarea.org/registration/](http://www.lutonpastoralarea.org/registration/)

**BOOKING OF SACRED HEART HALL:** Contact Wesley Weekes to check Hall availability and hire cost, email: [hall.sacredheartofjesus@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:hall.sacredheartofjesus@northamptondiocese.org)

**PAUL BRENNAN:** The Parish has been asked to pray for Paul Brennan who is seriously ill in hospital. Please also remember his family, in your prayers, at this difficult time.

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:** Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September, 7.30pm in the Parish Hall.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** Due to unforeseen circumstances, sometimes Mass Intentions have to be moved. We apologise for any inconvenience caused. Please check the Newsletter. When requesting a Mass Intention please provide a telephone number or email so that changes can be notified. Please be assured that your Mass Intention will be offered at a later date.

**APPOINTMENTS:** Any concerns, sacramental requests, blessings, documentation etc you wish to discuss with Fr Allan or Fr James please arrange an appointment by phoning or emailing the Parish Office. Thank you.

**BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION:** Wishing **Alan Leaning** a very Happy 75<sup>th</sup> Birthday on the 6<sup>th</sup> September! Congratulations on this wonderful milestone. Love and sincere birthday wishes from your wife Mary and all your family and friends.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** There will be a meeting for Eucharistic Ministers on 27<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm in the Church.

**MISSION NORTHAMPTON:** Is once again organising an outreach to housing estates in the Thrapston/Oundle/Raunds area of the Diocese. This will be similar to the one that was held last October in the Houghton Regis area which you all kindly supported and would agree was a great success. This time the outreach will be organised over 3 separate weeks in September and October with the first week planned to take place from Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September to Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September. Similarly, it will be preceded by a training day on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September at St Paul the Apostle church in Thrapston from 10am to 4pm. Please visit: <http://tiny.cc/thrapstonoutreach> where you can sign up to volunteer to support this outreach during this first week which culminates in a tea/coffee/cakes mission event on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September.

**VACANCIES:** Regina Caeli Academy UK, Meppershall, Beds – Catholic Hybrid Homeschooling. **Centre Co-ordinator (Head Teacher); Tutor; Centre Assistant.** Full details and application forms, visit: <https://mynewterm.com/school/Regina-Caeli-Academy-UK/465772443> **Closing date: Apply by midnight Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023.**

**CAFOD SUPPORTERS' EVENT:** Come and hear about CAFOD's work in Pakistan - our Harvest focus country. We have great speakers who will share their first-hand experiences too.

**Saturday 9th September:** St Teresa's Hall, 40 Warwick Road, **Beaconsfield**, HP9 2PL

**Saturday 16th September:** St Augustine Church - 1 Langcliffe Drive, Heelands, **Milton Keynes** MK13 7PL.

Both are from **10:30am – 1.30pm**

All welcome. To confirm attendance: Telephone: 01494 863 777 or email: [northampton@cafod.org.uk](mailto:northampton@cafod.org.uk).

**RAISING FUNDS:** Table Top Sale is just one event which hopefully, well attended, will help to raise much needed funds towards refurbishing the Parish Hall. Any ideas to promote future fund raising would be appreciated. Please email the Parish Office.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:  
Anne Marie Halloran 1968; John Manning 2007; John Fennelly 2010; Irene Crokes 1965;  
Denis Michael McGrattan 1984; Martin McHugh 1989; Richard Gallagher 2004;  
Harry McHale 2004; Anna Mary Ficeto 2014; Kathleen O'Connor 1979;  
Margaret McKenna 1981; Christopher Mulligan 1996; Rosina Davis 1971;  
Michael Kozyra 1993 ✠ **May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.**