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# HEART TO HEART

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

**24<sup>th</sup> Sunday - Year A - Psalter Week 4 - 13<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

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**MASS ARRANGEMENTS:** The Holy obligation to attend Sunday Mass continues to be suspended, however, you are welcome to attend one of our four weekly public Church Masses on Wednesday, Saturday and two on Sunday, as shown in red bold type below.

To ensure compliance with Covid-19 regulations, if you attend one of our public Masses please:

- **Wear a face mask** - it is **COMPULSORY** unless you're exempt
- Follow the stewards' instructions and requests
- **Sanitise** your hands on both entry and exit
- Follow the signed entrance and **one-way system**
- **Do not** 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
- Wait until Mass attendees have left before lighting candles

To ensure Covid-19 compliance, the Church capacity at each Mass is significantly reduced so, if possible, please go to the Wednesday 9.30am Mass to reduce 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 or over 70 years of age. Please do not attend Mass if you have Covid-19 or flu like symptoms. All other weekly Masses not listed in red bold type below will be celebrated by Fr Mirek privately without a congregation. Please do not come to the Church at any times other times, unless you have an appointment with Fr Mirek.

<b>Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> Public Mass</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Sinead Garahee RIP</b>	<b>The Most Holy Name of Mary</b>
<b>Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Public Masses</b>	<b>9.00am 11.00am</b>	<b>Concepcion Barbera &amp; Antonio Fabrich -Thanksgiving Jim Sweeney RIP</b>	
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup>		Margit Gyenge RIP	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>			Our Lady of Sorrows
<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> Public Mass</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Marianna Remmouche &amp; Family - Thanksgiving</b>	<b>SS Cornelius and Cyprian</b>
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup>		Sarah McGrath RIP	St Robert Bellarmine
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>		Mary McGovern RIP	
<b>Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> Public Mass</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Deceased members of the Ayen Family</b>	<b>Our Lady on Saturday</b>

Entrance Antiphon	<b>Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.</b>
Psalm Response	<b>The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy.</b>
Gospel Acclamation	<b>Alleluia, alleluia! Speak Lord, your servant is listening; you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!</b>
Communion Antiphon	<b>How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.</b>

New Mass intentions can be requested by emailing the Parish office at [sacredheartluton@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sacredheartluton@yahoo.co.uk). There will be no paper copies of the Newsletter provided in the Church and there will be no singing or hymn books. There will be an offertory collection as you exit the Church after Mass, thank you for your continued generosity to the Church.

**SACRAMENTS:** There are no confessions except by necessity and no Rosary until further notice. The Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion are deferred until further notice. Baptisms and Weddings are now permitted provided the arrangements are compliant with the Covid-19 regulations in place at the time of the Sacrament.

**PASTORAL VISITS:** 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.

**PARISH VOLUNTEERS:** We need collection counters to undertake the task in the Parish Hall suitably socially distanced and with masks, gloves and sanitiser provided. Please email your contact details to the Parish office [sacredheartluton@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sacredheartluton@yahoo.co.uk) if you are able to volunteer, are under 70 years of age and not shielding.

Thank you also to our volunteer cleaners and stewards who enable us to have public Masses. We **urgently** need more cleaner and steward volunteers to continue having Masses. Please seriously consider if you might be able to offer some of your time to help out.

Stewards manage the safe entrance, participation and exit of worshippers to the Church via the one-way system and the cleaners sanitise the Church areas that have been opened up before and after each Mass. If you would like to volunteer for one of these two roles, are under 70 years of age and not shielding, then email the Parish office on [sacredheartluton@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sacredheartluton@yahoo.co.uk)

In addition, we would like to thank the Parishioners who have maintained the church and the grounds in recent months and also the very generous Parishioners who contributed to, or donated, PPE to our Church - much appreciated.

**THE PARISH OFFICE:** 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](mailto:sacredheartluton@yahoo.co.uk). Useful information and updates can be found on the Parish website [www.sacredheartluton.org](http://www.sacredheartluton.org)

**THE REPOSITORY:** After the 9.00am Sunday Mass has finished and until 10.00am, the Repository will be open to purchase items. Covid-19 protocols must be observed (including face covering) and only one person at a time may enter the shop. Items purchased must be pre-ordered by contacting Judy on 01582 738569. You will not be able to browse in the Repository for items to buy. Church newspapers are freely available by visiting [www.churchpaper.co.uk/](http://www.churchpaper.co.uk/)

**ST PAUL MISSAL 2021:** Contact Judy Weekes on 01582 738569 for 2021 St Paul Missals and SMA Mass cards. contact Judy Weekes on 01582 738569

**JIM ROLLESTON RIP:** Frances Rolleston has sent a message to the Parish - 'I was overwhelmed by the kindness of parishioners recently when my dear husband Jim died. Our three children and I want to thank all those who wrote or sent mass cards to us. It was such a joy and support for us. We had a Mass said here in Salisbury for all your intentions in thanksgiving. I really feel Jim is not very far away and feel great comfort in that knowledge. God bless all our Sacred Heart Friends.'

**MARGARET RANKIN RIP:** Margaret sadly passed away on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2020 aged 91 years, the funeral arrangements will be announced when known.

**DEIDRE AXTEN RIP:** The funeral Mass for Deidre Axten will be at 3.00pm on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September in the Large Chapel at The Vale Cemetery, maximum 30 attendees.

**RIP:** Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently including Margaret Rankin and Deidre Axten. Please also remember their families and friends in your thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.

**DIOCESAN UPDATES:** If you would like to be kept up to date with the latest news and information from Bishop David, the Curial Departments, our Catholic Cathedral in Northampton and our whole Diocese, then you can receive monthly information by entering your email address in the box in the top right hand corner of the Diocesan web page [www.northamptondiocese.org](http://www.northamptondiocese.org)

**DIOCESAN WEBINARS:** Pope Francis has called on us to reflect on our current situation so, in response, a series of Monday evening Diocesan online webinars will start on 21<sup>st</sup> September with Bishop David reflecting on the last six months. Future topics will include: reaching out to the needy, building community, prayer and spirituality and catechesis. For more information and to register for these free webinars, please go to <https://postlockdownchurch.eventbrite.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](mailto:sacredheartluton@yahoo.co.uk)

**PARISH GIVING:** In addition to 'Standing Order' and 'Online' routes (see <https://www.sacredheartluton.org/>) to make donations, Northampton Cathedral has also 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, especially those living alone. Please also 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: Owen Byrne 1991; Shona Cooke 1995; Camille Francois Brown 2012; John Marrion 1961; Reginald Watson 1974; Christina Connell 1989; Nino Russo 1992; Matthew O'Loughlin 1992; Michael McGuirk 1966; Paul Duobridge 1972; Jeremiah Coffey 1996; Elizabeth Wiltshire 2004; Alice McMichael 2005; Michael Marshal 2006; Mary Millar 2018; Jessie Roy 1969; Janet Hughes 1996; Nora Ann Sullivan 2017; Edith Sweeting 1990; Anthony Davey 1995; Victor Dias 2009.

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