



# Heart to Heart

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

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**  
**Year A - Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

**Responsorial Psalm**

**May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place  
all our hope in you.**

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**PARISH OFFICE:** The Parish Office is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10.00am until 12 Noon. When leaving a voicemail message please state the date and leave a contact number.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** This weekend 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> March there will be a second collection at all Masses for CAFOD Lent Fast Day.

Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	11.00am 5.45pm 6.30pm	Confession Evening Prayer Fr Oates RIP (Foundation Mass)	
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am	Morning Prayer People of Our Parish Monica McIntyre RIP	<b>SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT</b>
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am	Margaret Fallon RIP	
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am	Trish MacDonald RIP	
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am	Joe Donnelly RIP	
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am	Pete Prince RIP	
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am 7.00pm	Doreen Brennan & Family (Intentions) Stations of the Cross	
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	5.45pm 6.30pm	Evening Prayer Trish MacDonald	
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am	Morning Prayer People of Our Parish Lisa Doran RIP (10 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)	<b>THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT</b>

**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH: For victims of abuse:** We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

**RIP:** Please pray for all those who have died recently especially John McLaughlin and Ken Bowes. Please keep John, Ken, their families and friends in your thoughts and prayers at this very sad and difficult time.

### FUNERAL DETAILS:

**John McLaughlin,** Requiem 10.30am Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March at Sacred Heart.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Throughout Lent there will be Stations of the Cross every Friday evening at 7.00pm in Sacred Heart Church.

**KEN BOWES, RIP:** The Parish has been informed of the sad news of the death of Ken Bowes. Ken, his wife Margaret and their family were former parishioners of Sacred Heart Parish. Ken Bowes died on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2023 in Chelmsford aged 88. Ken's funeral will be on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March in Chelmsford. All are welcome and it will be available to watch live for anyone who is interested; details can be found on the funeral director's website: [www.mluckingandsons.co.uk/donations](http://www.mluckingandsons.co.uk/donations)

Unfortunately, Margaret is in very poor health and won't be well enough to attend the funeral herself so the family have asked for you to keep both Ken and Margaret in your prayers at this very difficult and sad time.

**LENT 2023: CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY:** Family Fast Day took place on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023. Your donations to CAFOD's Family Fast Day Appeal will help families fighting the climate crisis and ensure that our Church network can quickly respond to emergencies, like the recent earthquake in Syria and Turkey. Give using the envelopes (available in the Foyer) or donate at [cafod.org.uk/give](http://cafod.org.uk/give) and please join us in praying for CAFOD's development and emergency response work all over the world.

**CONFESSION:** There will be no Confession at 11.00am on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March due to the children preparing for First Holy Communion who are to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation that morning. Please remember all the children in your prayers.

**FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH:** Come to 'The Well at St John's – Guest speaker each month. Coffee from 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start. St John's Parish Centre, 296 Sundon Park Road, Luton LU3 3AL. For more information, please contact Gerard on 07736 714000

**MASS FOR THOSE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS:** Mass for families of those with special needs will be held at Our Lady Help of Christians on Sunday March 12<sup>th</sup> at 3.00pm followed by refreshments. New families always welcome. Contact Sean on 07930305362 for further information.

**SEAN O'RIADA MASS:** Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March St Patrick's Day - Sean O'Riada Mass. 9.30am at Our Lady Help of Christians, Castle St., Luton. Gaelic sung mass with Luton Irish Forum Choir and solo by Mac McMahon. All welcome.

**YOUNG PEOPLE & LOURDES:** Each year the Catholic Association takes a group to Lourdes. (See their web-site for pictures): <https://www.catholicassociation.co.uk/lourdes-pilgrimage-2023> This always includes assisted pilgrims - people who need a bit of a hand, or a bit of a push. The Catholic Association has a special programme for young people (17-23) who are invited to help these pilgrims. If you are free August 18<sup>th</sup>- 25<sup>th</sup> do think about joining in and having fun. Fr. James has more details, and also information about funding. If interested please speak to Fr James.

**MOSES COURSE:** If you are a leader in any area of ministry, or are interested in learning more about leadership please consider booking onto this course:

<https://northamptondiocese.org/courses/moses-beyond-the-desert-2023/> This course is subsidised. It is a residential course from 6.00pm on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March to 7.00pm on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April and will take place in the beautiful setting of Shallowford House in Stone. Places are limited so book soon to avoid disappointment.

**PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES:** Weekly Planned Giving Envelopes for 2023/24 will be distributed before or after each Mass on the following weekends: **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2023, Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2023, Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2023 and Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2023.**

**LENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE:** Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023, 7.00pm at The Holy Family Church, 24 Freshwater Close, Luton LU3 3TA.

**READERS' ROTA:** The new Readers' Rota for 5<sup>th</sup> March to 30<sup>th</sup> April is displayed on the Noticeboard. Copies are also available in the Foyer.

**DAY BY DAY BOOKS:** Books available in the Repository for Lent and Easter available for Infants, Juniors and Adults. Books priced accordingly Infants/Juniors 50p, Adults £1. Please see Judy to purchase a copy.

**RECRUITMENT OPPORTUNITY:** Headteacher, St Martin de Porres Catholic Primary School, Luton (L18-L24) St Thomas Catholic Academies Trust are recruiting for a Headteacher at St Martin de Porres Catholic Primary School in Luton. The school is two-form entry and has a proud tradition of delivering excellence in Catholic Education, placing the child's needs at the centre of their teaching and ensuring that all children leave the school with the skills and spiritual qualities they will need for a happy and successful life. For further information, please contact Kerri Wiseman [kwiseman@academicis.co.uk](mailto:kwiseman@academicis.co.uk) or 07733 628155/01223 907979; or go to [www.mynewterm.com/jobs/142264/EDV-2022-SMDPCPS-19513](http://www.mynewterm.com/jobs/142264/EDV-2022-SMDPCPS-19513)

**FUNDRAISING MANAGER, 40 HOURS PER WEEK, START DATE: APRIL 2023:** Northampton Diocese is currently recruiting for an experienced Fundraising Manager to lead the development and delivery of the diocesan fundraising plan with the principal aim of proactively securing growth of income from charitable trusts, foundations and grant giving bodies. Full information for the position and an application form can be found by visiting <https://northamptondiocese.org/job/fundraising-manager/> All candidates should complete an application form and email it to [hr.admin@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:hr.admin@northamptondiocese.org)

**DIOCESAN INFORMATION MANAGER: 3 days per week, Start date: May 2023**

The Diocese is currently recruiting for an Information Manager to join our Diocese. Full information for the position and an application form can be found by visiting <https://northamptondiocese.org/jobs/> All candidates should complete an application form and email it to [hr.admin@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:hr.admin@northamptondiocese.org) The closing date for applications will be Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March. Interview dates to be confirmed.

**NOAH BINS:** NOAH Bins will be back at Sacred Hear next weekend 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> March. Please donate your pre-loved goods, bric-a-brac etc. Your donated goods will aid NOAH to help others in need.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Irene Davey 1989; Antonino Calvino 1991; Nan Pollard 2008; Paul Divney 2014; Alice Flatley 2006; Colin Draper 2006; Thomas Joseph Dolan 2008; Bernard McGrath 2009; Sarah Doherty 1965; Janek Stevens 2003; Margaret (Rita) Sansom 2018; Mark Trowsdale 2014; Thomas Hyland 1982; Maria Munez 1982; Elizabeth Anne Murray 'Lizzie' 2022; Robert McMillen 1994; Elizabeth Mary Brogan 2014; John Stanton 1969; Baby Kevin Hynes 1975; Patrick Nolan 1990; Charles Drein 2001; Titus Abernethy 2006; Kathleen West 2002; Peter Albert McGarry 2008; Carmel Harte 2019; Juana Wyett 2021; Robert McDermott 1974; Alice Jepp 1978; Joseph Keegan 2003; John James Doran 2015; Nelson Walter Gallyot 2016 ✠ **May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.**