



# Heart to Heart

Newsletter of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, Luton  
Diocese of Northampton, Deanery of St Alban

**Year B - Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

**Responsorial Psalm: I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.**

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**Registered Charity Number:** 234091

**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, time and a contact number.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** This weekend 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> February there will be a second collection at all Masses in aid of CAFOD. Lent Fast Day – please pick up an envelope in the Foyer.

Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> February <b>The Vale Cemetery</b>	11-11.30am <b>1.00pm</b> 5.45pm 6.30pm	Confession <b>Legion of Mary – Rosary</b> Evening Prayer People of Our Parish	
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am	Morning Prayer Mary Byrne RIP Monica McIntyre RIP (Anniversary)	<b>SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT</b>
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	9.30am	Elizabeth 'Betty' Blake RIP (2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary)	
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	9.30am	Healing (Private Intention) PRAYER GROUP: Prayer for our needs, those of the Parish and beyond	
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	9.30am	Fomanka Family Thanksgiving	
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> February <b>HALL</b>	9.30am <b>2.00pm</b> <b>10-12Noon</b>	Orla Ward (Special Intention) <b>REQUIEM: Margaret Lally</b> <b>THURSDAY CLUB</b>	
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> March KS2 SH attending	9.30am <b>7.30pm</b>	Margaret Rose Kelly RIP <b>Stations of the Cross</b>	<b>ST DAVID World Day of Prayer</b>
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	11-11.30am 5.45pm 6.30pm	Confession Evening Prayer Alice Marie Flatley RIP	
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am	Morning Prayer John & Daniel Comerford RIP People of Our Parish	<b>THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT</b>

**PARISH HALL:** Teas and Coffees available after Sunday 11.00am Mass. All welcome!

**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY: For the terminally ill**

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

**BETHANY GROUP:** Thank you to all who attended, organised the Mass, or who helped in any way by playing music, reading, or serving refreshments following the Mass. The next Mass for the Bethany Group will be on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March.

**RIP:** Please pray for all those who have died recently especially Margaret Lally. Please keep Margaret, her family and friends in your thoughts and prayers at this very sad and difficult time.

**FUNERAL DETAILS:** Margaret Lally RIP, Requiem Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February 2.00pm at Sacred Heart.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** During Lent at Sacred Heart, Stations of the Cross every Friday at 7.30pm. All welcome to attend.

**SAFEGUARDING:** Bishop David Oakley is available to meet with anyone affected by abuse, as a victim, survivor, their families or supporters, where private discussions can take place in a safe and non-judgmental environment. Contact safeguarding office on 01604 723514 or email [safeguarding@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:safeguarding@northamptondiocese.org)

**DUNS SCOTUS TRUST:** Bishop David is seeking experienced Directors/School Governors to represent his wishes on the Duns Scotus Trust – the diocesan body that has ultimate oversight of all diocesan schools and reports back to the Trustee. Do you know anyone who has experience in business, finance or education? Would they have time to commit to three meetings per year? For an information pack or to discuss this volunteer position, please ask them to contact Debbie Main on 01634 953369 email [debbie.main@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:debbie.main@northamptondiocese.org)

**LENTEN GOSPEL REFLECTIONS:** Bishop David has written and recorded a series of Lenten Gospel reflections for each week of Lent. In the video and audio version you can listen to the Gospel of the day and the reflection by Bishop David. To watch the video please visit <https://youtu.be/DzLbJyKVfU?si=c3AoyeGPI9nkQB-Z>  
To listen to Bishop David's reflection, visit <https://on.soundcloud.com/kfViT>

**FAMILY FAST DAY:** This Lent, your donations to CAFOD's Family Fast Day appeal will help hardworking people like James the fisherman in Liberia with resources, tools and training to feed their families for good. Give today use the envelope in Church or give online at [cafod.org.uk](http://cafod.org.uk) and please join in praying with James that our sisters and brothers around the world have what they need to feed their families.

**LIGHT UP LENT 29<sup>TH</sup> FEB – 7<sup>TH</sup> MARCH:** Light Up Lent is our diocesan Week of Accompanied Prayer, a retreat in everyday life. Begin or deepen your prayer life, get to know the Scriptures better, and above all, grow in faith and in love for the Lord who loves you. With one-to-one support each day for a week, via Zoom, from an experienced prayer guide. Find out more and sign up here <https://pastoralministryoffice.org/event/lightuplent/>

**PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES FOR 2024/2025:** Please note Boxes of Envelopes for weekly planned giving may be collected before and after each Mass on the following weekends: **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2024, Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2024, Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024 and Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024.**

If you are new to the Parish and require envelopes then please see Wesley Weekes after Mass or contact the Parish Office. (See Poster on the Noticeboard for further information.)

**INVITATION: REMEMBERING JIMMY MIZEN:** In 2008, Jimmy Mizen was murdered whilst in a bakery with his brother in South London. Amazingly, Jimmy's parents, Margaret and Barry immediately forgave their son's killer and since then have been on a mission to share their story of compassion.

On Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March from 10am-12 noon, Margaret and Barry Mizen will visit the St Thomas Centre at Northampton Cathedral to share their story. All are welcome.

**RIGHT TO LIFE:** Support an amendment to reduce abortion law from 24 weeks to 22 weeks. Collect a postcard today from the Foyer and post it to your MP in support of this amendment. Further information available at [righttolife.org.uk](http://righttolife.org.uk)

**VACANCY:** Chaplaincy Apprentice to join Cardinal Newman Catholic School.

The successful candidate will be:

- committed to providing the very best learning opportunities for their students
- able to challenge all students to make exceptional progress
- a strong team player who forms excellent relationships with staff, parents and students
- willing to support the strong Catholic ethos of the school

Further information, or to arrange an informal visit, please contact Miss Jade McKinlay PA to Headteacher on [jmckinlay@cardinalnewmanschool.net](mailto:jmckinlay@cardinalnewmanschool.net)

Please apply by completing an application form which can be obtained through the link to MyNewTerm from the School website [www.cardinalnewmanschool.net/vacancies](http://www.cardinalnewmanschool.net/vacancies) or by emailing [jmckinlay@cardinalnewmanschool.net](mailto:jmckinlay@cardinalnewmanschool.net)

Closing date for applications is Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024 midday. Interviews w/c 18<sup>th</sup> March.

**CLADDAGH GAELS LADIES GAELIC FOOTBALL CLUB:** Looking to recruit new players: Winter training takes place at Stockwood park athletics track on Wednesdays from 7-8pm, girls aged 10 and over, up to seniors. One-month free trial then £5 a month for youths and £10 a month for seniors. There will be other nights/Saturday training starting in March if Wednesdays are not available to you. No previous skills or experience required. Come and give it a try, make friends, join in social activities and keep fit. Contact Phil on 07722225546 for more details.

**COLLECTION:** Figures for w/e 18.02.24 Envelopes: £701.66; Loose cash £425.76  
TOTAL £1127.42 Thank you.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Michael Early 1968; Mary Hancock 1994; Lawrence Foley 1997; James Byrne 1997;  
Mary Shiels 2023; Peter Joseph Farrell 2020; Laszlo Szaher 1984; Mary Moughan 2003;  
Alice Jones 2005; Anna (Ann) Davern 2014; Elizabeth Bridget Blake 2022;  
Eugene Aloysius O'Hara 2018; Walter Ryan 1974; Frank Colley 1981; Thomas Farrell 1993;  
Bridget Nee 1996; Ivy Stockley 1998; Andrew Culbertson 2007; Margery Curtin 2007;  
Eunice Lloyd-Bernard Johnette 2013; Mary Margaret Fallon 2022; Margaret Knight 1992;  
Mary Jane Crow 1958; Elizabeth McLaughlin 1964; Angela Saggia 1982; Catherine Perry 2012  
**✠ May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.**