



Heart to Heart

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

THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
Year A - Sunday 22nd January 2023

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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.

Saturday 21 st January	11.00am 5.45pm 6.30pm	Confession Evening Prayer Roberto Spiga RIP Reception of Josh & Jacob as Catechumens	St Agnes
Sunday 22 nd January	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am BAPTISM	Morning Prayer People of Our Parish Alice Margey RIP Jonah Junior Lucas Castro Rusere	THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Sunday of the Word of God
Monday 23 rd January	9.30am	Margaret Manley RIP	
Tuesday 24 th January	9.30am	Anthony Conroy RIP	St Francis de Sales
Wednesday 25 th January	9.30am	Sheila Bolton RIP	CONVERSION OF ST PAUL
Thursday 26 th January	9.30am	Jim Purcell (Intentions)	SS Timothy & Titus
Friday 27 th January	9.30am 9.00pm- 10.30pm	Ed Duggan RIP Fatima Prayer Group Vigil	
Saturday 28 th January	11.00am 5.45pm 6.30pm	Confession Evening Prayer People of Our Parish	St Thomas Aquinas
Sunday 29 th January	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am BAPTISM	Morning Prayer Terry Capaldi RIP Fazilahmed Family Alice Victoria Kettles	FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY: We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

PROCESSION OF THE GIFTS: We have reintroduced the procession of the gifts of bread and wine at our weekend Masses. The bread and wine will be brought up **immediately after the bidding prayers.**

WELCOME: To Jonah Junior Lucas Castro Rusere who is to be baptised into the community of Sacred Heart Parish this weekend.

NOAH: Homeless charity NOAH are expecting to see more people seeking their help this winter due to consequences of cost-of-living crisis and the aftermath of the pandemic. This winter, with your help, they are hoping to raise, £15,000 for people who have nowhere else to turn, across Luton and Central Bedfordshire. For more information and to donate, please visit: <http://www.noahenterprise.org/winter-appeal-2022> - **Our Crib Collection will go to NOAH.** We are very fortunate to have a representative from NOAH visiting Sacred Heart this weekend to tell us more about the work NOAH does and how we, as a Parish, can continue to help NOAH.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY: Tuesday 24th January, 7.30pm-9.00pm at Holy Ghost Parish Centre, Luton. Guest Speaker Rev Dr Richard Sudworth. The theme this year is 'What is Interfaith and why should Christians be involved with this?' Please see Notice on the Noticeboard for full details.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: There will be a Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday 8th February at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. Please confirm attendance, by email or telephone, to the Parish Office.

PAX CHRISTI – PEACE DAY: Please note the Second Collection for Pax Christi, Peace Day will take place next weekend 28th/29th January.

PREPARATION FOR BAPTISM 2023: If you wish to have your child baptised at Sacred Heart Church a Baptism Preparation Class **must be undertaken** before Baptism can go ahead. Please speak to Deacon Jim to book your place, or telephone or email the Parish Office. The next Baptism Preparation Class takes place on Saturday 28th January at 3.30pm in the Church. A list of Baptism Preparation Classes for 2023 is on the Noticeboard.

ST PAUL'S MISSALS: St Paul's Missals are available to buy from the Repository. Please see Judy.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Saturday 4th February 2023, at Pastoral Centre, 33 Westbourne Road, Luton, LU4 8JD – 10.30am-1.00pm

Catechists, anyone interested in helping or wishing to be involved in restarting the Children's Liturgy of the Word at Sunday 11.00am Mass is invited to attend a morning programme/workshop to discuss and share principles and resources to facilitate Children's Liturgy. To book please email: parish.holyghost@northamptondiocese.org T:01582 722127 Monday-Friday 9.00am-2.00pm.

Please feel free to speak to Fr Allan if you are interested to find out more about this event.

MESSAGE OF THANKS FROM THE PARISH: Thank you to Tim O'Leary for carrying out the alterations to the benches. Thank you also to Steve Howell for his kind donation towards the work carried out in the garden.

VOTIVE CANDLES: Please be careful when lighting votive candles. Do not place lit candles on the shelf below as this is dangerous! One candle per holder please.

LUTON IRISH FORUM BABY & TODDLER GROUP: New members welcome at the Baby & Toddler Group at Luton Irish Forum, Kathleen Connolly House, Hitchin Road, Luton, 9.30am-11.00am Fridays in term time. See Poster on the Noticeboard.

ENCOUNTER LUTON- HOSTED BY MISSION NORTHAMPTON: Saturday 28th January, 10.00am-5.00pm at St Martin De Porres Church, Luton. Cost: £15 includes lunch and unlimited tea and coffee. During 'Encounter', the Good News of Jesus is re-explored through lively and engaging presentations based on the Word of God, prayer and music, as well as times of reflection and sharing. Participants will hopefully deepen their relationship with God as well

as discover a renewed desire to share their faith with others.

For more information and to book please visit:

<https://northamptondiocese.org/courses/encounter-luton/>

LUX.FLAWLESS: A residential weekend for young Catholics from year 7-13 packed with activities, faith exploration and fun. Join over 100 young people from around the Diocese from 3rd-5th February 2023 at The Kings Park Conference Centre in Northampton. Please contact Fiona email fiona@nymo.org or visit www.nymo.org/lux for more information and to book your place.

LIGHT UP LENT! ONLINE WEEK OF ACCOMPANIED PRAYER: 23rd February-2nd March:

Give yourself the gift of time with God this Lent by taking part in our Online Week of Accompanied Prayer. Encounter Jesus in a new way through the Scriptures and see your prayer life come to life. Introductory webinar 23rd Jan, 7.30-8.30pm.

https://week_of_accompanied_prayer.eventbrite.co.uk

RETROUVAILLE: A PROGRAMME FOR COUPLES STRUGGLING IN THEIR MARRIAGES: Retrouvaille is a programme to support couples who have difficulties in their marriage. The programme helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. There is no group therapy or group work. For confidential information about 'Retrouvaille' or to register for the next programme commencing with a Face-to-Face weekend in Welwyn Garden City on 24th -26th February 2023, or a Virtual weekend on 6th-9th 2023, call or text 07887 296983 or 07973 380443 or email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com - or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk Please see Noticeboard.

WARM SPACE: A warm space, a warm welcome and a warm drink! Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from the 10th January 9.30am-1.30pm at Stopsley Baptist Church.

FOOD4ALL: Community Meal: A hot meal for anyone, any age. Every Thursday – January until March 2023. Pay if you can. Stopsley Baptist Church 5.30pm-6.30pm.

MARYS MEALS: Double The Love campaign ends on 31st January 2023. Until then, donations to Mary's Meals will be matched by a group of generous supporters, up to £1.5 million. This means that any donation, no matter the size, will have twice the impact!

Visit: info@marysmeals.org Thank you for everything you do for Mary's Meals.

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

James Devlin 1966; Cyril Perry 1982; Elizabeth Hannan 2002; Edward Hendley 2006;

Brigid Collard 2007; Barbara Lobo 2009; Margaret Mary Geraghty 2016;

Brenda Eileen Ryan 2014; Gladys Wilkins 1972; Edward Molloy 1995; Charles Dephley 1998;

Philip (Phil) Cusack 2016; Thomas (Tom) Richard Walker 2017; Joseph George Bennett 2014;

Bridget McLoughlin 1971; Michael Dolan 1986; Arthur Henry Wiggins 2015;

Tim Naughton 2021; Meta Hatzel 1973; Charles Massey 1988; Edward Popham 1994;

Timothy Coakley 2001; Norah McDonald 2008; William (Billy) Hannon 2014;

Annetta Shane 1964; Lesley Henrik 1977; Peter Brown 1992; Dorothy Mulholland 1997;

Bridget McDonnell 2012; Elizabeth Blythe 1981; Baby Lloyd Shaw 1999 ✠ **May their souls and**

the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.