



Heart to Heart

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

Year B - Sunday 21st January 2024
THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Sunday of the Word of God

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, make me know your ways.

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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, time and a contact number.

SECOND COLLECTION: Next weekend 27th/28th January there will be a second collection at all Masses in aid of Racial Justice.

Saturday 20 th January	11.00am 5.45pm 6.30pm	Confession Evening Prayer Patricia MacDonald RIP	
Sunday 21 st January	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am BAPTISM 3.00pm	Morning Prayer Margaret Manley RIP (1 st Anniversary) People of Our Parish Oslo Mitchell Iannelli Bible Service – Commissioning of Readers	THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Monday 22 nd January	9.30am 11.30am	Ann Brady RIP Funeral Service: Margaret Jackson	
Tuesday 23 rd January	9.30am	Tom Boyle RIP PRAYER GROUP: Prayer for our needs, those of the Parish and beyond	
Wednesday 24 th January	9.30am	Nell Callaghan RIP	St Francis de Sales
Thursday 25 th January HALL	9.30am 10-12Noon	THURSDAY CLUB	CONVERSION OF ST PAUL
Friday 26 th January	9.30am	John Brady RIP	Saints Timothy & Titus
Saturday 27 th January	11.00am 5.45pm 6.30pm	Confession Evening Prayer People of Our Parish	
Sunday 28 th January	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am	Racial Justice Sunday Morning Prayer Victor Manley RIP (Birthday) Mary Ellen 'Nell' Callaghan RIP	FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY: For the Gift of Diversity in the Church

We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

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

FUNERAL DETAILS: Margaret Jackson RIP, Service Monday 22nd January, 11.30am at Sacred Heart.

RIP: Please remember in your prayers this weekend Margaret Manley RIP. Please keep her family and friends in your thoughts and prayers, at this very sad and difficult time, as they lovingly gather to honour and remember Margaret on her first anniversary.

THURSDAY CLUB: The Thursday Club meets every Thursday in the Parish Hall from 10.00am-12 Noon. All welcome.

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

READERS ROTA: Copies of the updated Rota for 6th January to 25th February 2024 are now available in the Foyer.

PRAYER GROUP: Please note the Prayer Group meet on Tuesday each week after the 9.30am Mass. All welcome.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY LUTON: Saturday 20th January 2024 – 10.00am-12.30pm at Holy Ghost Parish Centre, Westbourne Road, Luton led by Reverend Heather Whyte, United Reformed Church, Minister for Luton and Dunstable. The theme this year is 'The nature of unity and the oneness of God'. Light refreshments will be provided, free parking. See Poster on the Noticeboard for full details.

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD: This Sunday 21st January at 3.00pm Bishop David will preside at a Bible Service in the Cathedral during which he will commission readers present at the service and those who join him by livestream. All readers are very welcome to take part by attending the Cathedral.

LUX DIVE: Our diocesan youth ministry office has announced the dates of the next residential weekend for young people. 'Lux.dive' will take place from Friday 9th – Sunday 11th February 2024. The weekend is open to all those in school years 7-13 and costs £125 pp. Visit <https://nymo.org/lux-dive/> If interested, please contact Fr Allan, we can provide some financial help to enable young people to attend.

CAFOD SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Do you enjoy working with children and young people? Could you help to inspire and empower children and young people in your local Catholic schools by delivering an assembly or a workshop? You will be supported by CAFOD with training and all resources will be provided and expenses paid. For more information contact Debbie Purfield dpurfield@cafod.org.uk or call 07786 114 390

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: Please note the next Parish Council Meeting will take place in the Parish Hall on Wednesday 24th January at 7.30pm. Please contact the Parish Office to confirm your attendance. New Members always welcome!

VACANCIES:

St Thomas Catholic Academies Trust are looking to recruit a Chief Finance and Operations Officer working across all the schools in the Trust, Luton, Bucks and Slough. Further information visit <https://www.mynewterm.com/jobs/320797/EDV-2023-STCAT-45441>. Closing date for applications is Midday on 29th January 2024.

St Thomas Catholic Academies Trust are looking to recruit RE Teachers, both existing and current teachers looking to convert. To register your interest for this or any other role within our Trust, please visit: [St Thomas Catholic Academies Trust, Dunstable, Luton and Slough/ Teaching Jobs & Education Jobs | MyNewTerm](#)

FIRST AIDERS: Thank you to all who have volunteered to be named First Aiders at Sacred Heart Church. Please contact Maurice to discuss the necessary arrangements/training required to implement designated First Aid Roles within the Church. Thank you.

CRIB COLLECTION: There is still time to donate to the Crib Collection for Friends of the Holy Land. The Crib will be taken down on 2nd February. Thank you to all those who have given so generously over the Christmas period. Your donations will help meet families' urgent needs in the West Bank, Gaza, East Jerusalem and Israel.

COLLECTION: Figures for w/e 14.01.2024 Envelopes: £880.35; Loose cash: £367.42
TOTAL £1247.77 Thank you.

ANNIVERSARIES: Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:
Jane McNalty 1971; Bridget Early 1975; Leo William Clarke 2017; 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 ✕ **May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.**