



Heart to Heart

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

Year B - Sunday 4th February 2024
FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Responsorial Psalm: Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

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

Saturday 3 rd February	11.00am 5.45pm 6.30pm	Confession Evening Prayer George Ivors RIP	
Sunday 4 th February	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am	Morning Prayer People of Our Parish Thanksgiving to Parish on behalf of the family of Kitty Kehoe RIP	FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Monday 5 th February	9.30am	Thomas Brady RIP	St Agatha
Tuesday 6 th February	9.30am	Mila Oseo (Healing) PRAYER GROUP: Prayer for our needs, those of the Parish and beyond	St Paul Miki & Companions
Luton Crematorium	11.00am	Funeral Service: Benjamin James Daly	
Wednesday 7 th February	9.30am	Tom O'Boyle RIP	
Thursday 8 th February HALL	9.30am 10-12Noon	Louie Murphy RIP THURSDAY CLUB	Day of Prayer for Victims of Trafficking
Friday 9 th February	9.30am	Margaret Lynch RIP	
Saturday 10 th February	11.00am 3.30pm 5.45pm 6.30pm	Confession Baptism Preparation Class Evening Prayer Lisa Doran RIP (Birthday)	St Scholastica
Sunday 11 th February	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am	Morning Prayer Dominic Rocha RIP People of Our Parish Day of Prayer for the Unemployed Day of Prayer for the Sick and their Carers	SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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.

RIP: Please pray for all those who have died recently especially Benjamin James Daly, Olivia Freitas and Kathleen Concepta Long. Please keep Benjamin, Olivia, Kathleen; their families and friends in your thoughts and prayers at this very sad and difficult time.

FUNERAL DETAILS: Benjamin Daly RIP, Service Tuesday 6th February, 11.00am Luton Crematorium.

Kathleen Concepta Long RIP, Requiem Thursday 15th February 12.15pm at Sacred Heart.

PAX CHRISTI: Volunteer required as a link-person on behalf of Sacred Heart Parish for Pax Christi. If interested, please contact the Parish Office.

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

RADIO MARIA: Listen to Radio Maria as students from St Joseph's Primary School share reflections on a chosen piece of artwork. This short show can inspire parents with questions to inspire their children to reflect on their faith. The show is broadcast at 5pm on 9th February and again at 8pm on Sunday 11th February. Radio Maria England is a Catholic voice by your side bringing listeners opportunities to pray with others on-air, opportunities to learn about catholic events in the country and learning from speakers who will support you to grow in your faith. Listen on DAB+ London, at www.RadioMariaEngland.uk or download the FREE mobile app, "Radio Maria Play"

LUTON FOODBANK: Thank Parishioners at Sacred Heart Church for their continued support. If you come into contact with someone experiencing financial difficulties such as rent and/or council tax arrears, debts or rising bills, or if they need advice to overcome their circumstances then please contact Nicola on 07736 993225 (Mon-Wed) who will be able to give information or signpost people to the correct outside authorities for help.

OUR SACRED HEART ANNIVERSARY PILGRIMAGE

This year is the 350th anniversary of the apparition of the Sacred Heart to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque. The parish should celebrate this, with a special event. Come and visit the shrine of the Sacred Heart, and also visit Ars - the home of the Curé d'Ars, and Cluny, the ancient Benedictine Abbey. Coach travel is included. It will be led by Fr. James, and together we'll spend 5 days on pilgrimage, enjoying our celebrations.

The cost will be at most £950 per person for half-board (single person supplement: £200).

It might be less. The minimum number is 20 people, if we can find 25 the cost will drop.

{Yes, it is a bit expensive, but it is our special year.}

Dates: 14th-18th October 2024 – Come and spend a few pleasant autumn days in the middle of France. If you are interested in this please send an e-mail to the parish, and we'll keep you in the picture.

Numbers need to be confirmed by 21st February. Leaflets available in the Foyer.

VACANCY: PASTORAL DEVELOPMENT WORKER: To help pastoral areas and parishes identify mission and community needs and to work with local groups to discern and implement their local vision. The role 37.5 hours per week on a three-year fixed term contract, involving weekend and evening work. Full information and an application form can be found by visiting <https://northamptondiocese.org/jobs/> Closing date Friday 16th February. Interview dates to be confirmed. All candidates should complete an application form and email it to: hr.admin@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

NOAH BINS: The NOAH Blue Bins will be at Sacred Heart next weekend 10th/11th February for donations of good quality, pre-loved clean clothes, bric-a-brac etc.

RETRouvaille: Do you need help in your marriage? Retrouvaille has helped many couples find new hope, nourishment and growth in their marriages. If you want to uncover or reawaken the love, trust and commitment that brought you together and work through difficult times in your marriage contact Retrouvaille about their 2024 programmes. There is no group therapy or group work. Next programme commences with a Virtual weekend on 8th-11th February or a Face-to-Face weekend in Welwyn Garden City on 14th-16th June. Call or text 07887 296983 or 07973 380443 or email for further information email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com

BETHANY GROUP: Mass for people with disabilities and their families: the next Mass will be on Sunday 18th February at 3.00pm at Sacred Heart Church. Do encourage people to come. The Mass will be followed by refreshments.

ROSARY: The Legion of Mary invite you to join them in praying the Rosary at the Vale Cemetery at 1.00pm on Saturday 24th February. Meet at the Shelter. All welcome!

CARITAS: SJOG HOSPITALLER SERVICES: Caritas, is working in partnership with one of their member charities, St John of God Hospitaller Services, to coordinate a Homes for Ukraine programme, which provides temporary housing and support for Ukrainian displaced individuals as they adjust to life in the UK. If you are able to support their mission or would like more information, please visit <https://sjog-homesforukraine.uk> (Prayer cards in Foyer.)

COLLECTION: Figures for w/e 28.01.24 Envelopes: £700.50; Loose cash: £324.09; TOTAL £1024.59 Thank you.

ANNIVERSARIES: Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:
Thomas (Tom) Brady 2019; Alice Nolan 1978; Thomas Caulfield 1979; Dawn King 2002;
Kathleen McCarthy 2005; Olga Yake 2011; Sean Kelly 2005; Siobhan Stansfield 2019;
Patrick Carrigan 1994; Maureen McCarthy 2010; Sheila Barber 2023; William Joyclin 1957;
Theresa McStravick 1960; Catherine Duffy 1974; John Ryan 1979; Kathleen Hosey 1993;
Bridget Barber 1998; John McAuliffe 1999; David Walker 1999; Dominic Rocha 2017;
Mary Arnold 1956; David Archer 1989; Grace Law 1993; Elizabeth McManus 1994;
Joseph Griffiths 2005; Helen Kelly 1952; Baby Moira Doran 1961; Baby Jeanette Leach 1973;
Liborio Catuara 1979; Evelia Beresford 1994; Kathleen Anne McGuirk 2015;
Carlo Pontone 2016; Elizabeth Dunne 2000; John McLaughlin 2022 ✠ **May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.**