



Heart to Heart

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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
Year A - Sunday 7th May 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 Wednesday and Friday this week from 10.00am until 12 Noon. When leaving a voicemail message please state the date and leave a contact number.

TUESDAY 9th MAY: Please note there is no morning Mass this week on Tuesday.

Saturday 6 th May	5.45pm 6.30pm	Evening Prayer Marie Duffy RIP (Birthday)	
Sunday 7 th May	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am	Morning Prayer Perry Family (Foundation Mass) People of Our Parish	FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
Monday 8 th May	10.00am	Augusta Nunes RIP	
Tuesday 9 th May	7.30pm	CONFIRMATION MASS	
Wednesday 10 th May	9.30am	Domas DaCosta (Thanksgiving)	
Thursday 11 th May	9.30am	Kathleen Walsh RIP	
Friday 12 th May	9.30am	Colin Cater (Get Well)	
Saturday 13 th May	11.00am 5.45pm 6.30pm	Confession Evening Prayer People of Our Parish	
Sunday 14 th May	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Morning Prayer Rebecca Hopkinson (Birthday) Maureen Healy RIP Confirmation – Thanksgiving Mass	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY: For church movements and groups: We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

RIP: Please pray for all those who have died recently especially Kathleen Billow, Norah Jennings and Joanne Morrell. Please keep Kathleen, Norah and Joanne, their families and friends in your thoughts and prayers at this very sad and difficult time.

CONFIRMANDI: A very warm welcome to Bishop David who will confirm fifty of our young parishioners this week. Please remember all the Confirmandi in your prayers.

PRAYER FOR OUR NEEDS, THOSE OF THE PARISH AND BEYOND: All are invited to meet for prayer on Fridays after 9.30 Mass at Sacred Heart.

ASSEMBLY INSIGHT: Week 3 – 7th May: Delegates to the Assembly are asked to take part in four sessions of preparation which will be happening right across the diocese. We pray for all involved in these sessions. "I dream of a 'missionary option', that is, a missionary impulse capable of transforming everything, so that the Church's customs, ways of doing things, times and schedules, language and structures can be suitably channelled for the evangelisation of today's world rather than for her self-preservation."
Pope Francis, *The Joy of the Gospel*, 27

READERS' ROTA: The Readers' Rota for 7th May-25th June is on the Noticeboard. Copies are also available in the Foyer.

Fr PETER MAHER RIP: Reception of body and Mass of Thanksgiving Tuesday 9th May 7.00pm at St. Joseph's followed by light refreshments in the Parish Centre. Requiem Mass Wednesday 10th May 1.00pm at Our Lady & St. Michael's Garston. Here is the link to the live-stream at Garston: <https://youtube.com/live/cPfer25qgs8?feature=share>

SIGN UP SUNDAYS 2023 FOR SECONDARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL: Admission to Catholic Schools for 2023. Catholic Schools may ask for your priest to sign a form stating that you are a practising Catholic family. If you need this for any Catholic school within or outside of the diocese **you must collect a SIGN-UP CARD**. On given Sundays in the coming months commencing next weekend 14th May 2023 your priest will stamp this card if you are present at Mass with the child(ren) involved.

The responsibility for this lies with parents/guardians/carers alone. Please collect a Sign-Up Card this weekend from the Foyer.

THANK YOU FROM BISHOP DAVID: Bishop David would like to thank Sacred Heart Parish for the generosity shown in the collection for our diocesan Priest's Training Fund held last weekend on Good Shepherd Sunday. Bishop David encourages all to continue to pray for priests, both those who are in ministry currently and those who are being called by God to take the path of discernment towards ordination.

VACANCY: HEADTEACHER: Sacred Heart Primary School, Luton; Salary range: Group 3 School/L18-L24. The Governors of Sacred Heart Primary School are seeking to appoint an outstanding Head who will continue to lead this popular faith school and inspire its children, staff and families 'to be their best'. This is an exciting opportunity to shape the future growth of our school by leading the strong and supportive team with enthusiasm, whilst continuing to improve and raise pupil achievement. The successful candidate will be a practising Catholic and be highly passionate about Religious Education and the Catholic Life within our school, working closely with the Subject Leader and our Parish Priest. This could be the ideal opportunity for an experienced deputy who is seeking their first Headship, or someone looking for their next exciting leadership challenge. Please contact the school office for an information pack on 01582 287480

Application deadline: Midnight 12th May 2023, Interviews will take place: 24th & 25th May 2023
Expected start date: September 2023

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A TIME FOR HOPE AND HEALING: In support of the National Day of Prayer (9th May) for Survivors of Abuse, the Catholic Diocese of Northampton is holding an event at St Teresa's Church in Beaconsfield HP9 2PL between the 17th and 20th May. Everyone is welcome. Please see the Posters on the Noticeboard detailing the programme of events taking place.
LET'S JOURNEY TOGETHER – 11th-17th MAY: A week of Online Guided prayer for all who have been affected by Clerical Abuse in the Catholic Church. Find out more and book your place: journeytogetherij@gmail.com (See Poster on the Noticeboard.)

MASS FOR THOSE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS: Holy Ghost Church, on May 14th at 3.00pm. New families always welcome. For further information please contact Sean on 07930 305362.

NOAH BINS: The blue NOAH Bins will be back at Sacred Heart Church next weekend 13th/14th May. Please donate your pre-loved good quality clothing, bric-a-brac etc to help others less fortunate.

LUTON EMPLOYABILITY DAY 2023: Tuesday 30th May 2023 – 10.30am-3.30pm at Chiltern Academy, Gipsy Lane, Luton LU1 3GF. The second Luton Employability Day is an opportunity for young people from Luton and Bedfordshire to interact with professionals from their community and a cohort of employers to discover and learn about pathways to success. Primarily, but not exclusively, targeted at young Black people of African, Caribbean and Dual Heritage aged 10 -19 and their parents. Admission is via advance registration only - under 16s must attend with a responsible adult. Register now to ensure your child does not miss this FREE event: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/529290009667> (See Noticeboard.)

CARDINAL NEWMAN SCHOOL, REUNION FOR CLASS OF 1976: On Saturday 3rd June 2023, 7.00pm - 12pm, at St Margaret's of Scotland Social Club, 20a Bolingbroke Road, Luton, LU1 5JD. Further details please contact Mary Cleary on 07882 397167 or John Kelly via johnkellyCNS@gmail.com

PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM: Saturday 10th June – 12 Noon-5.00pm. Join Bishop David as he leads our Annual Pilgrimage to Walsingham. Visit www.northamptondiocese.org

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION: Sunday 11th June at 3.00pm at St. Joseph the Worker, Gardenia Avenue, Luton LU3 2NS. All parishioners welcome. First Holy Communion children are encouraged to wear their First Holy Communion clothes. Refreshments in the Parish Centre afterwards. All are invited to this act of witness.

ACCOMMODATION REQUIRED: Anna Kearns who is taking part in Life Cycle 2023 requires accommodation for one night Sunday 20th August within Luton. If you are able to offer Anna accommodation then please inform the Parish Office by email.

ANNIVERSARIES: Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:
Mabel Money 1960; James Fox 1993; Lorraine Taylor 1996; Margaret O'Donoghue 2002; Josephine McStravick 1991; Joan Sweeney 1995; Eugene Bonner 2021; John McEvoy 1968; George Alderson 1975; James Cullinane 1978; Maria Schirinzi 2007; Stefano Mini 1999; Eilish Ann Young 2008; James Gibson 2010; Amira Edmonds 1982; Alexander Stewart 1983; John Burke 1994; Maura Gordon 2000; Joseph Zych 2000; Romeo Raffaele Romano 2022; Kenneth Drakeley 2019; Daisy Burns 1998; Kathleen Hailey 2009; James McGee 1969; Jeanne Hetherington 2003; George Joseph Gallagher 2019 ✠ **May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.**