



# Heart to Heart

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

## TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD Year A - Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2023

<b>Responsorial Psalm</b>	<b>The Lord is king, most high above all the earth.</b>
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**PARISH OFFICE:** Open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10.00am until 12 Noon. When leaving a voicemail message please state the date and provide a contact number.

**THURSDAY CLUB:** The Parish Hall is closed for the month of August. The Thursday Club Group has now closed until September. We look forward to welcoming you all back in September. The closure of the Parish Hall will enable Judy and Wes to enjoy a well-deserved break. Thank you to Judy and Wes from the Parish for all that you both do.

Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> August	11.00am 5.45pm 6.30pm	Confession Evening Prayer Michael Barnard RIP	
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> August	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am <b>BAPTISM</b>  <b>3.00pm</b>	Morning Prayer People of Our Parish Arthur McNaughtan RIP Shyhan Eddie Mulvihill & Sheeran Lee Mulvihill Legion of Mary Meeting	<b>TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD</b>
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> August	9.30am	Hugh Garahee RIP (Birthday)	
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> August	9.30am	Percy Votor RIP Prayer for our needs, those of the Parish and beyond	<b>St Dominic</b>
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> August	9.30am	Billy & Alan Hannon RIP	<b>ST TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS</b>
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> August	9.30am	Jodie Smith RIP	<b>ST LAWRENCE</b>
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> August	9.30am	Noreen Jennings RIP	<b>St Clare</b>
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> August	11.00am 5.45pm 6.30pm	Confession Evening Prayer Aberlado Megias RIP	
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> August	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am	Morning Prayer Joanna McNelis (Birthday Intention) People of Our Parish	<b>NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>

**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST: For World Youth Day:** We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

**RIP:** Please pray for all those who have died recently especially Joseph Lawrence Nolan and Freida Towfield. Please keep Joseph, Freida, their families and friends in your thoughts and prayers at this very sad and difficult time.

**FUNERAL DETAILS:**

**Joseph Lawrence Nolan:** Requiem Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August 1.30pm at Sacred Heart

**PRAYER FOR OUR NEEDS, THOSE OF THE PARISH AND BEYOND:** All are invited to meet for prayer on **Tuesdays** after 9.30am Mass or at 10.00am when there is not a daily Mass.

**ALTAR SERVERS:** Please remember if you are free during the Summer Holidays then please know that you are welcome to come along and serve at any of the week day Masses.

**LUTON AND DUNSTABLE PARISHES: REGISTRATION FOR SACRAMENTS 2023/2024:** The Pastoral Area has agreed that on line **registration** for First Reconciliation (Confession) and First Communion (Year 3 and above in September) and for Confirmation (Year 8 and above in September) **will begin ONLY ON LINE ON 1<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST AND WILL CLOSE ON 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER.** The link to the online sacramental registration forms is [www.lutonpastoralarea.org/registration/](http://www.lutonpastoralarea.org/registration/)

**NOAH BLUE BINS:** NOAH Bins are back at Sacred Heart next weekend 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> August. NOAH are in need of good quality, pre-loved clothes. Bric-a-brac is also welcome which can be sold in their shops e.g., books, toys, ornaments etc. Please donate your good quality pre-loved goods to help others.

**LEA VALE MEDICAL GROUP:**

**FAMILY GARDEN DAY** – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> August 12.00pm-2.30pm. Book online:

<https://familygardendaylvm.eventbrite.com>

**OPEN DAY** - 24<sup>th</sup> August – 2.00pm-4.00pm – Register <https://leavaleopenday.eventbrite.com>

**WELLBEING WALKS AND WORKS** - Book now/Find out more: email [community.leavale@nhs.net](mailto:community.leavale@nhs.net)  
(See Posters, giving information for all events, on the Noticeboard and list of dates and locations of walks and works.)

**GET WELL WISHES:** Sandra Defontaine has kindly requested the Parish to remember her husband Alan in their prayers. Alan Keith Defontaine has been unwell and is at home recovering from major surgery. As a Parish, we wish Alan well and pray for his recovery. In the meantime, please continue to keep Sandra and Alan in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult and worrying time.

**APPOINTMENTS:** If you have any concerns, sacramental requests, blessings, documentation etc that you wish to discuss with Fr Allan or Fr James please arrange an appointment by phoning or emailing the Parish Office. Thank you.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** Due to unforeseen circumstances, sometimes Mass Intentions have to be moved. We apologise for any inconvenience caused. Please always check the Newsletter. When requesting a Mass Intention please provide a telephone number or email so that changes can be notified. Please be assured that your Mass Intention will be offered at a later date.

**ST PAUL'S MISSALS 2024:** Please give your name to the Repository if you require a Missal for 2024.

**PEACE WALK - SATURDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> SEPTEMBER 1:30-5.00pm:** Visiting Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church, Luton Christian Fellowship, Luton Turkish Education and Culture Trust, Shri Guru Ravidass Sangat Luton. See Poster on the Noticeboard for full details.

**DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY:** 350 people attended the Diocesan Assembly on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July. At the end of the Assembly, Bishop David announced the creation of a Diocesan Pastoral Council. The first meeting of the Diocesan Pastoral Council will be in October. More about the council will be shared in due course. Bishop David has reflected on the assembly in a video which can be viewed here <https://youtu.be/Cq4GZ2hg2Zk> D

**COURSES: ENCOUNTER** - Princes Risborough: Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September - A day retreat to help people encounter the person of Jesus <https://northamptondiocese.org/courses/encounter-princesrisborough/>

**JAMES - DISCERNING GOD'S WILL:** A weekly course online for 7 weeks beginning in September 2023.

<https://northamptondiocese.org/courses/james-discerning-gods-will-autumn-2023/>

**PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE:** Pilgrimage to Medjugorje from 4<sup>th</sup> October to 11<sup>th</sup> October, flying from Luton. Cost per person sharing will be £706 with single room supplement of £130. Accommodation is at Tomato House which is very close to St James Church and grounds.

Deposit of £100 due as soon as possible payable to Mrs Pat Henry who will transfer the money to Marian Pilgrimages. Alternatively, flights can be booked at [www.marian.uk](http://www.marian.uk) where you can pay the deposit or full costs. You must be insured for this trip. Contact [pat@arthurmc.com](mailto:pat@arthurmc.com) for payment or queries.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Seamus McManus 1982; Vernon McLaughlin 1988; Laszlo Aradi 1999; Jane Bainbridge 1960; Kathleen Lyons 1971; Jane Early 2003; Christopher O'Leary 1981; Deidre Axten 2020; Claire Downey 1972; Elizabeth Nedley 1982; William McDaid 1989; Michael Gallagher 1998; Mary Gear 2007; Joseph Gillingwater 1968; William Mahoney 1989; Edward Higgs 1998; Thomas Markey 2004; Brendan Bradley 1982; Mary Wales 2004 ✠ **May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.**