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Welcome to the **HOLY GHOST PARISH**

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OUR LITURGY & NEWS THIS WEEK

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY of the YEAR - A

23 July 2017 – Day of Prayer for Europe

Today is the feast of St Bridget of Sweden, a patron of the whole of Europe. The Church asks us to pray that the entire continent, with such deep Christian roots and history, will be always faithful to the law of the gospel



Sunday 23 July 2017 – Sixteenth Sunday [A]

8.30am	RIP: Patrick Cavanagh & deceased members of the Cavanagh family, Phyllis Merrigan, Nora Black, Carol Lowrie
10am	RIP: Patrick Ryan INT: Sr Kathleen, Marlyn Dias
11.30am	People of the Parish INT: Finbar Fitzpatrick RIP: James, Mary & Francie McIntyre
7pm	<i>Mass for our Polish Community</i>

OUR LITURGY this week

Readings from Week 16 – Year 1

Monday – Feria – St Sharbel Makhluif - priest

9am RIP: Joseph & Annamma Karyvollyyii

Tuesday – St James, Apostle-Feast

7.30pm RIP Mr & Mrs N S Rilai

Wednesday SS Joachim & Anne, parents of the BVM

9am RIP: Ansaama Josrph, MP Varghese & Joseph

Thursday – Feria

7.30pm *Service of Word and Communion*

Friday – Feria

7.30pm INT: Private Intention
Exposition & Confessions follow. Benediction 8.25pm

Saturday - St Martha - memoria

Sunday 30 July – Seventeenth Sunday of the Year [A]

8.30am	People of the Parish RIP: Paddy Hoare, Mick & Mary Breen, Laurence Buckley, Mary & Pater Fallon
10am	RIP: Mary Diggin, Mary Barry
11.30am	RIP: Tom Morrison, Aurora Gutierrez INT: Sr Kathleen
7pm	<i>Mass for our Polish Community</i>

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK [ICEL 1998]

O God, patient and forbearing,
you alone know fully the goodness of what you have made.
Strengthen our spirit when we are slow
and temper our zeal when we are rash,
that in your own time you may produce in us a rich harvest
from the seed you have sown and tended.

THIS WEEK in our parish

Sunday Night Social – from 7pm – Parish Centre
Monday - 8pm - Rosary Group – Chapel
Tuesday- 8pm - Legion of Mary – Church Upper Room
Thursday – Social Club from noon – Parish Centre

CONTACT US

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Polish Community – Mass Sundays 7pm – [Fr. Piotr Redlinski Fr. Leszek Rygielwicz - ☎662807 e: parafiadunstable@gmail.com
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PARISH OFFICE: ☎ 722127 Parish Secretary: Caroline Anderson Monday to Friday 9.15am - 2.15pm e: mail@holyghostluton.com
Website manager: Teresa Pierpaolo
Parish Safeguarding Representative: *to be appointed*
PARISH CENTRE ☎ 722127 - Lounge and Hall available for hire
NORES - Diocesan Office for RE, Evangelisation, Schools, & Catechesis - 9.30-4.30pm [Monday-Friday] in the Parish Centre. ☎723312 / admin@nores.org.uk www.nores.org.uk
NYMO – Northampton Diocese Youth Ministry Office in the Parish Centre. ☎ 01582 720627 / nymo.org.uk

SCHOOLS - HOSPITAL & HOSPICE - AIRPORT

HOSPITAL - Chaplain: Fr Michael Patey ☎ 663706
Hospital Chapel - Last Friday of each month – Mass at 12.30pm
HOSPICE Chaplain: Fr Tony Brennan ☎ 502400
SCHOOLS Cardinal Newman Secondary [597125]
Primary - St Joseph [573446/572964] St Margaret of Scotland (723430)
AIRPORT CHAPEL – Catholic Service, 1st Wed. of the month 1pm



*The painting of the church is nearly complete, out and in. We dedicated the crucifix last week at 8.30 Mass. A light will be installed to illuminate it by night as part of the **Windows+** project. The bells too will be renewed as part of our witness to our Christian faith.*

CAFOD Power to Be campaign is launched in the parish this weekend!

FUND RAISING – Thank you.

We now have **£18,364**. Our target is **£150,000**.
Please help all you can!

OUR MASS TODAY

Processional

You are salt for the earth, O people:

Salt for the Kingdom of God!

Share the flavour of life, O people:

Life in the Kingdom of God!

Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy,

Bring forth the Kingdom of peace;

Bring forth the Kingdom of justice,

Bring forth the City of God!

You are a light on the hill, O people:

Light for the City of God!

Shine so holy and bright, O people:

Shine for the Kingdom of God!

You are the seed of the Word, O people:

Bring forth the Kingdom of God!

Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice,

Grow in the Kingdom of God!

We are the blest and a pilgrim people:-

Bound for the Kingdom of God!

Love our journey and love our homeland:

Love is the Kingdom of God!

The Sign of the Cross, Greeting and Introduction

Penitential Rite

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

And, striking the breast once, we say:

through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. Amen

Lord, have mercy - Christ, have mercy - Lord, have mercy.

Gloria [when sung a tune is repeated every two lines – indicated by */^]

*Glory to God in the highest,

and on earth peace to people of good will.

*We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,

we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory.

*Lord God, heavenly King,

O God, almighty Father.

^Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father.

^You take away the sins of the world, / have mercy on us.

^You take away the sins of the world, / receive our prayer.

^You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

*For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord.

*You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

*Amen. Amen.

with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Opening Prayer

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading - Wisdom 12:13.16-19 *After sin you will grant repentance*

There is no god, other than you, who cares for everything, to whom you might have to prove that you never judged unjustly. Your justice has its source in strength, your sovereignty over all makes you lenient to all. You show your strength when your sovereign power is questioned and you expose the insolence of those who know it; but, disposing of such strength, you are mild in judgement, you govern us

with great lenience, for you have only to will, and your power is there. By acting thus you have taught a lesson to your people how the virtuous man must be kindly to his fellow men, and you have given your sons the good hope that after sin you will grant repentance
The Word of the Lord THANKS BE TO GOD

Response to Psalm 85

O LORD YOU ARE GOOD AND FORGIVING

Second Reading - Romans 8:26-27

The Spirit expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words. The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness. For when we cannot choose words in order to pray properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words, and God who knows everything in our hearts knows perfectly well what he means, and that the pleas of the saints expressed by the Spirit are according to the mind of God.

The Word of the Lord THANKS BE TO GOD

Greeting the Gospel

Halle, halle, halle-lujah. Halle, halle, halle-lujah

Halle, halle, halle-lujah. Hallelujah, Hallelujah

Gospel - The Lord be with you - AND WITH YOUR SPIRIT.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew (13:24-43)
GLORY TO YOU, O LORD *Let them both grow till the harvest*
Jesus put a parable before the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everybody was asleep his enemy came, sowed darnel all among the wheat, and made off. When the new wheat sprouted and ripened, the darnel appeared as well. The owner's servants went to him and said, "Sir, was it not good seed that you sowed in your field? If so, where does the darnel come from?" "Some enemy has done this" he answered. And the servants said, "Do you want us to go and weed it out?" But he said, "No, because when you weed out the darnel you might pull up the wheat with it. Let them both grow till the harvest; and at harvest time I shall say to the reapers: First collect the darnel and tie it in bundles to be burnt, then gather the wheat into my barn." '

The Gospel of the Lord - PRAISE TO YOU LORD JESUS CHRIST

Acclaiming the Gospel

Halle, halle, halle-lujah. Halle, halle, halle-lujah

Halle, halle, halle-lujah. Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

Homily

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
all bow for the next two lines
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Intercessions

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

At the Preparation of the Gifts

The kingdom of God is justice and joy;
for Jesus restores what sin would destroy.
God's power and glory in Jesus we know;
and here and hereafter the kingdom shall grow.

The kingdom of God is mercy and grace;
the captives are freed, the sinners find place,
the outcast are welcomed God's banquet to share;
and hope is awakened in place of despair.

The kingdom of God is challenge and choice
believe the good news, repent and rejoice!
His love for us sinners brought Christ to his cross;
our crisis of judgement for gain or for loss.

God's kingdom is come, the gift and the goal;
In Jesus begun, in heaven made whole.
The heirs of the kingdom shall answer his call;
and all things cry, "Glory!" to God all in all.

Sisters, brothers pray, that my sacrifice and yours
may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

MAY THE LORD ACCEPT THE SACRIFICE AT YOUR HANDS
FOR THE PRAISE AND GLORY OF HIS NAME, FOR OUR GOOD
AND THE GOOD OF ALL HIS HOLY CHURCH.

Prayer over the Offerings

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you - AND WITH YOUR SPIRIT.
Lift up your hearts - WE LIFT THEM UP TO THE LORD.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God - IT IS RIGHT AND JUST.

- *The Priest continues the Preface until we sing the Sanctus*

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD GOD OF HOSTS.
HEAVEN AND EARTH ARE FULL OF YOUR GLORY.
HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST.
BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD.
HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST.

- *After the Consecration: "The Mystery of Faith" - we respond*
WE PROCLAIM YOUR DEATH, O LORD,
AND PROFESS YOUR RESURRECTION
UNTIL YOU COME AGAIN, UNTIL YOU COME AGAIN

The Communion Rite

OUR FATHER

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. FOR THE KINGDOM, THE POWER AND THE GLORY ARE YOURS NOW AND FOR EVER.

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever. AMEN

The peace of the Lord be with you always. AND WITH YOUR SPIRIT

Let us offer each other a sign of the peace of Christ

Agnus Dei

- *as the Bread [Christ's Body] is broken for us - when sung*
LAMB OF GOD, YOU TAKE AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD,
HAVE MERCY ON US [twice]
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HAVE MERCY ON US

The Communion

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
LORD, I AM NOT WORTHY THAT YOU SHOULD ENTER UNDER MY ROOF BUT ONLY SAY THE WORD AND MY SOUL SHALL BE HEALED.

Communion Procession – *we sing this chant together as we process*

EAT THIS BREAD, DRINK THIS CUP
COME TO ME AND NEVER BE HUNGRY.
EAT THIS BREAD, DRINK THIS CUP
TRUST IN ME AND YOU WILL NOT THIRST

Communion Thanksgiving

Lord of creation, to you be all praise!
Most mighty your working, most wondrous your ways.
Your glory and might are beyond us to tell,
and yet in the heart of the humble you dwell.

Lord of all being, I give you my all;
if e'er I disown you I stumble and fall;
but, sworn in glad service your word to obey,
I walk in your freedom to the end of the day

Blessing and Dismissal

Recessional

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and his righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you, *Alleluia*

We do not live by bread alone but by ev'ry word
that comes from the mouth of God. *Alleluia*

Organ Voluntary at 11.30am -

[In many places the people remain and listen to the voluntary as a time of prayer and reflection. Try it for yourself!]

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS (Music - CALAMUS Licence)

Readings taken from *The Jerusalem Bible DLT 1966*

Excerpts from the *Roman Missal (3rd edn) - ICEL.*

Gloria & Eucharistic Acclamations - Psallite

Gospel Acclamation - Traditional

Communion Procession - Taize

Processional - Marty Haugen

Preparation - Bryn Rees

Thanksgiving - Jack Winslow

Recessional - Karen Lafferty

MORNING OFFERING. *Fr Kevin mentioned this last week. Make these traditional words your own to offer the day to God.*

O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer you my prayers, works, joys, and sufferings of this day for all the intentions of your Sacred Heart, in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world, for the salvation of souls, the reparation of sins, the reunion of all Christians, and in particular for the intentions of the Holy Father this month. Amen.

(Written in 1844 by Fr. François-Xavier Gautrelet; found in [Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers](#), pg. 48)

A PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS – for the feast of SS Anne and Joachim, Mary's parents – 26 July

Lord Jesus, you were born of the Virgin Mary, the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne. Look with love on grandparents the world over. Protect them! They are a source of enrichment for families, for the church and for all of society. Support them! As they grow older, may they continue to be for their families strong pillars of Gospel faith, guardians of noble domestic ideals, living treasuries of sound religious traditions. Make them teachers of wisdom and courage that they may pass on to future generations the fruits of their mature human and spiritual experience.

Lord Jesus, help families and society to value the presence and role of grandparents. May they never be ignored or excluded, but always encounter respect and love. Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed in all the years of life which you give them.

Mary, Mother of all the living, keep grandparents constantly in your care, accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage, and by your prayers, grant that all families may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland, where you await all humanity for the great embrace of life with end. Amen. **Pope Benedict XVI**

LITURGY & SACRAMENT

MY DAY BY DAY for August – COLLECT YOURS TODAY!!!

TIME FOR PRAYER

POPE FRANCIS in July 2017 asks you to pray for lapsed Christians - that our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.

PRAY FOR ALL ON OUR PRAYER BOARD

- Add your requests there for your particular intentions

PRAY for ALL OUR SICK and HOUSEBOUND and all whose names are on the Prayer Board. Ask Sister Teresa to visit any parishioner who is sick at home in hospital [755917]

PRAY FOR ALL OUR DEAD to know God's mercy.

Those who died recently –



WINDOWS + FUND stands

at £18364.11 (Target - £150K)

MANY THANKS to all the individuals who are giving donations each week.

This really is helping us build up the fund.

Please think about what you can give.

FANTASTIC FUNDRAISING by two of our young people :

MICHELLE & GINNA GITHUA raised £100.40 with a cake sale as sponsor money for the Bike & Hike [See below!] This was a great surprise and just shows what can be done. **THANK YOU!**

- *Painting inside and out is nearly complete*

- *There are some major electrical issues, eg new fuseboard*

- *CCTV needs replacing*

- *The bells have to be overhauled*

- *Some boundary walls need rebuilding and*

- *in 2019 we will have serious issues to repair flat roofs!!!!.*

SO CAN YOU HELP ??

1 - with our Fund Raiser - Car Boot Sale

If you have any good condition, re-saleable items which you no longer need and would like to donate them - they will be taken to a car boot sale to raise monies for our Windows+ Fund. Please bring any items next Sunday and leave them in the Parish Centre main hall, there will be a collection point set up.***No cost, recycling and hopefully fund raising !! *** How brilliant is that.

2 - Bike and Hike - 9 September 2017

If you can cycle and walk we need your help to raise money for this charity, 50% of which will go to our own church for our current refurbishment project. From 10am on this date we meet with others from local parishes (normally at St Joseph's) and set off to visit as many churches as we can. The idea is that we get people to sponsor us a sum of money for each church we visit. The more people we can get involved the better. It's great fun to take part in visiting local churches, where we sign in, meet people from other host parishes and are offered refreshments on the way. We cycle as a group and you may wish to cycle to a few churches or as many as you can up until 6pm. For more information contact Elaine Wheeler on 07740 628032 and/or visit www.bedshertshct.org.uk/bikenhike.html



OUR PARISH DIARY

SOUP ROTA now available at the back of the church.
Holy Ghost covers 20 July – 10 August

29 July Solitude Saturday 10-3pm St Clare's Convent, LU3 1ND

6-10 August NYMO SUMMER CAMP 2017: 11-18 years - in Alton Castle. Includes day at Alton Towers. See notice board / contact Neil Roseman 720627.

2 September **MEDJUGORJE** - 7 nights half board from London Luton [£589] Contact Mary Gillespie 579120

4-9 September **PARISH LOURDES PILGRIMAGE**. Contact Parish Office for details. 5 nights full board, all inclusive, from £600. It is very prayerful and enjoyable!

Sunday 17 September. **Walsingham Pilgrimage for the Sanctity of Life led by Bishop Robert Byrne** Contact :581917 / 07789 243 453 / c.bolam2@ntlworld.com.

25-29 September – **Luton Irish Forum trip to Bridlington, Scarborough and Hull** (City of Culture 2017) - £299. 4 nights at 3* Hotel [half-board.] Coach travel and local excursions are included. Please call Luton Irish Forum on 01582 720 447 to book.

Fr Kevin's Diary –

Monday – Funeral Directors and Ecumenical Clergy meeting

Tuesday – Ecumenical Liturgy meeting

Wednesday-Saturday - Society of St Gregory Summer School, Leeds

OUR PREMISES

Church Cleaning – Group 3 – Wednesday 8pm

OUR PARISH FINANCES

THANK YOU - for last week 's collection - £1222.14

We need £1500 each week to pay for the church, grounds, Parish Centre and all our commitments. Please think about it. We have a large site and large buildings to maintain. I need to ask everyone to think about how we can increase the basic collection by 10% at least, and then address the need for fundraising as you can see.

POPE FRANCIS granted his Apostolic Blessing to Evans Ramesar for his dedicated service as sacristan in our church. This was presented last Sunday at 10am Mass. Evans still continues to look after daily mass and many of the others aspects of the our building. Congratulations to him and thanks for all he continues to do, with John Adjepong to prepare everything for our worship.

LOOK leaflet for children at Sunday Mass – this is for primary age children to help them explore the meaning of the readings here and at home. Please make sure you take one from the narthex racks and use it.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES 2017/18

- Advance notice of dates - Enrolment will begin soon

FIRST RECONCILIATION Sunday –

10 December 2017 3pm

FIRST COMMUNION Sundays – at all masses

2018 – 29 April, 6 May, 13 May

CONFIRMATION

Friday 4 May 2018 – 7pm