

Welcome to our Parish of the HOLY GHOST

Pastoral Area of Luton [St Alban] Diocese of Northampton

OUR LITURGY and NEWS – 18 February 2018

FIRST SUNDAY of LENT – Year B

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OUR LENT LITURGY

& Mass Intentions this week

Fridays of Lent

6.30am Mass

**7.30pm Stations of the Cross
Exposition & Confessions**

LENT GROUPS – Tuesdays 2.30pm here

Wednesdays 7.30pm at Beech Hill Methodist

TODAY - First Sunday of Lent Year - Year B

8.30am - Sung [People of the Parish RIP: Rose Evans,
Martin Walsh, Desmond Murray, Margaret Duffy]

10am - Music Group [RIP: Teresa Carey, Francina Joseph,
Raymond Corbett, John O'Hanlon, John Curneen]

11.30am – Organ and Cantor [RIP: Jack Moran, Peter
McIntyre, Suzanne Flannery, INT: Parish Intention]

7pm – Mass for our Polish Community

MONDAY– Lent Feria

9am – Service of Word and Communion

TUESDAY- Lent Feria

7.30pm - Service of Word and Communion

WEDNESDAY - Lent Feria

No Liturgy today

THURSDAY – Feast of the Chair of St Peter

9am Mass RIP: John McGroary

6pm-Reception – Tom Kelly

FRIDAY – Lent Feria - St Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr

CAFOD LENT FAST DAY

6.30am Mass– INT: Susan Byrne

2.15pm REQUIEM MASS – Tom Kelly RIP

7.30pm – Stations of the Cross – Eucharistic Ministers

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions. 8.25pm Benediction

SATURDAY – Lent Feria - No Liturgy today

NEXT SUNDAY Second Sunday of Lent Year B

8.30am - Sung [RIP: Imelda Penny, Mary Connolly,
Evanna Murnane, Tony Cloonan]

10am - Music Group [RIP: Mary McAnulty, Pat Kilduff,
Tom Hannon, Mary Murray, Maureen Owen]

11.30am – Organ and Cantor [People of the Parish
RIP: Kathleen McLaughlin]

7pm – Mass for our Polish Community

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday Night Social – Parish Centre. All welcome

Monday – 8pm Rosary Group - Chapel

Tuesday – 2.30pm Lent Group - Centre

- 8pm Sharing our Faith- *Bernadette*

- 8pm Legion of Mary – *Sacristy*

Wednesday - 9.30am- Church Cleaning -Group 1

-7.30pm- **Liturgy Course [6/6]**

-8pm- Society of St Vincent De Paul

Thursday – from 12noon – Senior Citizens' Social Club

PARISH FINANCES

THANK YOU for your generosity **£1324.86**

Second Collection next Sunday for CAFOD

We really need £1500 each week to meet our budget.

300 CLUB – renewal for 2018 from March begins now.

WINDOWS+ FUND now **£25266.01 (Target £150K)**

'Home Collection Boxes' in the Narthex. Any full yet?

CONTACTS

POLISH COMMUNITY - Mass in Polish - Sundays 7pm

☎662807 parafiadunstable@gmail.com

Frs Piotr Redlinski, Slawomir Strycharski SChr.

SYRO MALANKARA COMMUNITY

Eucharist : 10am every 4th Saturday

Fr Thomas Madakkumootil ☎07722116265

HOSPITAL - Chaplain: Fr Michael Patey ☎ 663706

HOSPICE Chaplain: Fr Tony Brennan ☎ 502400

SCHOOLS - *Cardinal Newman Secondary [597125]

Primary - St Joseph [573446/572964]

- *St Margaret of Scotland [723430]

[* schools in St Alban Catholic Academy Trust]

NORES - Diocesan Office for RE, Evangelisation, Schools,

& Catechesis - 9.30-4.30pm [Mon-Friday] in the Centre.

☎723312 / admin@nores.org.uk www.nores.org.uk

NYMO – Northampton Diocese Youth Ministry Office

in the Parish Centre. ☎ 01582 720627 / nymo.org

LENT = " is the special season for the ascent to the holy mountain of God." [CB] "In laying on us the light cross of ashes the Church desires to take off our shoulders all other heavy burdens - the crushing load of worry and oppressive guilt, the dead weight of our own self love. We should not take upon ourselves a burden of penance and stagger into Lent as if we were Atlas carrying the whole world on his shoulders." [Thomas Merton]

OUR MASS TODAY

OUR PARISH PRAYER to prepare for MASS

Leader - Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful

ALL - AND KINDLE IN THEM THE FIRE OF YOUR LOVE

Leader - Send forth your Spirit, and they shall be created

ALL - AND YOU WILL RENEW THE FACE OF THE EARTH

Leader - Let us pray (*we pause*)

ALL - Lord, by the light of the Holy Spirit, you have taught the hearts of your faithful. In the same Spirit help us to love what is right and always rejoice in your consolation. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Processional

Forty days and forty nights you were fasting in the wild.

Forty days and forty nights, tempted still yet unbeguiled

Sunbeams scorching all the day, chilly dew drops nightly shed.
Prowling beasts about your way, stones your pillow, earth your bed.

Let us your endurance share, and from earthly greed abstain
with you vigilant in prayer, with you strong to suffer pain.

Then if evil on us press, flesh or spirit to assail,
Victor in the wilderness, help us not to swerve or fail.

So shall peace divine be ours; holy gladness, pure and true.
Come to us angelic powers, such as ministered to you.

Keep, O keep us, Saviour dear, ever constant by your side,
that with you we may appear at the eternal Eastertide.

Greeting and Penitential Rite

Lord, have mercy - *Kyrie eleison*

Christ, have mercy - *Christe eleison*

Lord, have mercy - *Kyrie eleison*

LITURGY of the WORD

First Reading

Genesis 9:8-15

God makes a saving covenant with Noah

God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood.

There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.' God said, 'Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh. *The word of the Lord THANKS BE TO GOD*

Responsorial Psalm 105

SEEK THE LORD! LONG FOR THE LORD!
SEARCH FOR THE FACE OF GOD!

Give thanks and acclaim God's name always
make known God's deed among the peoples always.

O sing to the lord, sing praise always
tell all his wonderful works always.

Be proud of God's holy name always
let the hearts that seethe the Lord rejoice always

Consider the Lord who is strong always
constantly seek his face always.

Second Reading

1 Peter 3:18-22

That water is a type of baptism which saves you now

Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people 'by water', and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects. *The word of the Lord THANKS BE TO GOD*

We keep silence after the readings to prepare ourselves to greet and hear the gospel of Jesus Christ

**Greeting the Gospel - PRAISE TO YOU, LORD JESUS CHRIST
SON OF THE FATHER, WORD OF GOD**

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

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark (1:12-15)
GLORY TO YOU, O LORD

Jesus was tempted by Satan and the angels looked after him

The Spirit drove him out into the wilderness

and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him. After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand.

Repent, and believe the Good News.'

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

**Acclaiming the Gospel - PRAISE TO YOU, LORD JESUS CHRIST
SON OF THE FATHER, WORD OF GOD**

Homily

The Apostles Creed

used in Lent & Easter to remind us of our baptism

I BELIEVE IN GOD, THE FATHER ALMIGHTY,
CREATOR OF HEAVEN AND EARTH,
AND IN JESUS CHRIST, HIS ONLY SON, OUR LORD,
(*during the next two lines all bow.*)

WHO WAS CONCEIVED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT,
BORN OF THE VIRGIN MARY,
SUFFERED UNDER PONTIUS PILATE,
WAS CRUCIFIED, DIED AND WAS BURIED;

HE DESCENDED INTO HELL;
ON THE THIRD DAY HE ROSE AGAIN FROM THE DEAD;
HE ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN,
AND IS SEATED AT THE RIGHT HAND
OF GOD THE FATHER ALMIGHTY;
FROM THERE HE WILL COME TO JUDGE
THE LIVING AND THE DEAD.

I BELIEVE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT, THE HOLY CATHOLIC CHURCH,
THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS, THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS,
THE RESURRECTION OF THE BODY AND LIFE EVERLASTING.
AMEN.

**Intercessions - for our concluding prayer we pray together
for Bishop Peter's Year of Prayer and Vocation**

Thanks be to you, our Lord Jesus Christ,
for all the benefits which you have given us,
for all the pains and insults which you have borne for us.
Most merciful Redeemer, Friend and Brother,
may we know you more clearly, love you more dearly,
and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.



LITURGY of the EUCHARIST

At the Preparation of the Gifts

*Walk with me, oh my Lord,
through the darkest night and brightest day.
Be at my side, oh Lord, hold my hand and guide me on my way.*

Sometimes the roads seems long, my energy is spent.
Then, Lord, I think of you and I am given strength

Stones often bar my path and there are times I fall,
but you are always there to help me when I call.

Just as you calmed the wind and walked upon the sea,
conquer, my living Lord, the storms that threaten me.

As once you helped the lame and gave sight to the blind,
help me when I'm downcast to hold my head up high.

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*
SAVE US, SAVIOUR OF THE WORLD,
FOR BY YOUR CROSS AND RESURRECTION,
YOU HAVE SET US FREE

The Communion Rite

The 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 the sign of peace of Christ

Agnus Dei - as the Bread (Christ's Body) is broken for us -
LAMB OF GOD, YOU TAKE AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD,
HAVE MERCY ON US
LAMB OF GOD, YOU TAKE AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD,
HAVE MERCY ON US
LAMB OF GOD, YOU TAKE AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD,
GRANT US PEACE

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

Psalm 62

We respond with this chant together as we process to communion.

Let us support each other in prayer by our singing
O GOD, I SEEK YOU, MY SOUL THIRST FOR YOU,
YOUR LOVE IS FINER THAN LIFE

Communion Thanksgiving

You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst.
You shall wander far in safety though you do not know the way.
You shall speak your word to foreigners and they will understand.
You shall see the face of God and live.

Be not afraid, I go before you always.
Come, follow me, and I will give you rest.

If you pass through raging waters in the sea, you shall not drown.
If you walk amid the burning flames, you shall not be harmed.
If you stand before the power of hell and death is at your side,
know that I am with you through it all.

*Today we enrol our young people who are preparing for
First Eucharist [Communion] after Easter*

Blessing and Dismissal

Recessional

O Spirit-filled Christ Jesus
In fasting and in prayer
You went into the desert
And you were tempted there.

O Jesus, like us, tempted
To glory, wealth, and power
Make us like you unyielding,
Strong in temptation's hour.

Organ Voluntary at 11.30am

Prelude and Fugue in G minor - J S Bach

*[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: *The Jerusalem Bible DLT 1966 Excerpts from the Roman Missal (3rd edn) - ICEL.*
Common of the Mass - Plainsong Missal tone Gospel Acclamation - M Foster
Psalm - Collegeville Composers Processional - GH Smyttam & F Pott
Preparation - E White Communion Procession - B Hurd
Thanksgiving - Bob Dufford Recessional - Dolores Dufnerosb

**TAKE THIS LEAFLET HOME FOR YOUR PRAYER
or FOLD IT BACK TO THE FRONT FOR THE NEXT PERSON.**



2018

FRIDAYS in LENT

6.30am Lent Station Mass

7.30pm Stations of the Cross

8pm - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
with Confessions until Benediction at 8.25pm

READ

- Bishop Peter's Pastoral Letter for Lent
- My Day by Day booklet

FOLLOW

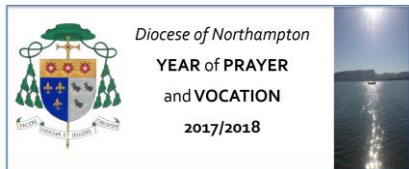
- Children's Lent Calendar
- Year of Prayer and Vocation
- Your personal resolution to do something for Lent

SHARE

- Ecumenical Lent groups: Tuesdays/Wednesday
- Today, Sunday 18 February: VISIT MY MOSQUE
at Oak Road and Bury Park Mosques
- 23 February CAFOD Lent Fast Day
- 25 February 4pm: READERS & EUCHARISTIC
MINISTERS' reflection for Lent and Easter

LITURGY & SACRAMENT

TIME FOR PRAYER



Pray with POPE FRANCIS in FEBRUARY -

Say "No" to Corruption that those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

[www.thepopevideo.org]

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].

Contact Fr Kevin directly if you want him to come and anoint someone to celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick.

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

Those who died recently, and whose funerals we are to keep :

MARIE BOLAM, ANDRE' TILL [26 February], TERESA EARLEY, JOHN CURNEEN, MARTIN BANNON, MARY GANNON, DIANE PRICE

Fr Kevin's Diary

Monday-Wednesday : Education Team, Stroud

Thursday – Diocesan Finance Day, here

Friday – Diocesan Trustees, Northampton

Saturday – Catholic Theology Association, here

READERS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, CHILDREN'S LITURGY LEADERS - COMMISSIONING for 2018 –

Anyone who missed being commissioned see Fr Kevin TODAY to be commissioned after mass

You must be commissioned to serve in 2018.

ROTAS out for the rest of Lent – collect yours

REFLECTION AFTERNOON next Sunday 4pm – a Lenten time to pray, be together, and prepare for Easter

DIOCESAN YEAR of PRAYER & VOCATION

FRIDGE MAGNETS in the shop @ £1!

BOOKMARKS available for your prayer each day!

Have you learned the PRAYER of St Richard for the year?

We have printed it for the last few weeks to pray at

Mass and it is on the bookmark. Let's know it by heart!

DEANERY MARRIAGE COURSE 24 February 2018

held at St Joseph's. Book now if you are marrying in 2018 or later. It is **compulsory** for all marrying here or anywhere else.

The **CATHEDRAL DEVELOPMENT CAMPAIGN** received a boost recently with the news that work could begin as soon as July this year! Father Mark Floody, Dean of the Cathedral, announced the news at Mass last weekend. Having raised a magnificent £2.4 million, our diocese is confident to authorise the beginning of this building project. To see Fr Mark's presentation, please go to the Cathedral website northamptoncathedral.org/live/ and click on the recordings tab navigating to the homily of the Sunday Mass of 4 February recording; or to donate and/or find out more, please call Angela Madge on 01604 712065 or email cathedralcampaign@northamptondiocese.com

OUR PARISH DIARY

Saturday 24 February: Solitude Saturday 10-3pm St Clare's Convent, Luton, Lu3 1ND

Saturday 3 March DIOCESAN MASS FOR MARRIED LIFE 12noon at Holy Family Church, Slough SL3 7UD.

Bishop Peter invites especially couples with significant marriage anniversaries : 1,10,20,25, 30,40,50 years, 60. Please speak to Fr Kevin to ensure you receive a special blessing or mfl@northamptondiocese.com. Leaflets in Narthex racks.

LOURDES 2018 – Parish Pilgrimage

with Aylesbury - 10-15 September

[4* - from £590] Contact Biagio Patalano 07980222620 or ask via the Parish Office.

LEARN MORE ABOUT YOUR FAITH – Catholic Certificate of Religious Studies in Bedford - 8 module course, 4 Saturdays a term.

See leaflets in Narthex for information/contact NORES.

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE MASS & HOW WE WORSHIP TOGETHER – last session, here in our Centre, 7.30-9pm Wednesday. Run by the Diocesan Liturgical Commission for the Pastoral Area Council. ALL WELCOME



LENT GROUPS 2018 will explore

The Passion of JESUS according to John

Tuesdays 2.30pm beginning 20 February
HERE at HOLY GHOST

Wednesdays 7.30pm beginning 21 February
at BEECH HILL METHODIST CHURCH, Dunstable Rd.

It is a great chance to meet, talk and pray with Christians from the other churches in the area. Come to one, some or all at either venue! The gospel we will look at is the gospel we read during the WALK OF WITNESS on Good Friday and in our own 3pm LITURGY of Good FRIDAY

PARISH CENTRE – in the Bernadette Conference room the toilets are being refurbished. This is a partnership between the Parish Centre and Diocese, so is not a cost on the parish, but improves our facilities!

CAFOD Family Fast Day: Friday 23

February 2018 this Lent is an opportunity to support our brothers and sisters who don't have enough to eat. On Friday can you give up a meal, or eat a simple meal, in solidarity? Malnutrition still kills

almost three million children a year. Your fasting, prayers and donations will ensure more of God's children have enough good food to eat. This Lent, your donation will make double the difference. For every pound you donate to CAFOD, the UK Government will also donate a pound, up to a total of £5 million. Thus twice the number of lives can be transformed. Twice the number of children can have the opportunity to grow up healthy and strong. Please collect your Fast Day envelope from church this week and give generously.

