

Welcome to our
Parish of the
HOLY GHOST



Diocese of Northampton
Pastoral Area of Luton [St Alban]

**OUR LITURGY
& NEWS**

13 January 2019

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OUR LITURGY THIS WEEK

Baptism of the Lord –Year C

The end of the Great Christmas Season

Readers are commissioned for 2019 today

8.30am - Sung Mass

[RIP: Tim Healy, Mary Doonegan, INT: Celia McManus]

10am – Sung Mass with Music Group

[RIP: People of the Parish RIP: Ned, George & Eddie Kilduff,
Jack Atkinson, Martin & Anne O’Hehir INT: Mabel McLaughlin]

11.30am – Mass with Organ and Cantor

[RIP: Carmel McManunis, Mary Muldoon]

5pm SOLEMN VESPERS for the feast

7pm Mass for our Polish Community

MONDAY – Feria - 9am Mass [RIP: Eileen Prior]

TUESDAY – Feria

7.30pm Mass [INT: Creaven Family, Chris Beare]

WEDNESDAY – Feria 7.30pm Mass [INT: Greta Downes]

THURSDAY – St Antony of Egypt, Abbot. No liturgy

FRIDAY – Feria

7.30pm Mass - [INT: Family Grummy, Betty Hever]

Exposition & Confessions until Benediction at 8.25pm

SATURDAY – Feria-St Wulstan. Our Lady on Saturday

NEXT SUNDAY – 20 January

2nd Sunday of the Year -Year C

Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity

A pulpit exchange with All Saints CofE Church

8.30am - Sung Mass –

[RIP: Yanez Lavelle Gerry McGrath, INT: Evelyn & family]

10am – Sung Mass with Music Group [Martin, Maura,

Peter & Alma Kavanagh, John McAnulty INT: Mary Gillespie]

11.30am – Mass with Organ and Cantor

[People of the Parish RIP: Peter McIntyre, Martin Geraghty,
Francesco Cannella]

7pm Mass for our Polish Community

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday Night Social – from 8pm. *Parish Centre.*

All very welcome. Music by Patch

Tuesday

7.30pm First Communion Parents’

Mass and meeting - *Centre*

7.30pm Adults Irish Dancing - *Centre*

8pm Legion of Mary - *Sacristy*

Wednesday

9.30am Cleaning Group 1& 2

Thursday -

From noon Senior Citizens Social Club

Saturday

[9]10am-11.30am First Communion

Candidates - *Centre*

CONTACTS

POLISH COMMUNITY - Mass in Polish – Sundays 7pm

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Fathers Piotr Redlinski, Slawomir Strycharski SChr.

SYRO-MALANKARA COMMUNITY

Eucharist : 10am every 4th Saturday

Fr Thomas Madakkumoottil ☎ 07722116265

HOSPITAL – Chaplain: Deacon Jim Hannigan

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.

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NYMO – Northampton Diocese Youth Ministry Office

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

NOAH Bins are here TODAY!!!

COMMISSIONING of READERS

for 2019 at all Masses today!

**2019 is OUR YEAR of PRAYER for OUR PARISH, following
Bishop Peter’s Year of Prayer and Vocation for the diocese.
Pray our parish prayer every day at home with the prayer
intention for the month. Visit our shrine of the Holy Spirit.
Pray there. Light a candle for us all. Ask yourself what more
can you do more for the parish in 2019?**

**TODAY we celebrate SOLEMN VESPERS of the BAPTISM
of JESUS at 5pm to renew our baptismal promises at
beginning of OUR YEAR of PRAYER for OUR PARISH**



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 Carol

*When Jesus comes to be baptised, he leaves the hidden years behind,
the years of safety and of peace, to bear the sins of all mankind.*

*The Spirit of the Lord comes down,
anoints the Christ to suffering,
to preach the word, to free the bound,
and to the mourner comfort bring.*

*He will not quench the dying flame,
and what is bruised he will not break,
but heal the wound injustice dealt,
and out of death his triumph make.*

*Our everlasting Father, praise, with Christ, his well beloved Son,
who with the Spirit reigns serene, untroubled Trinity in One.*

Greeting and Penitential Rite

Gloria

**GLORY TO GOD, GLORY TO GOD,
GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, AND ON EARTH PEACE,
AND ON EARTH PEACE, 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.*

LITURGY of the WORD

First Reading - Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11

The glory of the Lord shall be revealed for all to see

Console my people, console them – says your God. Speak to the heart of Jerusalem and call to her that her time of service is ended, that her sin is atoned for, that she has received from the hand of the Lord double punishment for all her crimes. A voice cries – Prepare a way in the wilderness, a way for the Lord. Make a straight highway for our God across the desert. Let every valley be filled in, every mountain and hill laid low, let every cliff become a plain, and the ridges a valley; then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all mankind shall see it; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken. Go up on a high mountain, joyful messenger to Zion. Shout with a loud voice, joyful messenger to Jerusalem. Shout without fear, say to the towns of Judah – Here is your God. Here is the Lord coming with power, his arm subduing all things to him. The prize of his victory is with him, his trophies all go before him. He is like a shepherd feeding his flock, gathering lambs in his arms, holding them against his breast and leading to their rest the mother ewes *The Word of the Lord – THANKS BE TO GOD*

Responsorial Psalm 103 –

BLESS THE LORD, MY SOUL! LORD GOD, HOW GREAT YOU ARE.

Second Reading Paul to Titus 2:11-14,3:4-7

He saved us by water and the Holy Spirit

God's grace has been revealed, and it has made salvation possible for the whole human race and taught us that what we have to do is to give up everything that does not lead to God, and all our worldly ambitions; we must be self restrained and live good and religious lives here in this present world, while we are waiting in hope for the blessing which will come with the Appearing of the glory of our great God and saviour Jesus Christ. He sacrificed himself for us in order to set us free from all wickedness and to purify a people so that it could be his very own, and would have no ambition except to do good. When the kindness and love of God our saviour for mankind were revealed, it was not because he was concerned with any righteous actions we might have done ourselves; it was for no reason except his own compassion that he saved us, by means of the cleansing water of rebirth and by renewing us with the Holy Spirit which he has so generously poured over us through Jesus Christ our saviour. He did this so that we should be justified by his grace, to become heirs looking forward to inheriting eternal life. *The Word of the Lord – THANKS BE TO GOD*

after a time of silent reflection Greeting the Gospel

ALLELUIA. You are the Christ everlasting, born for us all of a Virgin, you have conquered death, opened heaven to all believers. ALLELUIA.

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

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (3:15-22)

While Jesus after his own baptism was at prayer, heaven opened
A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people, who were beginning to think that John might be the Christ, so John declared before them all – I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am and I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandals. He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. Now when all the people had been baptised and while Jesus after his own baptism was at prayer, heaven opened and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily shape, like a dove. And a voice came from heaven – You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you. *The Gospel of the Lord - PRAISE TO YOU, LORD JESUS CHRIST*

Gospel Acclamation - ALLELUIA

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 – to conclude we pray the this Collect [ICEL 1992]

Open the heavens, almighty Father, and pour out your Spirit upon your people gathered in prayer. Renew the power of our baptismal cleansing and fill us with a zeal for good deeds. Let us hear your voice once again, that we may recognise in your beloved Son our hope of inheriting eternal life. Grant this through Jesus Christ, your Word made flesh,

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
in the splendour of eternal light, God for ever and ever. Amen

LITURGY of the EUCHARIST

At the Preparation of the Gifts

*The voice of God goes out to all the world.
His glory speaks across the universe.
The Great King's herald cries from star to star.
With power, with justice, he will walk his way.*

*The Lord has said : receive my messenger,
My promise to the world, my pledge made flesh,
A lamp to every nation, light from light,
With power, with justice, he will walk his way.*

*The broken reed he will not trample down,
Nor set his heel upon the dying flame.
With power, with justice, he will walk his way.
He binds the wounds and health is in his hand,*

*Anointed with the Spirit and with power
He comes to crown with comfort all the weak,
To show the face of justice to the poor,
With power, with justice, he will walk his way.*

*His touch will bless the eyes that darkness held,
The lame shall run, the halting tongue shall sing,
And prisoners laugh in light and liberty,
With power, with justice, he will walk his way.*

Let us pray together that this our sacrifice
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

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, HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST.
BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD.
HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST. 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.

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

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 [twice]
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 – our chant as we come to communion together

*Gaudete, gaudete! Christus est natus ex Maria virgine. Gaudete!
[Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice! Christ is born of the virgin Mary. Rejoice!]*

Communion Thanksgiving

*Baptised in water, sealed by the Spirit,
cleansed by the blood of Christ our King:
trusting his promise, heirs of salvation,
faithfully now God's praises we sing.*

*Baptised in water, sealed by the Spirit,
dead in the tomb with Christ our King:
one with his rising, freed and forgiven,
thankfully now God's praises we sing.*

*Baptised in water, sealed by the Spirit,
marked with the sign of Christ our King:
born of one Father, we are his children,
joyfully now God's praises we sing.*

Prayer after Communion

Procession to the Crib

*Once in royal David's city stood a lowly cattle shed,
where a mother laid her baby in a manger for his bed;
Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little child.*

*And through all his wondrous childhood
he would honour and obey,
love, and watch the lowly maiden in whose gentle arms he lay;
Christian children all must be mild, obedient, good as he.*

*Not in that poor lowly stable, with the oxen standing by,
we shall see him; but in heaven set at God's right hand on high;
when like stars his children crowned
all in white shall wait around.*

Blessing and Dismissal from the Crib

May God, who has called you out of darkness into his wonderful light,
May God, the source and origin of all blessing,
grant you grace, pour out his blessing in abundance,
and keep you safe from harm throughout the year. **AMEN**

May he give you integrity in the faith, endurance in hope,
and perseverance in charity with holy patience to the end. **AMEN**

May he order your days and your deeds in his peace,
grant your prayers in this and in every place,
and lead you happily to eternal life. **AMEN.**

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit,
come down on you and remain with you for ever. **AMEN**

Go in peace – THANKS BE TO GOD

Recessional

*O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant.
come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
come and behold him, born the king of angels:
O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord.*

*God of God, Light of Light,
lo he abhors not the virgin's womb.
Very God, begotten, not created.*

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS (Music - CALAMUS Licence)

Readings taken from *The Jerusalem Bible DLT 1966*

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

Common of the Mass – C Walker [Celtic Liturgy]

Gospel Acclamation – C Walker Communion Procession - Anon

Processional – Stanbrook Abbey Preparation – Luke Connaughton

Thanksgiving – M A Saward

Recessional : JF Wade

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LITURGY & SACRAMENT

TIME FOR PRAYER

MY DAY by DAY for FEBRUARY – collect your copy now!

POPE FRANCIS asks you to pray with him in January that young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.

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 by celebrating the Sacrament of the Sick.

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

especially for those who died recently : JULIAN GRIFFIN

OUR PARISH FINANCES

THANK YOU for your generous weekly offering : **£1338.54**

We need £1500 per week to build up reserves so please do think about this especially through Direct Debit or Standing Order. Gift Aid is a great boost to our income!

THE SHOP HAS NEW PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

300 Club Renewal for 2019 from March

Please help us by renewing NOW!!!.

WINDOWS+ FUND is now £ 36,772.27

We have already spent £62,176.14+. Our total spend is up to £80-85k. **HOW CAN YOU HELP?**

- 'Home Collection Boxes' are in the Narthex. Take one and return it full! **Can you help** with any
 - **unwanted foreign currency, or old pre Euro coins?**
- Over the past year these have raised **£1000!!!!**
- **gold, silver and jewellery** – can raise money too! - -
 - **unwanted Christmas gifts** make great raffle prizes.



BOOKING MASSES in 2019 – If you wish a masses to be celebrated on specific dates and times please make sure you ask NOW through the shop or office. Be very clear about the names and the date/time requested, with your contact details so that we can let you know if it is possible.

Fr Kevin's Diary this week :

Monday – NORES team meeting, Luton
Head Teacher Induction, Bedford

Tuesday – Catholic Universities, London

Wednesday- Clergy Fraternal, Luton

Thursday/Friday – Catholic Independent Schools, London

CONFIRMATION GROUP OF 2018 – we are now accepting you as servers and readers at Mass. Please see Fr Kevin asap. A few certificates still here!!!

OUR PARISH DIARY

TODAY- COMMISSIONING of READERS

for 2019 at all Masses

NEXT SUNDAY LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

ALL MUST HAVE COMPLETED THE GDPR FORMS

before they can be commissioned.

YOUCAT FOR KIDS - 25 January 2019 - 7.30-9.30pm

FOR ALL PARENTS How to pass on the faith to your children. Please make sure you book the date and time now – it's here !!!

26 January **Solitude Saturday** 10-3pm at St Clare's Convent, 3 Abigail Close, LU3 1ND

January 31 2019 10am-3pm CATHOLIC BASICS COURSE

– here at Holy Ghost. Want to know more about your Faith? Join us for a basic introduction to the Catholic Faith in four parts: GOD, CHURCH, MORAL LIFE, PRAYER. A day each part - teaching - interaction - discussion. Cost: £25 per person per day (£10 for the unwaged) includes a full lunch. Book: admin@nores.org.uk. Tel: 01582 723312.

1-3 February - LUX weekend for 11-18 year olds – great fun! Contact N YMO to book.

3 February 3pm HERE! - Catholic Handicapped Children's Fellowship Mass for those with special needs & families

February 7-9 in our Cathedral – we are the first host of the Dowry Tour of Our Lady of Walsingham in 2019!

LOURDES 2019. Our parish pilgrimage will be from 9-14 September. Book the dates now! A New Year's Resolution??

OUR PARISH in 2019 – from Fr Kevin

I want us all to keep 2019 as a Year of our Parish. This will allow us to build on the diocesan Year of Prayer and Vocation that has just finished, Let's think and pray about how we can build up the parish community by our prayer and by the way we respond to the vocation we each have from our baptism.

We have four groups which all need your help

- Catholic Spirituality

= *Prayer, Liturgy, Catechetics.*

- Social Life

= *how we come together socially each week and for other occasions*

- Premises

= *looking after our land and building, cleaning and maintenance, refurbishing our assets*

- Resources

= *includes finance, fundraising, and much more.*

Each month will have a different focus. Any ideas or help welcome!