

Welcome to our Parish of the HOLY GHOST
Pastoral Area of Luton [St Alban] Diocese of Northampton



OUR LITURGY and NEWS – 4 March 2018

THIRD 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 -Third Sunday of Lent Year - Year B

FIRST SCRUTINY for those becoming Catholics at Easter
8.30am - Sung [RIP: Peter McIntyre, Carmel McManus, Carmel Cleary]

10am - Music Group [RIP: Brian Dunbar, Pat Kilduff, Seamus Doherty, Kathleen O'Shea, Norman Ishmal. Int: Rita]

11.30am – Organ and Cantor [RIP: Maureen Byrne, Teresa Carey, Pat Kilduff, Tony Madden,]

7pm – Mass for our Polish Community

MONDAY– Lent Feria

9am [RIP: James Black, Mick Hanlon]

TUESDAY- Lent Feria

9am [Int: Ruth Farbar, Tony Burke]

WEDNESDAY – Lent Feria - *SS Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs*

9am- [RIP: Ann Wilkinson, Susan McGeehan]

THURSDAY – Lent Feria -*St John of God, religious*

7.30pm- [RIP: Maud Harkin, Rose Evans]

FRIDAY – Lent Feria – *St Frances of Rome, wife & mother*

6.30am Mass– [Int: Edward Martin Barrett]

24 Hours for the Lord: 7-8am Confessions & Exposition

7.30pm – Stations of the Cross – lead by our Readers

24 Hours for the Lord: 8-10pm Confessions & Exposition

SATURDAY – Lent Feria

NEXT SUNDAY Fourth Sunday of Lent Year B

8.30am - Sung

[People of the Parish RIP: Charles McNerney, Ann Brophy, Theresa Early, Susan Brohan]

10am - Music Group

[RIP: Tommy Kelly, Hughie McElwain, Maurice & Philomena O'Sullivan, Marion Sullivan]

11.30am – Organ and Cantor

[RIP: Mary McMeel, John Kavanagh, Monica Ring]

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 - 8pm- Church Cleaning -Group 3

SVP- Society of St Vincent De Paul

Thursday – from 12noon – Senior Citizens' Social Club

PARISH FINANCES

THANK YOU for your generosity £1252.41

We really need £1500 each week to meet our budget

Second Collection for CAFOD FAST DAY £1166.36

WINDOWS+ FUND now £26327.61 (Target £150K)

Thank you for £1000 donation from our Kenyan Community, especially the work of our young Kenyans!

'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

24 Hours for the Lord –

9/10 March

Confessions and Exposition

This initiative was introduced by Pope Francis, and this year's theme

is Psalm 130:4- "With you is

forgiveness." Don't miss out on this opportunity to grow

closer to Our Lord! See the poster and website for details of all our local parishes and their timetable.



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

God of Abraham lead us, **LEAD US TO YOUR KINGDOM**

into fruitfulness lead us,

LEAD US TOGETHER, LEAD US TO FREEDOM

God of Sarah be with us, **LEAD US TO YOUR KINGDOM**

through our laughter and labour

LEAD US TOGETHER, LEAD US TO FREEDOM

God of Moses and Aaron, **LEAD US TO YOUR KINGDOM**

out of slavery lead us,

LEAD US TOGETHER, LEAD US TO FREEDOM

God of Jesus Christ lead us, **LEAD US TO YOUR KINGDOM**

into your new creation lead us,

LEAD US TOGETHER, LEAD US TO FREEDOM

Guiding light for our journey **LEAD US TO YOUR KINGDOM**

out of shadows and darkness

LEAD US TOGETHER, LEAD US TO FREEDOM

God of all living people **LEAD US TO YOUR KINGDOM**

into unity lead us,

LEAD US TOGETHER, LEAD US TO FREEDOM

Lead us now and forever, **LEAD US TO YOUR KINGDOM**

give us now a new future, **LEAD US TOGETHER, LEAD US TO**

FREEDOM, LEAD US TO FREEDOM NOW!

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

Exodus 20:1-3,7-8,12-17

The Law was given through Moses.

God spoke all these words. He said, I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. You shall have no gods except me. You shall not utter the name of the Lord your God to misuse it, for the Lord will not leave unpunished the man who utters his name to misuse it. Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. Honour your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that the Lord your God has given to you. You shall not kill. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. You shall not covet your neighbour's house. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or his servant, man or woman, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is his.

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 see the Lord rejoice always

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

Second Reading

I Corinthians 1:22-25

We are preach a crucified Christ, the wisdom of God.

While the Jews demand miracles and the Greeks look for wisdom, here are we preaching a crucified Christ; to the Jews an obstacle that they cannot get over, to the pagans madness, but to those who have been called, whether they are Jews or Greeks, a Christ who is the power and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

The word of the Lord THANKS BE TO GOD

*We reflect in 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 John (2:13-25)

GLORY TO YOU, O LORD

Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.' Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said. During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them; he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had in him.

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.

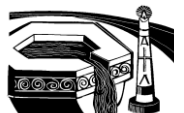
I BELIEVE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT,

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

Again we keep this solemn fast, a gift of faith from ages past,
This Lent which binds us lovingly to faith and hope and charity.

The law and prophets from of old in figured ways this Lent foretold,
which Christ, all ages' Lord and Guide in these last days has sanctified.

More sparing, therefore, let us make
the words we speak, the food we take,
our sleep, our laughter, every sense;
learn peace through holy penitence.

Let us avoid each harmful way that lures the careless mind astray;
by watchful prayer our spirits free from scheming of the Enemy.

We pray, O blessed Three in One, our God while endless ages run,
that this, our Lent of forty days,
may bring us growth and give you praise.

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 [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

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 THIRSTS FOR YOU,
YOUR LOVE IS FINER THAN LIFE

Communion Thanksgiving

All my ways lie open to your gaze.
When I walk or lie down you are before me:
ever the maker and keeper of my days.

You know my resting and my rising.
You discern my purpose from afar.
And with love everlasting you besiege me:
in every moment of life or death, you are.

Before a word is on my tongue, Lord,
you have known its meaning through and through.
You are with me, beyond my understanding:
God of my present, my past and future, too.

Although your Spirit is upon me,
still I search for shelter from your light.
There is nowhere on earth I can escape you:
even the darkness is radiant in your sight.

For you created me and shaped me,
gave me life within my mother's womb.
For the wonder of who I am, I praise you:
safe in your hands, all creation is made new.

Blessing and Dismissal

Recessional

Christ, when you saw the temple With merchants everywhere,
You drove them out in anger: This is the house of prayer!

Christ Jesus, see this temple, Keep it a holy place
Cleanse every heart if evil Transform us by your grace.

Organ Voluntary at 11.30am

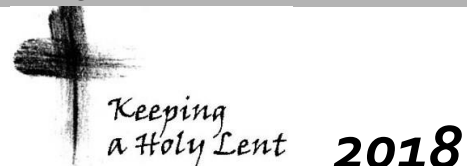
Prelude and Fugue in E minor – J S Bach

*[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 – Colledgeville Composers Processional – Bernadette Farrell
Preparation – Gregory the Great (Peter Scagnelli) Communion Procession – Bob Hurd
Thanksgiving – Bernadette Farrell Recessional – Dolores Dufner osb

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



FRIDAYS in LENT

6.30am Lent Station Mass. 7.30pm Stations of the Cross
THIS FRIDAY Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
with Confessions : 7-8am, 8-10pm

READ

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

FOLLOW

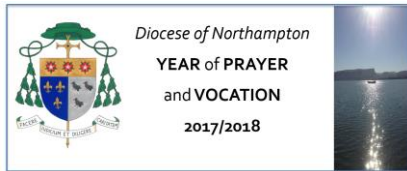
- Children's Lent Calendar
- Year of Prayer and Vocation
- Your personal resolution to do something for Lent

SHARE

- Ecumenical Lent groups : Tuesdays/Wednesday

LITURGY & SACRAMENT

TIME FOR PRAYER



POPE FRANCIS asks you to pray with him in MARCH - that the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels. [www.thepopevideo.org]

Pope Francis said on Wednesday :

Lent Is a Favourable Time to Intensify Your Spiritual Life

"Dear young people, the practice of fasting may help you, to acquire greater mastery over yourselves."

"Dear sick, prayer is for you, a means to entrust your sufferings to God and always to feel close to Him."

"Dear newlyweds, may the works of mercy help you, dear newlyweds, to live your married life always oriented towards the needs of your brothers."

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 : **MONICA MCINTYRE, KATHLEEN HERITAGE, MAUREEN BYRNE.**

DIOCESAN YEAR of PRAYER & VOCATION

FRIDGE MAGNETS in the shop @ £1 only.

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!

WINDOWS+ FUND Can you help? Have you any unwanted foreign currency, or old pre Euro coins. It would be great if you could donate these to help raise funds. Place unwanted currency in an envelope and hand in at the shop. Thank you for your support and generosity

Fr Kevin's Diary

Monday – Diocesan Schools Commission, Luton.
Readers' Course, Wellingborough.

Tuesday : Education, Luton

Wednesday : Ecumenical Liturgy Conference, London

Thursday : Teachers' training day, Cardiff

Friday : Teachers' training day, Luton

Saturday : Society of St Gregory Training Day, Luton

CONGRATULATIONS to our CATECHUMENS – Ivey, Luke, Luke and his family, chosen now to celebrate the **EASTER SACRAMENTS** at our Easter Vigil. Pray for them and their godparents as they journey to Baptism. [See the Rite of Election on <http://northamptoncathedral.org/live>]

300 CLUB – renewal for 2018 from March begins now.

February Winners are

£100 Eric Rose (106) **£30** Jim McGuinness (62)

£10 Anna McGuire (180) **£10** Mary Rodgers (289)

£10 Conor & Ciaran Hayes **£10** Kitty McNamara

OUR PARISH DIARY



LENT GROUPS 2018 explore The Passion of JESUS according to John

A. Tuesdays 2.30pm HERE at **HOLY GHOST**

B. Wednesdays 7.30pm at **BEECH HILL METHODIST CHURCH, Dunstable Rd.**

Meet, talk and pray with Christians from the other churches in the area. Come to one, some or all at either venue! We will read during the gospel during **WALK OF WITNESS** on Good Friday and in our own 3pm **LITURGY of GOOD FRIDAY.**

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK FOR THE BOSNIAN CHILDREN'S APPEAL

MASS FOR THOSE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS (CHCF).

Unfortunately, our mass due to be held at St Margaret of Scotland on 4 March has had to be cancelled. Please help to spread the word Our next mass is on April 15 at St Martin de Porres. Contact Sean Ballantyne [07930 305362]

Thursday 8 March 12.45 p.m. MEMORIAL MASS FOR Sr EILEEN O'MAHONY, DC, at Our Lady's, Castle Street - celebrated by Bishop Peter. She founded NOAH Enterprise.

Saturday 10 March LITURGY MATTERS! 10am-4pm HERE A day with the Society of St Gregory on how we celebrate the Mass together. Book at ssg.org.uk or forms in the Narthex.

Luton St Patrick's Festival March 2018

Friday 16 - A Wake in the West Drama 4pm/8pm at Luton Library Theatre



Saturday 17 - St Patrick's Day Celebrations – 11am – 3.30pm at Luton Irish Forum

Sunday 18 - Parade Day & Live Entertainment 10am – 4pm

Stewards required for the 18th – free lunch vouchers provided

Info: 01582 720 447 Tickets: 01582 878 100

Saturday 17 March St Patrick's Ceilidh, Cranfield Village Hall tickets £16 including hot buffet. Contact 07889 9264370

Wednesday 28 March. 7pm HOLY WEEK PASSOVER MEAL Tickets available after Mass - £3.50

2-9 June Medjugorje Pilgrimage 7 nights £589. For more details contact Mary Gillespie on 01582 579120

LOURDES 2018 – Parish Pilgrimage

with Aylesbury - 10-15 September

[4* - from £590] Contact Biagio Patalano

07980222620 or ask via the Parish Office.

SOUP KITCHEN ROTA - available in the Narthex. Holy Ghost Parish is on duty March 8 – 29

READERS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

If you were unable to be at the meeting last Sunday please collect your envelope from the narthex and fill in the form today. Anyone who missed being commissioned see Fr Kevin TODAY to be commissioned after mass You must be commissioned to serve in 2018.