

Welcome to our Parish of the HOLY GHOST

Pastoral Area of Luton [St Alban] Diocese of Northampton

OUR LITURGY and NEWS – 11 February 2018

SIXTH SUNDAY of ORDINARY TIME – Year B

World Day of Prayer for the Sick – Our Lady of Lourdes

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OUR DAILY LITURGY & Mass Intentions



BRING YOUR PALMS TODAY so that we can BURN THEM after Mass to make the ASHES for ASH WEDNESDAY

TODAY Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time Year B

8.30am - Sung [RIP: Rose Evans, Tom Soraghan, Des Murray, Teresa Earley]

10am - Music Group [People of the Parish RIP: Bernie McAnulty, Ann Greenhalgh, Marie Bolam INT: George Brock]

11.30am – Organ and Cantor [RIP: Kate Shannon & deceased members of the Shannon Family, John Murphy INT: Tom Burns]

7pm – Mass for our Polish Community

MONDAY – Feria

12noon REQUIEM MASS – Michael Linnie

7.30pm – Mass [Celebrant's Intentions]

TUESDAY - Feria

7.30pm Mass- RIP: Vinnie Flynn, Gary Bates

ASH WEDNESDAY Day of Devotion, Fasting & Abstinence

6.30am Mass- INT: Paddy Cosgrove, Mary O'Leary

10am Mass – RIP: James Black

7.30pm Mass RIP: Dominic Hever

THURSDAY – Lent Feria

7.30pm Mass RIP: Ciss Hill

FRIDAY – Lent Feria

6.30am – RIP: Teresa Carey

12.30pm REQUIEM MASS – Francesco Cannella RIP

7.30pm – Stations of the Cross – *Eucharistic Ministers Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions. 8.25pm Benediction*

SATURDAY – Lent Feria - Seven Holy Servite Founders

NEXT SUNDAY First Sunday of Lent 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



LENT 2018 begins this week with

Ash Wednesday - 14 February –

A day of fasting and abstinence

Mass, with Blessing and Distribution of Ashes

6.30am, 10am & 7.30pm

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday Night Social – Parish Centre. All welcome

Monday – 7.30pm Mass & Meeting First Communion parents

8pm Rosary Group - Chapel

Tuesday - 8pm Sharing our Faith- *Bernadette*

- 8pm Legion of Mary – *Sacristy*

Wednesday - 8pm- Church Cleaning —Group 5

Thursday – from 12noon – Senior Citizens' Social Club

PARISH FINANCES

THANK YOU for your generosity £1571.75

Crib Collection for Luton Food Bank : £164.50

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

300 CLUB – renewal for 2018 from March begins now.

WINDOWS+ FUND now £24,936.85 (Target £150K)

£125 raised from Quiz night, thank you to all that attended a very enjoyable night.

'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

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

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name ?

Will you go where you don't know and never be the same ?

Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,

will you let my life be grown in you and you in me ?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name ?

Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same ?

Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare ?

Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me ?

Will you let the blinded see

if I but call your name ?

Will you set the prisoners free

and never be the same ?

Will you kiss the leper clean,

and do such as this unseen,

and admit to what I mean

in you and you in me ?



Greeting and 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

Kyrie eleison - Christe eleison - Kyrie eleison

Gloria

Gloria, gloria in excelsis Deo Gloria, gloria in excelsis Deo

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.

LITURGY of the WORD

First Reading (Leviticus 13: 1-2, 45-46) *The leper must live apart*

The Lord to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons. The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the

head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean". As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart: he must live outside the camp.

The word of the Lord - THANKS BE TO GOD

Responsorial Psalm 102 *THE LORD IS COMPASSION AND LOVE SLOW TO ANGER AND RICH IN MERCY*

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 10:31-11: 1

Do all for the glory of God

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone - to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved. Take me for your model, as I take Christ

The word of the Lord - THANKS BE TO GOD

after a time of silent reflection **Greeting the Gospel**

Sing Alleluia to the Lord. Sing Alleluia to the Lord.

Sing Alleluia! Sing Alleluia! Sing Alleluia to the Lord.

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

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

GLORY TO YOU, O LORD

Feeling sorry for him Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him.

A leper came to him and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me'. Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately

sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to

anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the

offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your

recovery'. The man went away, but then started talking about it

freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer

go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where

nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

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

Gospel Acclamation - Sing Alleluia to the Lord.....

Homily

**At 11.30am Mass we celebrate with his family
the Baptism of Jace Je'han NOAH EDOVIC**

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 - *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

Lord, accept the gifts we offer at this Eucharistic feast,
bread and wine to be transformed
now through the action of thy priest.
Take us too, Lord, and transform us, be thy grace in us increased.

May our souls be pure and spotless as the host of wheat so fine;
may all stain of sin be crushed out, like the grape that forms the
wine,
as we, too, become partakers, in this sacrifice divine.

Take our gifts, almighty Father, living God, eternal, true,
which we give through Christ, our Saviour, pleading here for us anew
grant salvation to all present, and our faith and love renew.

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.

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 procession expresses the humble patience of the
poor moving forward to be fed, the alert expectancy of God's people
sharing the Paschal meal in readiness for their journey, the joyful
confidence of God's people on the march toward the promised land.
In England and Wales it is through this action of walking solemnly in
procession that the faithful make their sign of reverence in
preparation for receiving Communion."

[*Bishops of England and Wales*]

**We are then asked to bow the head reverently
just before receiving the Host and before receiving the Chalice
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 respond with this chant together as we process to communion.

Let us support each other in prayer by our singing
O LORD, HEAR MY PRAYER, O LORD, HEAR MY PRAYER,
WHEN I CALL, ANSWER ME. O LORD, HEAR MY PRAYER,
O LORD, HEAR MY PRAYER, COME AND LISTEN TO ME.

Communion Thanksgiving

We give God thanks for those who knew
the touch of Jesus' healing love;
they trusted him to make them whole,
to give them peace, their guilt remove.

We offer prayer for all who go
relying on God's grace and power,
to help the anxious and the ill,
to heal their wounds, their lives restore.

We dedicate our skills and time
to those who suffer where we live,
to bring such comfort as we can
to meet their need, their pain relieve.

So Jesus' touch of healing grace
lives on within our willing care;
by thought and prayer and gifts we prove
his mercy still, his love we share.

Blessing and Dismissal

Recessional – *today is the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes*

Immaculate Mary! Our hearts are on fire.
That title so wondrous fills all our desire
Ave, ave, ave Maria !



There is no need, Mary, Nor ever has been,
Which thou canst not succour, Immaculate Queen.

For poor, sick, afflicted they mercy we crave;
and comfort the dying thou light of the grave.

Organ Voluntary at 11.30am - Prelude and Fugue in B – 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 – F Duffy. J. Lillis. M. Foster Gospel Acclamation – L Stassen
Processional – J Bell/Iona Preparation – Sr M Teresine Communion Procession - Taize
Thanksgiving – M Perry Recessional – Traditional

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

KEEPING LENT 2018

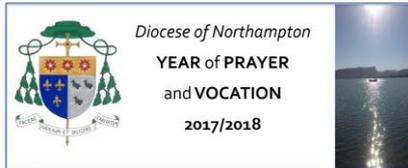
**AFTER MASS JOIN US OUTSIDE to
BURN THE PALMS to make the
ASHES for ASH WEDNESDAY
MASS & ASHES 6.30, 10am, 7.30pm**



- *Fridays – 6.30am Mass,
7.30pm Stations of the Cross*
- *Bishop Peter's Pastoral Letter for Lent*
- *Ecumenical Lent groups begin next week*
- *My Day by Day booklet*
- *Children's Lent Calendar*
- *keeping Year of Prayer and Vocation*
- *think about Confessions and*

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, MICHAEL LINNIE [12 February], FRANCESCO CANNELLA [16 February], ANDRE' TILL [26 February], TOM KELLY [23 February], TERESA EARLEY, NORMAN ISHMAL, JOHN CURNEEN, MARTIN BANNON

LOOK leaflet for children at Sunday Mass -

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.

DIOCESAN YEAR of PRAYER & VOCATION

FRIDGE MAGNETS in the shop @ £1!

BOOKMARKS available for your prayer each day!!!!!!

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.

Fr Kevin's Diary

Tuesday – Clergy Deanery meeting

Thursday – Bishops' Conference Spirituality, London

MANY THANKS

- to everyone who organised and supported the great **QUIZ NIGHT** last weekend. It not only benefitted the funds but was a good time for all who took part

- to everyone who supported and helped in any way with the **MUSIC CONCERT** by the Marian Consort last Monday. It was a brilliant evening, gifted to us by Luton Music. They love using the church and it is a really positive thing for the area.

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.

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.

OUR PARISH DIARY

Saturday 17 February: Galway Association Dinner Dance, Music by Mustang here at the Holy Ghost. Tickets £25 available from Jim & Eileen Devane

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.

LITURGY COURSE - week off for half term this week
Final session – Wednesday 28 February

WORD ON THE GO: The Bible for Busy Catholics

Word on the Go - www.wordonthego.org is an exciting new website which helps Catholics like you to:

- Build the Bible into your busy life.
- Deepen your faith and spirituality.
- Experience Scripture anytime and anywhere.

We explore the Bible - Prayer, the arts, the sacraments,

SHARING IN OUR MASS together

- we welcome anyone who is interested to join the music groups at any mass – to sing, support, play an instrument
- if the mass is being offered for your intentions then please ask to bring up the bread and wine

- we often need people to help bringing up the bread and wine, helping with the collection, with welcoming people to mass, with reading, and serving – so if you are willing to help in any way please see Fr Kevin

- if you want to book as mass for a special intention please ask the Office well in advance as sometimes we cannot accommodate everyone who asks for a particular day!

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**