

# St Joseph's, Bedford & Our Lady's, Kempston

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## TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

7<sup>th</sup> October 2018



### CAFOD APPEAL

CAFOD second collection today at all Masses. Please fill in your details on the envelope if you are able to Gift Aid your donation. Thank you for your continuing support for the work of CAFOD.

### FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES

The list is now closed to any further applications. Classes begin on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November at 9.15am in the Guild Room.

### TALK TO PARENTS

There is a talk to the parents of First Communion children this Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 7.15pm in the Guild Room (access from Church Street). All parents are requested to attend, please.

### WELCOME

We welcome the teachers and pupils of St Joseph & St Gregory School to the 9.30am Mass today.

### Mass Times – St Joseph's, Bedford

Sunday 8.15am Patricia Herbert, RIP  
9.30am Ann Baker, RIP  
11.00am Jose Leal Jr, RIP  
6.30pm Kathleen Covington, RIP

Monday *Feria*

10.45am Maureen Racine, RIP

Tuesday *Blessed John Henry Newman*

7.30am Michael Lazell, RIP

10.45am Mary Fanning, RIP

Wednesday *Feria*

7:30am Mary McGrath, RIP

10.45am Elsie Petts, RIP

Thursday *Pope St John XXIII*

10.45am David Rigby & Family

Friday *Feria*

10.45am May Neugent, RIP

Saturday *St Edward the Confessor*

10.45am Paul Constantin

### Mass Times – Our Lady's, Kempston

Sunday 9.30am Edmond Connolly, RIP

Thursday 6.00pm Private Intention

**Confessions: Saturday 11.30am – 12.30pm (Exposition)**  
**St Joseph's: 5.00pm – 5.30pm**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**May the Lord bless us all the days of our life.**

**ROSARY:** Daily, 20 minutes before the 10.45am Mass

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Thursday 11.30am-7.00pm

**ROSARY HOUR:** Friday 2.30pm

**CLEANING:** Allen, Wakaba, Porpeni, Odell

**FLOWERS:** Mrs Kavanagh

**NEXT SUNDAY: Twenty Eighth Sunday of the Year**

**Readers & Ministers:** Rota Week 4

**Children's Liturgy:** Edward & Geraldine Byrne

### PARISH BBQ

Thanks to all who attended the parish barbecue on a rather chilly day. The sum of £172 was raised, which brings our grand total for Fr Boniface to £4043.52. This amount will be sent to him for his on-going work with orphaned children and poor families. Thank for your generous support over the past twelve months.

### WEDDING

Please keep in prayer David Lovesey and Natalie Ventriglia who are to be married in St Joseph's church this Saturday at 1.00pm.

## **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Prayer meeting this Wednesday in the Guild Room at 8.00pm praying before the Blessed Sacrament with songs, readings and intercessory prayer. All welcome.

## **CATHOLIC MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT**

A day focusing on your marriage has been arranged on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November at Christ the King Parish Hall, Harrowden Rd, Bedford from 10am to 4.00pm. The day is designed to enrich your life as a couple and perhaps consider mentoring engaged couples in the parish. The day is free. Please bring a packed lunch. If interested please inform Canon Seamus. See poster for full details.

## **LEGION OF MARY**

There will be a short talk about the work of the Legion of Mary after all Masses next Sunday in St Joseph's.

## **PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE**

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje 14<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> May 2019. Anyone interested in going please contact Mary Frost on 304014 soon so as to take advantage of cheaper flight if booked early i.e. before Christmas.

## **REVELATION THROUGH UNITY**

We are invited to the launch of 'Revelation Through Unity', a new cross-denominational group to hear directly from God in order to reach the level of unity of believers that Jesus prayed for in Jn 17:20-23. Meet at 3pm on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October at 15 Brendon Ave, Bedford MK41 9EF. RSVP to Greg and Patsy Peachey [greg.peachey@gmail.com](mailto:greg.peachey@gmail.com) or 965671 or 07900 221347.

## **REFLECTION DAY FOR READERS**

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at the RE Centre, Luton from 10.00am to 12.30pm, on the gospel of St Luke. Cost £5. Booking forms from the presbytery.

## **SVP RETIRING COLLECTION**

Thank you for your generous giving towards the SVP Retiring Collection last Sunday which amounted to £910 between both parishes.

## **NEW PARISH PROJECT**

The parish fundraising group have decided to support two charities for the next two years, namely the Bedford Daycare Hospice and Mary's Meals. A talk on both these Charities will be delivered shortly. We start our fundraising with a Parish Quiz on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October followed by a Curry Night on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November. Book these dates now!

## **CURRY NIGHT**

A Curry Night has been arranged for Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November 7.00pm for 7.15pm at Indiya Restaurant, The Broadway, Bedford, at £15 per person of which the restaurant will give £2.50 per diner to our new parish project. Please place your name on the sheet at the back of the church if you wish to indulge in a splendid repast!

## **DAY OF REFLECTION**

Fr Derek Laverty will be leading a Day of Reflection on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October from 10.00am to 3.30pm in SS Philip & James parish Room, Severn Way, Brickhill, Bedford. Please bring a packed lunch. Drinks provided. All welcome. Please see noticeboard for full details.

## **DIVINE MERCY RETREAT**

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October from 2.30pm to 5.30pm in St Martin de Porres Church, 366 Leagrave High Street, Luton LU4 0NG. All welcome. Full information on leaflets at the back of the church.

## **POST CARD PETITION**

SPUC has produced postcards to send to your MP Mr Mohammad Yasin, urging him to vote against a dangerous abortion bill which is coming up in the House of Commons on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2018. The bill seeks to decriminalise abortion which would remove any effective legal protection for unborn babies and their mothers. Postcards are available at the back of the church.

## **REQUIESCANT IN PACE**

Please for Mike Tighe and Italia Regolo RIP.

### **LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS**

Offertory

St Joseph's £1243.72

Our Lady's £531.79

Thank you.