

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

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**THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY  
OF THE YEAR**  
4<sup>th</sup> November 2018



## FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES

Classes for the children preparing for their First Confession and First Holy Communion begin this Saturday at 9.15am in the Guild Room (access from Church Street). All must attend, please.

## BLESSING OF GRAVES

The blessing of graves in the month of November will be as follows: Foster Hill Road today. Norse Road and Kempston on Sunday 11th November. Each service will begin with prayers near the entrance to the cemetery at 2.30pm followed by the blessing of individual graves. Please let Canon Seamus or Fr Nathaniel know if there is a request to bless any graves in Wootton Cemetery.

## CURRY NIGHT

Curry Night this 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 parish project. Please place your name on the sheet at the back of the church **today** if you wish to attend.

## Mass Times – St Joseph's, Bedford

Sunday 8.15am People of the Parish  
9.30am Holy Souls  
11.00am Holy Souls  
6.30pm Holy Souls

Monday *Feria*

10.45am John Voogd, RIP

Tuesday *Feria*

7.30am Holy Souls

10.45am Evelyn Foy, RIP

Wednesday *Feria*

7.30am Holy Souls

10.45am Holy Souls

Thursday *Blessed John Duns Scotus*

10.45am Liz Rodney, RIP

Friday

*Dedication of the Lateran Basilica*

10.45am Holy Souls

Saturday

*Pope St Leo the Great*

10.45am Holy Souls

## Mass Times – Our Lady's, Kempston

Sunday 9.30am Holy Souls  
Thursday 6.30pm Holy Souls

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

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: I love you, Lord, my strength.**

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

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

**ROSARY HOUR: Friday 2.30pm**

**CLEANING: Cummings, Petts, George**

**FLOWERS: Mrs Crow & Mrs Bino**

**NEXT SUNDAY: Thirty Second Sunday of the Year**

**Readers & Ministers: Rota Week 4**

**Children's Liturgy: Bimla & Natalie Mathew**

## MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

As far as possible, the Masses in November will be offered each day for the Holy Souls. If you wish to include the names of your deceased loved ones in these daily Masses, then please list them and place the list in the envelopes provided at the back of the church and return envelopes to the presbytery or the church.

## SECOND COLLECTION

Second collection today for the Bishop's Maintenance Fund, supporting the bishop in his work for the diocese.

## **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.

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

The Eucharistic Prayer Group, to be known as Adoremus Prayer Group, will meet this Wednesday at 8.00pm in the Guild Room to pray for an hour before the Blessed Sacrament with readings, song, intercessory prayer and music. All are welcome to join in this time of prayer together.

## **CHRISTMAS DRAW**

Tickets for our Christmas Draw are now available after the Masses today at £2.50 a book. Donations of prizes for the Draw gratefully received.

## **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.

## **PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA**

A proposed parish pilgrimage to Fatima 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> September 2019. Cost depends on how many wish to go. 20 passengers=£585 per person based on sharing a twin room or 30 passengers=£546 per person. Prices include full board and flights. Single room supplement £90 per person. Please let Canon Seamus know as soon as possible so that we have an idea of interest. A deposit of £200 per person will be required by mid December 2018.

## **REQUIESCANT IN PACE**

Please pray for the repose of the souls of David Gomm and Catherine Kelly. May they rest in the peace of the Lord.

## **LATIN MASS**

The Latin Mass Society will be celebrating a Mass of Reparation for the Irish Referendum on Abortion in St Joseph's church on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November at 12 noon. This will be a Latin High Mass with professional musicians. All welcome.

## **VOCATIONS WEEKEND**

Northampton Diocese will be hosting a weekend for those men considering the vocation to the priesthood. This will be held at Northampton Cathedral from Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December to Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December. If you are interested please contact the Cathedral office on 01604 714556.

## **CATHOLIC BASICS**

Want to know more about your faith. Join us at the RE Centre, Luton for a basis introduction to the Catholic faith in four parts: God, The Church, The Moral Life, Prayer. For each part there is a day of engaging teaching with opportunities for interaction and discussion. Cost: £25 per person per day (£10 for the unwaged). Price includes a full lunch. Part 1 starts on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019, 10am – 3.00pm (arr. 9.30am for refreshments) at the RE Centre, Holy Ghost Parish, 33 Westbourne Road, Luton LU4 8JD. To book contact [admin@nores.org.uk](mailto:admin@nores.org.uk) or phone Jackie on 01582 723312. Please see poster for full details.

## **YOU CAT FOR KIDS**

There will be a launch of a Catechism for younger children on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November at SS Philip & James church hall from 7.30pm – 9.00pm. If you wish to attend and hear more about this new resource for children, please fill in a booking form from the presbytery.

## **ITEMS NEEDED FOR THE FOOD BANK**

Squash, Cup a Soup, 500g/250g bags of rice, Jars of pasta sauce, Boxes of 40/80 teabags, tinned rice pudding and fruit, UHT fruit juice and milk, tinned chicken meat, tuna, spaghetti hoops. Place items in the green bin or box at the back of the church.

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

**Offertory**

**St Joseph's £1123.31**

**Our Lady's £359.71**

**Thank you.**