

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

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## EPIPHANY OF THE LORD 6<sup>th</sup> January 2019



### FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

The next class for the children preparing for their First Holy Communion is this Saturday at 9.15am in the Guild Room. Full attendance, please.

### TALK TO PARENTS

There is a talk to parents of the First Communion children this Thursday at 7.15pm in the Guild Room. Your attendance is important.

### SURPLUS GIFT SALE

We will be holding a Surplus Gift Sale in aid of our parish project on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> January after all Masses in the Guild Room and in the porch of Our Lady's, Kempston. Gifts can be handed into the presbytery or Our Lady's church.

### CHRISTMAS CARD SALE

A profit of £341 was made from the Christmas Card Sale for our parish project. Thanks to all who bought items and especially to Pam McNally, Mary Frost, Deirdre Castro and Phil Hills for helping with the sale.

### Mass Times – St Joseph's, Bedford

Sunday	8.15am	Private Int.
	9.30am	Michael Costello, RIP
	11.00am	Jean Petts
	6.30pm	Evelyn Foy, RIP
Monday	<i>Feria</i>	
	10.45am	Bob & Joe Zak; Katy Szczurko, RIP
Tuesday	<i>Feria</i>	
	7.30am	Jennifer Podesta
	10.45am	Maria & Teodor Bazylewicz, RIP
Wednesday	<i>Feria</i>	
	7.30am	Maria Cunto & Family
	10.45am	Pamela Voogd, RIP
Thursday	<i>Feria</i>	
	10.45am	Frances McFadden, RIP
Friday	<i>Feria</i>	
	10.45am	John Macken & Family Ints.
Saturday	<i>Feria</i>	
	10.45am	Conroy & McFadden Families, RIP

### Mass Times – Our Lady's, Kempston

Sunday	9.30am	Elain & Mick McLennan
Thursday	6.00pm	Alan Wright, RIP

<b>Confessions: Saturday</b>	<b>11.30am – 12.30pm (Exposition)</b>
<b>St Joseph's:</b>	<b>5.00pm – 5.30pm</b>

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**All nations shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord.**

**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, Bahoum

**FLOWERS:** Mrs Kavanagh

**NEXT SUNDAY: Baptism of the Lord**

**Readers & Ministers:** Rota Week 1

**Children's Liturgy:** Lyn Bull

### CRIB OFFERING

Money placed in the Crib Offering box is in aid of our parish project: Mary's Meals and Bedford Daycare Hospice.

### CATHOLIC BEDFORD

Visit [www.catholicbedford.wordpress.com](http://www.catholicbedford.wordpress.com) for events and news in the Bedford Pastoral Area.

## **CHRISTMAS DRAW**

Thanks to all who bought tickets for the Christmas Draw and all who donated prizes. A total of £875.30 was raised from the draw for our parish project. The list of prize winners is on the noticeboard in the porch and prizes can be collected from the presbytery at St Joseph's and from Our Lady's, Kempston.

## **SPUC WHITE FLOWER APPEAL**

There will be a second collection next Sunday at all Masses for the work of the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC). The Society is currently campaigning to stop the decriminalisation of abortion, which means taking abortion outside the law. This is the most dangerous threat to unborn children and their mothers in decades. Please take a card from the porch, filling in your details, asking the Prime Minister not to give parliamentary time to decriminalising abortion, and post the card to SPUC. The Society will then deliver this card to the Prime Minister.

## **TABLE TOP SALE**

Table Top Sale at Christ the King Parish Hall, Harrowden Road, on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> January from 9.00am to 12noon. Entry 50p. For information call 965497.

## **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. 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. Booking forms from the presbytery or contact [admin@nores.org.uk](mailto:admin@nores.org.uk) or phone Jackie on 01582 723312. Please see poster for full details.

## **LUX.GOLD**

This is a fun residential weekend for young Catholics aged 11 – 18 years from 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> February at the Kings Park Conference Centre, Northampton and costs £100, which includes accommodation and all meals. Please contact Fiona on 01582 720627 or email [fiona@nymo.org](mailto:fiona@nymo.org) for more information.

## **GOOD COUNSEL NETWORK**

The pro-life Good Counsel Network is inviting us to pray and fast for the end of abortion and euthanasia in this country on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> January, the day before the 22<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the founding of the Good Counsel Network. For further details about this day please see noticeboard and visit: [www.goodcounselnetwork.com](http://www.goodcounselnetwork.com)

## **PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA**

Those who have expressed an interest in the parish pilgrimage to Fatima from 11<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> September 2019 are asked to pick up a booking form from Canon Seamus to be filled out with a deposit of £200 now due. If anyone else is interested in going then please inform Canon Seamus as soon as possible.

## **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 as soon as possible.

## **REQUIESCANT IN PACE**

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Sister Anne Tighe, Frances McFadden, Susan Clancy and Ann McAneney. May they rest in the peace of the Lord.

*May the light of the Christ-child  
forever shine upon you and guide  
you to the eternal day.*

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

**Offertory**

**St Joseph's £1048.20**

**Our Lady's £237.23**

**Thank you.**