

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

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TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

1st September 2019



SURVIVE-MIVA APPEAL

There is an appeal at all Masses today with a second collection for the charity Survive-Miva, which is a Catholic lay Association providing funding for essential transport for health out-reach work in isolated rural areas and for the Church's pastoral care in places of difficult access in different parts of the developing world.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES

The parents of children who wish to make their First Confession and Holy Communion next year are asked to collect a form from the sacristy after Sunday Mass. Your child should be in Year 3 or above. Completed forms must be returned by Sunday 29th September.

ADOREMUS PRAYER GROUP

The Adoremus Prayer Group meets this Wednesday at 8.00pm in the Guild Room for an hour of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. All welcome.

Mass Times – St Joseph's, Bedford

Sunday 8.15am Private Int.
9.30am In Thanksgiving (King Family)
11.00am Kavanagh Family
6.30pm John Brennan, RIP

Monday *Feria*

10.45am Dennis Gilbert, RIP

Tuesday *Pope St Gregory the Great*

7.30am Private Int.

10.45am In Thanksgiving

Wednesday *St Cuthbert*

7.30am Maria & Teodor Bazylewicz, RIP

10.45am Johnson, RIP

Thursday *St Teresa of Calcutta*

10.45am Sister Maria Puliampallic, RIP

Friday *Feria*

10.45am Evelyn Foy, RIP

Saturday *Votive Mass of Our Lady*

10.45am Bob & Joe Zak; Katy Szczurko, RIP

Mass Times – Our Lady's, Kempston

Sunday 9.30am People of the Parish

Thursday 6.00pm Mass for Vocations

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

In your goodness, O God, you prepared a home for the poor.

ROSARY: Daily, 20 minutes before the 10.45am Mass

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Thursday 11.30am-7.00pm

ROSARY HOUR: Friday 2.30pm

CLEANING: Mukuze, Kahari, Ndoro

FLOWERS: Mrs Crow

NEXT SUNDAY: Twenty Third Sunday of the Year

Readers & Ministers: Rota Week 3

Children's Liturgy: Edward & Geraldine Byrne

FATIMA DEVOTIONS

Fatima Devotions this Saturday after the 10.45am Mass to pray for peace.

QUARTERLY PARISH BULLETIN

Please take a copy of the latest Quarterly Parish Bulletin from the back of the church. Plenty of reading!

PARISH BBQ

Our next funding raising event for our parish project is a Parish BBQ Sunday 8th September at 2.00pm in the grounds of Our Lady's church, Kempston. Tickets on sale after all Masses today at £5 per adult and £3 for a child. **Please add your name to the blue sheet at the back of the church if you want to attend.**

EVC UGANDA CONCERT

Stewartby Operatic Society is kindly providing a musical evening in aid of EVC Uganda on Wednesday 18th September at the **Castle Newnham School, Polhill Avenue, Bedford MK41 9DT** starting at 7.30pm. Cheese and wine will be provided plus cakes, crisps and soft drinks for children. Fr Boniface will be in attendance. Tickets at £5 per adult (no entry fee for children), can be bought at the door on the night. Contact Judi Fawcett on 838134 or email info@evcuganda.org.

BEDFORD PASTORAL AREA

The Bedford Pastoral Area is holding a Day of Reflection on Saturday 21st September in the Holy Cross Parish Hall, Goldington Road, from 11am to 3.00pm. Please bring a packed lunch. More details to follow.

RELATIONSHIPS & SEX EDUCATION (RSE)

Do you know what your children are being taught at school? A presentation event this evening at the Westbourne Road Centre, Westbourne Road, Bedford MK40 4PQ at 5.45pm. All invited to attend.

SPONSORED WALK-THANK YOU

Mary Frost would like to thank all those who sponsored her for Cancer Research. She has completed the walk and any monies promised can be given to her personally or at the presbytery, marking your donation 'Sponsored Walk'.

CATHOLIC BEDFORD

Visit www.catholicbedford.wordpress.com for events and news in the Bedford Pastoral Area.

MASS FOR VOCATIONS

A Mass for more priestly and religious vocations will be offered this Thursday in Our Lady's, Kempston at 6.00pm followed by Rosary and Benediction. This is a very important need in our diocese, so please come along to pray for this intention.

LITTLE WAY HEALING MINISTRIES

Open Healing Day with Fr Laurence Brassill and Mrs Pauline Edwards and team on Saturday 7th September 10.45am – 4.40pm in St Joseph's church. Mass at 10.45am followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions until 12.30pm. Lunch in the Guild Room from 12.30pm to 1.30pm. Please bring a packed lunch. Sharing in scripture, testimonies, laying on of hands and prayers for healing 1.30pm – 4.30pm. Web information: www.littlewayhealingministries.com. All welcome.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land from 12th to 19th October 2020. Price: £1540 per person sharing a twin/double room on a half-board basis. Single room supplement is £280. Price includes return airfare from Luton Airport, hold baggage, accommodation, all transport in the Holy Land, tips and gratuities and all entrance fees. A deposit of £400 and completed booking form required by 12th December 2019 with the balance due by 12th June 2020. Please let Canon Seamus know of your interest as soon as you can.

CAFOD SUPPORTERS EVENT

Come and hear about CAFOD's work in Uganda, our harvest focus country. Saturday 7th September in St Mary's Hall, Aspley Hill, Woburn Sands MK17 8NN. 10.30am – 1.30pm. Shared lunch at 1.30pm. Please call 01494 863777 or email northampton@cafod.org.uk if you wish to attend.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR CARE OF CREATION

Today is a World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. Copies of this prayer are at the back of the church. Please take one.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

Offertory

St Joseph's £1180.42

Our Lady's £282.91

Thank you.