

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

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THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

17th November 2019



FAREWELL

We say farewell to Fr Evaristus as he leaves the parish tomorrow on his return home. We had just got used to pronouncing his name! We thank him for his short time with us and the help he was able to render during this time of change. We wish him well and accompany with our prayers.

WEEKDAY MASSES

As we no longer have an assistant priest, there will be a couple of changes in the weekday Mass schedule. There will no longer be a 7.30am Mass in St Joseph's on a Wednesday and no 6.00pm Mass on a Thursday in Our Lady's. The early morning Mass on Tuesday in St Joseph's will remain for the time-being. There will be times when I will be unavailable to say the 10.45am weekday Mass. If I am unable to arrange for another priest to supply on those occasions then we will have a service of Word and Communion instead. Also, there will be no longer Saturday evening Confessions at 5.00pm. **Vigil Mass next Sat at 6pm in Our Lady's. No 9.30am Mass.**

Mass Times – St Joseph's, Bedford

Sunday	8.15am	Holy Souls
	9.30am	Gus & William Orr, RIP
	11.00am	Holy Souls
	6.30pm	Holy Souls
Monday	<i>Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss Peter & Paul</i>	
	10.45am	George Paulo
Tuesday	<i>Feria</i>	
	7.30am	Benefactors of Priests' Fund
	10.45am	Nick & Bridie Keisters, RIP
Wednesday	<i>St Edmund</i>	
	10.45am	James Foy, RIP
Thursday	<i>Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	
	10.45am	Holy Souls
Friday	<i>St Cecilia</i>	
	10.45am	Holy Souls
Saturday	<i>St Columban</i>	
	10.45am	Holy Souls

Mass Times – Our Lady's, Kempston

Sunday	9.30am	Holy Souls
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**Confessions: Saturday 11.30am – 12.30pm (Exposition)
St Joseph's:**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The Lord comes to rule the peoples with fairness.

ROSARY: Daily, 20 minutes before the 10.45am Mass

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Thursday 11.30am-7.00pm

CLEANING: Cummings, Petts, Bahoum, George

FLOWERS: Mrs Redmond

NEXT SUNDAY: Feast of Christ the King

Readers & Ministers: Rota Week 2

Children's Liturgy: Lyn Bull

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY

Deacon Tony Quinlan of the parishes of Holy Cross & Ss Philip & James is now the Catholic Chaplain at Bedford South Wing Hospital. If you know of a family member or friend who is in hospital and would like a visit from Deacon Tony or a member of the chaplaincy team, please contact Deacon Tony on 950453. He will also arrange a priest to administer the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick if needed.

SECOND COLLECTION

Second collection today for the Sick & Retired Clergy Fund.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

The next preparation class for children celebrating their First Confession and Communion is this Saturday at 9.15am in the Guild Room.

CONFIRMATION 2020

Those wishing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation next year, i.e. Year 9 of school or older, are asked to collect an enrolment form from the sacristy. Preparation classes will begin in January 2020. Any adults who are seeking Confirmation will be seen separately.

BLESSING OF GRAVES

The blessing of graves today will be in Kempston at 2.30pm with prayers near the entrance to the cemetery followed by the blessing of individual graves.

IGNITE YOUR FAITH

An opportunity to the youth to grow in spirit through prayer, good food, fun games and amazing company. 21st & 28th Nov. 5th, 12th & 19th Dec. at Ss Philip & James Church, Severn Way. Ages: 8-11 6.15pm-7.30pm. Ages: 12-18 7.30pm-9.00pm. Stephanie: youthministerbedford@gmail.com or 07307 882977.

RED MISSION BOXES

All holders of a Red Mission Box are asked to return them to the sacristy of either church by mid-December. Please make sure that your name is on the bottom of the box and please take an empty box to start collecting for 2020. Thank you for your generous and on-going support.

LATIN MASS

A Mass of Reparation for Abortion will be held in St Joseph's Church, Bedford, this Saturday at 12noon. This is organised by the Latin Mass Society and will be a High Mass in the Tridentine Rite. Refreshments afterwards in the Guild Room.

PARISH QUIZ

Thanks to all who supported the Parish Quiz last week which raised £109 for our parish project.

CHRISTMAS DRAW

Tickets for our Christmas Draw are now available for sale from today onwards at £2.50 a book. Proceeds in aid of our parish project. **Prizes for the Draw gratefully received and can be delivered to the presbytery or church.**

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 soon.

LUX.VOX 2020

Lux is an annual residential Catholic retreat for young people of secondary school age. Each year the Lux weekends are given a theme and the theme for 2020 is Vox which is Latin for voice. In England and Wales 2020 is year for as Catholics to focus on the word of God in scripture. The year is called 'The God Who Speaks'. Lux. Vox will explore how we can engage with the beauty of God's words to interpret his plan for our lives. The weekend is Friday 31st January – Sunday 2nd February 2020. Venue: Kings Park Centre, Northampton. Cost: £105 per person. Includes accommodation, food and programme. Call 01582 720627 or email: fiona@nyomo.org. Visit: www.nyomo.org/lux

KSC QUIZ

KSC Quiz this Thursday at 8.00pm in the Meltis Club, Miller Road. Admission £3 per person which includes a buffet supper. Funds raised in aid of chosen charities.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

Offertory

St Joseph's £1279.10

Our Lady's £165.88

Thank you.