

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

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## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

12<sup>th</sup> January 2020



### Mass Times – St Joseph's, Bedford

Sunday 8.15am Albert Herbert, RIP  
9.30am People of the Parish  
11.00am Vladimir Gmajner, RIP  
6.30pm Mrs Hill, RIP

Monday *Feria*

10.45am Dan McLarnon

Tuesday *Feria*

7.30am Ian Harper

10.45am Fr John Priestley Wormoll, RIP

Wednesday *Feria*

10.45am Alan Fleming, RIP

Thursday *Feria*

10.45am Tammy Field

Friday *St Anthony*

10.45am Terezija Dernulc, RIP

Saturday *Votive Mass of Our Lady*

10.45am Ian Baker

### Mass Times – Our Lady's, Kempston

Saturday 6.00pm Arthur Hoggard, RIP

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

### NEW BISHOP

Canon David Oakley, presently Rector of Oscott College, has been appointed Bishop-elect for the Diocese of Northampton. His episcopal ordination will be 19<sup>th</sup> March in Northampton Cathedral. Canon David was a classmate of mine during our seminary training. Please keep him in prayer whilst he prepares for his new ministry among us. Bishop Peter remains with us until Canon David's ordination. We thank him for his ministry in the diocese of almost 15 years.

### LEPRA APPEAL

There will be an appeal on behalf of the charity Lepira, which seeks to combat the disease of Leprosy in different parts of the world, at all Masses next Sunday. A second collection will be taken for the work of this charity. Please see noticeboard for details.

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**The Lord will bless his people with peace.**

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

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

**CLEANING:** Daniels, Nwankwo, Okonkwo.

**FLOWERS:** Mrs Kavanagh

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

**Readers & Ministers:** Rota Week 2

**Children's Liturgy:** None next Sunday

### **SURPLUS GIFT SALE**

There will be a Surplus Gift Sale in aid of our parish project on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January after all Masses in the Guild Room and in the porch of Our Lady's church, Kempston. The Sale will be on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Jan in Our Lady's. Gifts can be handed into the presbytery and Our Lady's church.

### **CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK**

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is from 18<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> January. Various town churches are taking part including St Joseph's on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January at 12.30pm. The full list of venues is on the noticeboard.

## **CONFIRMATION CLASSES**

Confirmation Classes will begin on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January from 2.30pm to 4.00pm, meeting in the Guild Room. All candidates must attend, please. There will also be a talk to parents of candidates on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January at 7.15pm in the Guild Room (access from Church Street).

## **HEALING SERVICE**

There will be a short healing service after the 6.30pm Mass next Sunday to pray for personal healing and for those we wish to pray for.

## **PRIZES**

There are quite a number of unclaimed Christmas Draw prizes. The list of prize winners is on the noticeboard. Please claim your prize, otherwise they will end up on the surplus Gift Sale stall next Sunday!

## **CATHOLIC BASICS**

A basic introduction to the Catholic faith in four parts will be run from January to June next year. Part one starts on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Jan, 10am-3pm at the RE Centre, Westbourne Road, Luton LU4 8JD. Cost is £15 per person. To reserve a place contact [admin@nores.org.uk](mailto:admin@nores.org.uk) or complete a form obtainable from the presbytery.

## **CHRIST THE KING QUIZ NIGHT**

The parish of Christ the King, Bedford is holding a Quiz Night including a Fish & Chips Supper on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January at 7.00pm for 7.30pm in the Parish Hall, Harrowden Road. Admission £8. For tickets contact Rachel Kirkham on 314093.

## **MATURE CITIZEN'S ACTION GROUP**

There will be meeting of the group on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January for the over 50s at the Salvation Army Hall, Commercial Road at 10.15am with a talk on Banking in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. A contribution of £1.50 is asked for. Refreshments served at 9.30am. See poster for full details.

## **CURRY NIGHT**

An Indian Meal Night (not just curry) has been arranged for Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January at Indiya Restaurant, Broadway, Bedford, 7.00pm for 7.15pm, at a cost of £15 per person for two courses. £5 of this will be donated to our parish project for every diner who attends. A varied choice of menu will be available including an English menu. Please sign the list at the back of the church if you wish to attend.

## **MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE**

There will be parish pilgrimage to Medjugorje from 19<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> May 2020. Book early for a cheaper flight, usually £100 plus hold luggage. Half board accommodation is 28 euros per night if sharing and 38 euros for a single room per night. If interested, please contact Mary Frost on 304014 or 07708 264054.

## **HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE**

Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land from 12<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> October 2020. Price: £1540 per person sharing a twin/double room on a half-board basis. Single room supplement is £280. The balance due by 12<sup>th</sup> June 2020. Please see Canon Seamus.

### Pilgrimage

*"Pilgrimage is a symbol of life. It makes us think of life as walking, as a path. If a person does not walk but instead stays still, this is not useful; it accomplishes nothing."*

Pope Francis

## **REQUIESCANT IN PACE**

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Mary Orr and Kristine Mullins. May they rest in the peace of the Lord.

*'Who gives you the day will give you also the things necessary for the day.'*

St Gregory of Nyssa

## **LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS**

Offertory

St Joseph's £1244.13

Our Lady's £306.13

Thank you.