

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

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**TWENTY THIRD  
SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**  
5<sup>th</sup> September 2021



## NEWSLETTER

There will be no newsletter printed next Sunday. Please retain this copy for the Mass intentions and weekly lists for the week commencing 12<sup>th</sup> September.

## THANK YOU

Letters of thanks have been received from Mary's Meals and the Bedford Daycare Hospice after receiving £2594.40 each from our parish fundraising. Both charities are most grateful for these generous donations from our fundraising efforts and I wish to add my thanks for your support. A new parish project will be announced shortly.

## CHURCH BENCHES

We are trying to restore the church benches after so much rubbing down which has had its toll on the woodwork. We will, therefore, cease cleaning them with a sanitising agent after each Mass.

## **Mass Times – St Joseph's, Bedford**

Sunday 8.15am Paddy, Ena & Patrick Ryan, RIP  
9.30am Sister Antoneatta, RIP  
11.00am People of the Parish  
6.30pm Tom, Mary & Karen Kelly

Monday *Feria*

10.45am Evelyn Foy, RIP

Tuesday *Feria*

10.45am Gus Forrest, RIP

Wednesday *Nativity of Our Lady*

10.45am Dennis Gilbert, RIP

Thursday *Feria*

10.45am Bob & Joe Zak; Katy Szczurko, RIP

Friday *Feria*

10.45am Simon & Anne O'Toole

Saturday *Feria*

10.45am Tom, Mary & Karen Kelly

## **Mass Times – Our Lady's, Kempston**

Saturday 6.00pm John Ryan, RIP & Family

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

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: My soul, give praise to the Lord.**

**ROSARY:** Daily at 10.20am

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

**CLEANING:** Kahari, Ngoro

**FLOWERS:** Mrs Redmond

**NEXT SUNDAY: Twenty Fourth Sunday of the Year**

**Readers:** Rota Week 3

**Children's Liturgy:** None for the present

## **BEDFORD PRAYER LINE**

Do you have worries or problems that are getting you down? Bedford Prayer Line is a phone line for anyone who feels overburdened or in need of prayer and would like our local Catholic communities to pray for them. Simply call the number 07835 571333 and leave a message. A church volunteer will check the messages and our local Catholic Church communities will pray for those leaving messages and their requests.

## **OFFERTORY ENVELOPES**

The new offertory envelopes for St Joseph's parish are now available for collection at the back of the church.

## **FIRST COMMUNION 2022**

Enrolment forms for First Communion classes, beginning this autumn, are now available from the sacristy. Numbers, again, will be limited, so please do not delay in enrolling.

## **MISSION APPEAL**

Next Sunday, in St Joseph's church, there will be an Appeal by the Holy Family Sisters for their mission work here and abroad. There will be a retiring collection for this purpose. Please place your donations in the basket at the back of the church.

## **SVP-KNOCK & DROP**

Knock & Drop needs contributions more than ever. It has been a great success but demand, rather than reducing, has grown, and we urgently need donations of non-perishable food. You can leave these items in the marked box at the back of both churches. Thank you for your generosity.

## **READERS & MINISTERS**

A series of Zoom sessions is planned for Readers & Ministers of Holy Communion led by the Diocesan Liturgical Formation Team. Readers: Wednesdays 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> September & 6<sup>th</sup> October 7.30pm-8.30pm. Ministers: Wednesdays 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> November 7.30pm-8.30pm. Please register in advance to secure a place by email or phone: [admin@nores.org.uk](mailto:admin@nores.org.uk) or 01582 723312 (ext.1). Once booking is received you will be sent details of how to join the Zoom sessions.

## **PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP**

Inspired by the recent Guided Prayer Week a small number of parishioners from different parishes in Bedford intend to form a Padre Pio Prayer Group. The first meeting of the prayer group will be Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September at 3.00pm in Our Lady's parish meeting room, Kempston. Please contact Mary Frost at [mary\\_frost1211@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:mary_frost1211@yahoo.co.uk) or Claudio on 306901.

## **24<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 12<sup>th</sup> Sept 2021**

### **Mass Times: St Joseph's**

Sunday 8.15am Kitty Deasy, RIP  
9.30am Dilys Willis, RIP  
11.00am Mary Cox, RIP  
6.30pm Tom, Mary & Karen Kelly

### **Monday St John Chrysostom**

10.45am Alan Wright, RIP

### **Tuesday Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

10.45am John Podesta, RIP

### **Wednesday Our Lady of Sorrows**

10.45am Fr Boniface

### **Thursday SS Cornelius & Cyprian**

10.45am Bridie & Nick Keisters, RIP

### **Friday Feria**

10.45am Simon & Anne O'Toole

### **Saturday Votive Mass of Our Lady**

10.45am Fr Joseph Koterski, RIP

### **Our Lady's, Kempston**

Vigil Mass 6.00pm Mrs Pat Shanahan, RIP

### **Confessions: Saturday St Joseph's**

11.30am – 12.30pm

**CLEANING:** Daniels, Okonkwo

**FLOWERS:** Mrs Redmond

**NEXT SUNDAY: 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year**

**Readers:** Rota Week 4

## **REQUIESCAT IN PACE**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Mullan. May she rest in the peace of Christ.

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

**Offertory**

**St Joseph's £904.68**

**Our Lady's £298.30**

**Thank you.**