

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

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**TWENTY SIXTH
SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**
26th September 2021



FIRST COMMUNION 2022

Enrolment forms for First Communion classes to be returned today, please. Parents meeting Thursday 21st October at 7.15pm in St Joseph's church.

PARISH BBQ

As part of our fundraising efforts in support of our new parish project there is a barbecue today (Sunday) in the grounds of Our Lady's church at 2.30pm. Cost: £5 adults. £3 children.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

We hope to re-start the Children's Liturgy in St Joseph's and Our Lady's on the first Sunday of Advent, 28th November. Meanwhile, we are looking for more volunteers to help with this. If interested, please let me know as soon as you can.

HOSPITAL VISITS

Deacon Tony Quinlan has resumed his weekly visits to the hospital as Chaplain every Friday. If a visit is required, please contact him on 950453.

Mass Times – St Joseph's, Bedford

Sunday	8.15am	Ronald Madtha, RIP
	9.30am	People of the Parish
	11.00am	Liubor & Maria Marina Nikiforova
	6.30pm	Varkey Joseph, RIP
Monday	<i>St Vincent de Paul</i>	
	10.45am	Salvatore & Elizabeth Andreozzi
Tuesday	<i>Feria</i>	
	10.45am	Franc Rozman, RIP
Wednesday	<i>SS Michael, Gabriel & Raphael</i>	
	10.45am	Mary Wright, RIP
Thursday	<i>St Jerome</i>	
	10.45am	Anna Andreozzi & Gina Di Cosimo
Friday	<i>St Therese of Lisieux</i>	
	10.45am	Rees Greenman-Massey, RIP
Saturday	<i>Holy Guardian Angels</i>	
	10.45am	Simon & Anne O'Toole

Mass Times – Our Lady's, Kempston

Saturday	6.00pm	John & Catherine Coffey, RIP
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**Confessions: Saturday 11.30am – 12.30pm (Exposition)
St Joseph's:**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

ROSARY: Daily at 10.20am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Thursday 11.30am-7.00pm

CLEANING: Kahari, Ndoro

FLOWERS: Mrs Bino

NEXT SUNDAY: Twenty Seventh Sunday of the Year

Readers: Rota Week 2

Children's Liturgy: None for the present

PRO-LIFE PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

Pro-life pilgrimage to Walsingham on Saturday 23rd October. Coach will pick up at all five churches in Bedford. Details on the poster of times. Price £18.50 per person. Please contact Mary Frost on 01234 304014 or email: mary_frost1211@yahoo.co.uk if you wish to go on this pilgrimage.

FATIMA DEVOTIONS

Fatima Devotions this Saturday after the 10.45am Mass to pray for the on-going need for peace in our world and in our hearts.

MASS FOR MARRIED LIFE

Bishop David Oakley invites married couples to the Diocesan Mass for Married Life at the Cathedral, Kingsthorpe Road, Northampton NN2 6AG on Saturday 16th October, gathering from 11.30am followed by Mass at 12noon. The Bishop will give his blessing to those couples celebrating significant milestones in their marriage, e.g. 1, 10, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50 years or longer. If you are celebrating such an anniversary, please contact Eamon & Paola McMorrow on 07412 151517 or at mass.mfl@northamptondiocese.org. Also, if you do have a particular anniversary to mark, please see me for a personal invitation card. All are welcome to attend. Refreshments afterwards in the new Cathedral Centre.

NEW PARISH PROJECT

Our parish is adopting a new project divided between two charities, namely the Multiple Sclerosis Centre in Barkers Lane, Bedford and the International Refugee Trust which helps with the needs of refugees in different parts of the world principally in the Middle East, Far East and parts of Africa. Various fundraising events have been planned in aid of these charities.

READERS & MINISTERS

A series of Zoom sessions is planned for Readers & Ministers of Holy Communion led by the Diocesan Liturgical Formation Team. Readers: Wednesdays 29 September & 6 October 7.30pm-8.30pm. Ministers: Wednesdays 3, 10 & 17 November 7.30pm-8.30pm. Please register in advance to secure a place by email or phone: 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.

SVP APPEAL

The St Vincent de Paul Society will be making an appeal today at all Masses for new members who might be interested in helping with its work for poor families and individuals and also in its ministry to the lonely and isolated.

SCHOOL TALK

Next Sunday at Mass there will be a short talk about our Catholic schools in Bedford and how we can support them.

CAFOD APPEAL

Also next Sunday there will be an appeal and a retiring collection for the work of CAFOD. Envelopes for this are available in the church porch. Please take one.

HOME SHRINES

We are restarting the opportunity for anyone to have within your home a six day visit (Sunday to Saturday) from the Home Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Please fill in your details in the Home Shrine Diary against the date you would like to receive a Home Shrine visit. You will be contacted by Mike O'Hara, the Guardian responsible for the devotion in St Joseph's parish and by Mary Frost for Our Lady's parish.

WELCOMERS

We are looking to restart the Welcoming Ministry in both parishes. This involves greeting people as they come to Sunday Mass, handing them a newsletter and hymn book and assisting them with any enquiries. If interested, please let me know and which Mass you would be available to help.

MUSICIANS & SINGERS

We are also in need of more musicians and singers to assist at the Sunday 6.30pm Mass. You don't have to be professional, just a willingness to share your talent in the service of the Lord and his Church.

REQIESCANT IN PACE

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Karl Gloria and Geraldine Hills. May they rest in the peace of the Lord.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

Offertory	St Joseph's £1355.47
Home Mission Sunday	St Joseph's £422.69

Our Lady's £249.70
Our Lady's £78.45

Thank you.