

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

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**FOURTEENTH
SUNDAY OF THE
YEAR**
3rd July 2022



Mass Times – St Joseph's, Bedford

Sunday 8.15am Mary Winifred Baker; Andrew McGuire
9.30am Patricia Power, RIP
11.00am John Molloy, RIP
6.30pm Michael Kinsella, RIP

Monday *Feria*

10.45am Requiem: Maureen Breslin

Tuesday *Feria*

10.45am Franc Rozman, RIP

Wednesday *St Maria Goretti*

10.45am Evelyn Foy, RIP

Thursday *Feria*

10.45am Margaret & Mary

Friday *Feria*

10.45am C J George, RIP

Saturday *Votive Mass of Our Lady*

10.45am SVP Benefactors

Mass Times – Our Lady's, Kempston

Saturday 6.00pm Flossy D'Souza

Confessions – St Joseph's:

Saturday 11.30am – 12.30pm (Exposition)

STRAWBERRY TEA-THANK YOU

Many thanks to all who attended the Strawberry Tea last Sunday at the home of Derek and Anna Ruff, which raised £610 for our parish project. Thanks goes to Derek and Anna for opening their home and garden for this event which was blessed with fine weather and enjoyed by all. We also received donations from some who could not attend. Again, thank you for your generous support.

BRUNCH

Our next fundraising effort is a Brunch at the home of John and Gillian Moore, 17 Colchester Way, Putnoe, between 11.45am and 1.00pm on Saturday 16th July. Cost: £5 per person. To assist in catering, please add your name and phone number to the list at the back of the church if you wish to attend.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Cry out with joy to God all the earth.

ROSARY: Daily at 10.20am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: 11.30am – 7.00pm

CLEANING: Daniels, Okonkwo

FLOWERS: Mrs Redmond

NEXT SUNDAY: Fifteenth Sunday of the Year

Readers: Rota Week 2

Children's Liturgy: Molly Orme

SECOND COLLECTION

There is a second collection at all Masses today for Peter's Pence in aid of the mission of the Church in the poorer parts of the world.

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA

The annual collection for the AoS will take place next Sunday. Envelopes for this are in the porch. Please take one and fill in the Gift Aid slip if you are able.

NEW OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

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

LIFE PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

There will be a coach going from Bedford to Walsingham for the annual Life Pilgrimage on Saturday 6th August costing £10 per person. Coach leaves from Our Lady's, Kempston at 7.45am and from St Joseph's at 8.00am. Please contact Mary Frost on 07708 264054 or 304014 if you would like to travel on this pilgrimage. Also, please fill in your details on the list at the back of the church. See poster on the noticeboard for further details of the pilgrimage.

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE

There will be a parish pilgrimage to Medjugorje from 20th to 27th September 2022. Please contact Mary Frost on 07708 264054 or 304014 if interested.

LIFETEEN SUMMER CAMP

A five day Summer Camp of fun activities where young Catholics aged 12-18 gain formation and friendship is to run from Sunday 24th July from 3pm to Thursday 28th July 2022 till 2pm at Alton Castle, Staffs, costing £225 for camping (to provide own tent) or £295 for dormitory accommodation. Non-refundable deposit of £50 when booking. Final payment by 1st July. Travel is provided (a donation of £20 towards cost but not essential) and pick up points within the diocese will be advertised closer to the time. Price includes accommodation, food, daily Mass, Reconciliation, all activities including a day at Alton Towers, etc. Booking page www.nymo.org/summercamp.

ACCOMMODATION NEEDED

A 21 year old French Catholic student, Charles Lantz, is looking for accommodation for 3 months ending in September, whilst he does and internship in Kempston. If anyone can offer accommodation for this period, please let Canon Seamus know.

REQUIESCANT IN PACE

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Maureen Breslin and Maria Gaitan. May they rest in the peace of the Lord.

SPONSORED WALK

Those who sponsored our Confirmation candidates' walk last Saturday, are asked to please hand in your donation to the presbytery marked Sponsored Walk. Thanks to all who sponsored the walk in aid of our parish project.

BEDFORD FOODBANK

Items needed for the Foodbank: tinned vegetables, breakfast cereal (but not porridge), UHT milk, cup-a-soup, tinned meat in sauce (e.g. chilli, curry), long-life fruit juice, tinned spaghetti hoops, coffee (100g), teabags (40/80), jars of curry sauce, jars of pasta sauce, tinned fruit, tinned tomatoes, tinned tuna, washing up liquid, anti-bac spray. Thanks to all who have and continue to donate.

UNIVERSE CATHOLIC WEEKLY

The Universe Catholic Weekly has launched a new online newspaper replacing the paper copy. You can order your digital 4-week free trial supply by calling Michelle on 07436 617650 or email: michelle.jones@universecatholicweekly.co.uk.

REFLECTION

I have in my room a small icon of Jesus at prayer. Often in the gospels we are told that Jesus went to a lonely place to pray to his Father. In that encounter how found strength and inspiration to continue his ministry. If he who is God found the need to pray, how much more we! It is vital if our relationship with God is to remain real and alive. Amidst all our daily concerns and busyness we must find a space for this important time when we quieten our faculties and allow a little space for God, just a few moments each day to say hello and express our love and faith. It's a matter of courtesy really. Imagine ignoring a family member or friend in the same room with you! And he is there in that same space. Don't ignore him. Prayer is not complicated, it's simply a conversation with the Lord which involves speaking and listening and time for silence, like any conversation with a good friend. Jesus is that good and faithful friend who is always there for us. Prayer is being aware of this, being aware of him who is in that room with you, the room of your heart. Rest in him each day and find peace for your soul.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

Offertory

St Joseph's £1306.08

Our Lady's £205.97

Thank you