

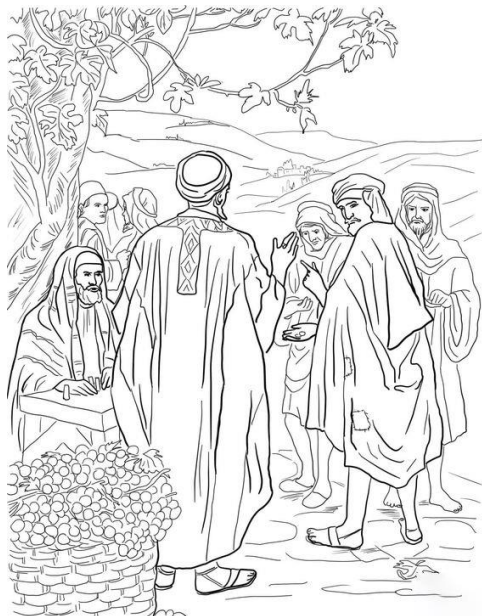
St Joseph's, Bedford & Our Lady's, Kempston

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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 24th September 2023



NEWSLETTER

There will be no newsletter printed next Sunday, so please retain this copy for your reference.

CAFOD SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection on Sunday 8th October for the work of CAFOD. Please use the envelopes available for this collection in the church porch. Please fill in the Gift Aid slip if you are a tax payer. This will help to increase the income for CAFOD. Thank you.

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE

The St Joseph Friendship Circle meets this Wednesday in the Embankment Hotel at 7.00pm. Please come along and bring a friend.

OPEN EVENING

St Thomas more Secondary School is holding an Open Evening this Thursday from 6.30pm to 8.30pm for pupils looking to join Year 7 in September 2024. Please feel welcome to join us.

Mass Times – St Joseph's, Bedford

Sunday	8.15am	Nikkie
	9.30am	People of the Parish
	11.00am	Angela & Bill
	6.30pm	Jean Barnett, RIP
Monday	Feria	
	10.45am	Mary Crompton, RIP
Tuesday	Feria	
	10.45am	Pasquale & Angela, RIP
Wednesday	St Vincent de Paul	
	10.45am	Bernadette
Thursday	Feria	
	10.45am	Frank Rozman, RIP
Friday	SS Michael, Gabriel and Raphael	
	10.45am	Mary Wright, RIP
Saturday	St Jerome	
	10.45am	Sister Jerome, RIP

Mass Times – Our Lady's, Kempston

Saturday	6.00pm	Aleyamma Scia & Varkey Joseph, RIP
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Confessions – St Joseph's:

Saturday 11.30am – 12.30pm (Exposition)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The Lord is close to all who call him.

ROSARY: Daily at 10.20am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Thursday 11.30am – 7.00pm

CLEANING: C Cummings, S Masih

FLOWERS: Mrs Price

NEXT SUNDAY: Twenty-Sixth Sunday of the Year

Readers: Rota Week 2

Children's Liturgy: Rebecca Lovesey & Mila

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024

Enrolment forms for First Communion Classes beginning in the autumn are now available from the sacristy. Child must be in year 3 or above. **Completed forms must be returned by Sunday 1st October, please.**

SVP APPEAL

There will be a short talk about the work of the Society of St Vincent de Paul, with an appeal for new members, today at all Masses.

ROSARY FOR THE SANCTITY OF LIFE

Rosary for the Sanctity of Life will be recited after the 10.45am Mass this Saturday in St Joseph's. All welcome to join in prayer.

26th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 1st October

Mass Times St Joseph's

Sunday 8.15am Sheila Rafferty

9.30am Ray Berry, RIP

11.00am Chinnamma Thomas, RIP

6.30pm David & Max McCulloch

Monday The Holy Guardian Angels

10.45am Mr Joseph, RIP

Tuesday FERIA

10.45am Celine, RIP

Wednesday St Francis of Assisi

10.45am Bob & Joe Zak; Katy Szczurko

Thursday FERIA

10.45am Maria & Teodor Bazylewicz, RIP

Friday St Bruno

10.45am Denis Gilbert, RIP

Saturday Our Lady of the Rosary

10.45am Christopher Champion, RIP

Our Lady's, Kempston

Saturday (30th Sept)

6.00pm Mary Connolly, RIP

Confessions: St Joseph's

Saturday 11.30am – 12.30pm

CLEANING: T Ngoro, S Masih

FLOWERS: Mrs Price

NEXT SUNDAY: 27th Sunday of the Year

Readers: Rota Week 3

Children's Liturgy: Jo & Raoul Bull

NEW PARISH PROJECT

We are adopting a new parish project for the year ahead. It is a local charity called Headway Bedford which assists in rebuilding lives after brain injury. There will be the usual fundraising events to raise money for this charity. Thank you for your support over the year for our present project; the MS Centre, Bedford and the International Refugee Trust. The final total for this will be available soon.

PARISH BBQ

Parish BBQ today at 2.30pm in the grounds of Our Lady's, Kempston, in aid of our parish project. £5 for adults and £3 for children. Do try to come along.

FLOWERS - OUR LADY'S

We are looking for help in arranging flowers in Our Lady's. There is only one person doing this at the moment. Additional help much needed. Please let Mary Frost know if you would be able to volunteer.

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY VOLUNTEERS

Deacon Tony Quinlan thanks all those who have expressed an interest in becoming involved with Hospital Chaplaincy visiting. All those who have volunteered will be contacted for an informal get together at Bedford South Wing on Wednesday 27th September. Once DBS vetting has been completed it is anticipated that the volunteer participation will commence from late October, early November. You can contact Deacon Tony on 950453 or deacontony.quinlan@northamptondiocese.org.

MASS FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Bishop David invites you to celebrate your marriage at a special Mass in Northampton Cathedral, Kingsthorpe Road, NN2 6AG on Saturday 30th September at 12noon. Pastoral certificates will be presented to couples celebrating significant milestones in their marriage. Please contact Samantha Canning on 07824 386804 or mfl@northamptondiocese.org if you wish to attend or have an anniversary to celebrate.

FATIMA DEVOTIONS

Fatima Devotions on Saturday 7th October, feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, after 10.45am Mass, to pray for peace in our world.

SEASON OF CREATION

This Season of Creation ends on 4th October. We are encouraged to look at the following websites:

www.seasonofcreation.org

and www.northamptondiocese.org/soc. There are small action cards at the back of the church if you would like to take one.

YEAR REUNION MASS

My Ordination Year is meeting on Wednesday 4th October, celebrating Mass together in St Joseph's at 12noon to which you are invited.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

Offertory	St Joseph's £1217.50	Our Lady's £304.00	Thank you
Evangelii Guadium Sunday	St Joseph's £281.10	Our Lady's £69.59	