

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

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## THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 29<sup>th</sup> October 2017



### ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS

We celebrate the feast of All Saints this Wednesday; our brothers and sisters who have completed their earthly pilgrimage and now enjoy the life of the blessed in the kingdom of heaven. **It is a Holy Day of Obligation.** Thursday is the feast of All Souls when we pray for our deceased loved ones and all the faithful departed. We assist them on their final journey to God with our prayers and Masses during the month of November. Mass times for both days are listed on this page.

### MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

As far as possible, the Masses in November will be offered each day for the Holy Souls. If you wish to include your deceased loved ones in these Masses, then please list their names and place the list in the envelope provided at the back of the church and return envelopes to the presbytery or the church.

### Mass Times – St Joseph's, Bedford

Sunday 8.15am Ted & Win Baker, RIP  
9.30am John Orr, RIP  
11.00am Michael Smith, RIP  
6.30pm David & Edith Guerin

Monday **Feria**  
10.45am Shevon Matheikan

Tuesday **Feria**  
7.30am Special Intention  
10.45am Rosemary Round, RIP

Wednesday **All Saints**  
7.30am Brendan Bulland, RIP  
10.45am Franciska Rozman, RIP  
7.30pm People of the Parish

Thursday **All Souls**  
10.45am Holy Souls  
7.30pm The Pope's Intentions

Friday **St Martin de Porres**  
10.45am Holy Souls

Saturday **St Charles Borromeo**  
10.45am Holy Souls

### Mass Times – Our Lady's, Kempston

Sunday 9.30am Marian Devaney  
Wednesday 7.30pm John Smith, RIP  
Thursday 6.00pm Holy Souls

**Confessions: Saturday 11.30am – 12.30pm (Exposition)**  
**St Joseph's: 5.00pm – 5.30pm**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: I love you, Lord, my strength.**

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

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

**ROSARY HOUR:** Friday 2.30pm

**CLEANING:** Mukuze, Kahari, Ndoro

**FLOWERS:** Mrs Temple

**NEXT SUNDAY: Thirty First Sunday of the Year**

**Readers & Ministers:** Rota Week 3

**Children's Liturgy:** Michael Simmonds

### SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection next Sunday for the Bishop's Maintenance Fund.

### FATIMA DEVOTIONS

Fatima Devotions this Saturday after the 10.45am Mass to pray for peace.

## **BLESSING OF GRAVES**

The blessing of graves in the month of November will be as follows: Foster Hill Road on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November, Norse Road and Kempston on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November. Each service will begin with prayers near the entrance to the cemetery at 2.30pm followed by the blessing of individual graves. If there is a request to bless any graves in Wootton Cemetery then please let Canon Seamus or Fr Roy know.

## **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

There will be no Adoration Prayer Meeting this Wednesday as it is the feast of All Saints. It will now be on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 8.00pm in the Guild Room.

## **CONFIRMATION 2018**

Those wishing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation next year i.e. Year 9 of school or older, are asked to collect an enrolment form from the sacristy and to do so as soon as possible, please. Preparation classes will begin in January 2018. Any adults who need to be Confirmed will be seen separately.

## **RIVER FESTIVAL 2018**

Are you interested in being part of a local ecumenical team to provide a Christian stall at the Bedford River Festival 14<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> July 2018? Everyone is welcome to attend a meeting about the proposed stall at SS Philip & James Church, Severn Way on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 7.30pm. All ideas and suggestions are welcome.

## **CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

The diocese of Northampton will be running a course in Religious Studies from January 2018 to March 2019 at St Joseph's & St Gregory's Primary School, Biddenham Turn, Bedford. More details and booking form from the presbytery. Visit: <http://www.nores.org.uk/AdultEducation/tabid/157/Default.aspx>.

## **REQUIESCAT IN PACE**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Cyril Jones. May he rest in the peace of the Lord.

## **CHRISTMAS DRAW**

Tickets for the Christmas Draw are now available after the Masses today at £2.50 a book. Donations of prizes gratefully received.

## **MOTHERS' PRAYERS**

Mothers who would like to know more about Mothers' Prayers Group are invited to shared prayer time after the 10.45am Mass next Monday followed by a DVD showing in the Guild Room. All mothers welcome.

## **REFORMATION & RENEWAL**

Bedford Town Centre Churches are holding a festival service commemorating 500 years of Reformation & Renewal at St Paul's Church, Bedford today at 5.30pm. All are welcome. See poster on the noticeboard.

## **ADVENT REFLECTION DAY**

Turvey Abbey, Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December 10.15am – 3.15pm. Bring packed lunch and a £10 donation on the day. Booking forms from the presbytery or tel: 01582 723312. See noticeboard for full details.

## **KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA**

The Knights of St Columba is an organisation of Catholic men that was founded almost 100 years ago and is unique in the Catholic Church. The role of the Knights is to support our parishes and communities in practical ways, to help those less fortunate and to help our young people in their journey of faith. They seek to live out the values of Charity, Unity and Fraternity. If you wish to join in this work please contact Chris Field on 07840 878455 for more information.

## **CONFERENCE FOR CATHOLIC MEN**

A day of speakers and workshops exploring what it means to be a man in the Church today, along with talks on fatherhood and brotherhood. Open to all Catholic men on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November at the Claret Centre, Buckden Towers, Buckden. Visit: [www.catholicman.uk](http://www.catholicman.uk). Contact Samuel Baker on [info@catholicman.uk](mailto:info@catholicman.uk).

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

Offertory	St Joseph's £1005.43	Our Lady's £226.48	Thank you.
World Mission Sunday	St Joseph's £547.36	Our Lady's £104.17	