

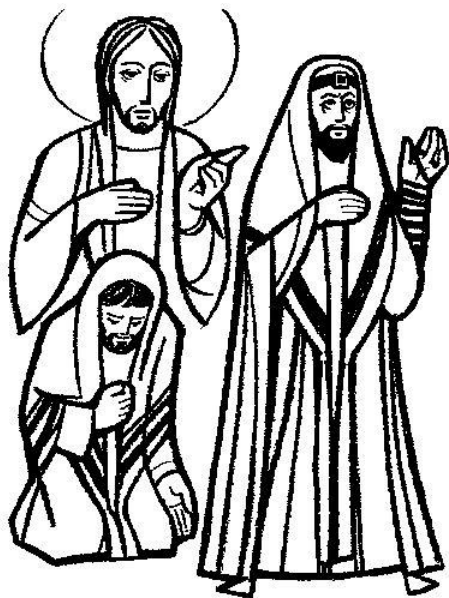
# St Joseph's, Bedford & Our Lady's, Kempston

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**THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY  
OF THE YEAR**  
5<sup>th</sup> November 2017



## Mass Times – St Joseph's, Bedford

Sunday 8.15am Holy Souls  
9.30am Holy Souls  
11.00am Holy Souls  
6.30pm Kol Qershija, RIP

Monday *Feria*  
10.45am Evelyn Foy, RIP

Tuesday *Feria*  
7.30am Holy Souls  
10.45am Bob & Joe Zak; Katy Szczurko

Wednesday *Blessed John Duns Scotus*  
7:30am Holy Souls  
10.45am Holy Souls

Thursday *Dedication of the Lateran Basilica*  
10.45am Holy Souls

Friday *Pope St Leo the Great*  
10.45am Holy Souls

Saturday *St Martin of Tours*  
10.45am Holy Souls

## Mass Times – Our Lady's, Kempston

Sunday 9.30am Bill Ganger, RIP  
Thursday 6.00pm Holy Souls

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

## FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES

The children preparing to make their First Holy Communion next year start their classes this Saturday at 9.15am in the Guild Room (access from Church Street). All must attend, please.

## BLESSING OF GRAVES

The blessing of graves in this month of November will be as follows: Foster Hill Road and Wootton today. Norse Road and Kempston on Sunday 12th November. Each service will begin with prayers near the entrance to the cemetery at 2.30pm followed by the blessing of individual graves.

## SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection today for the Bishop's Maintenance Fund. This collection aids the Bishop in his work in the service of the diocese.

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**Keep my soul in peace before you, O Lord.**

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

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

**ROSARY HOUR:** Friday 2.30pm

**CLEANING:** Allen, Neal, George

**FLOWERS:** Mrs Temple

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

**Readers & Ministers:** Rota Week 4

**Children's Liturgy:** Edward & Geraldine Byrne

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration Prayer Meeting this Wednesday at 8.00pm until 9.00pm in the Guild Room. Come and spend time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament with music, song, scripture reading, reflection and intercessory prayer. Refreshments afterwards.

## **PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES**

It is proposed to have a parish pilgrimage to Lourdes next year from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> September 2018; the 160<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the apparitions there. Flying from Stansted and costing £595 per person sharing. Single room supplement is £112 for the duration. Price includes flights and full board accommodation at the Hotel Astoria. A non-refundable deposit of £100 will be required when booking. Balance due 8 weeks before departure. If interested, please inform Canon Seamus.

## **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.

## **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.

## **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: [www.nores.org.uk](http://www.nores.org.uk) and click 'Adult Education'.

## **WEDDING**

Please pray for Jonathan Frost and Stephanie McLoughlin who are to be married this Saturday in St Joseph's.

## **CATHOLIC BEDFORD**

Visit [www.catholicbedford.wordpress.com](http://www.catholicbedford.wordpress.com) to view what is happening across the Bedford Pastoral Area.

## **MOTHERS' PRAYERS**

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

## **CHRISTMAS DRAW**

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

## **CHRISTMAS CARD SALE**

Christmas cards and other religious items will be on sale after Mass in St Joseph's and Our Lady's next Sunday. Profits to our parish project supporting Fr Boniface.

## **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.

## **LEGION OF MARY**

The Legion of Mary meets every Tuesday at 7.30pm at Christ the King Parish in the named Patrick Donegan Cabin. Anyone aged 18+ is invited. If you are unable to attend the meetings, it is possible to be enrolled as an Auxiliary. For more information, please email Chris: [cnorfolk6@gmail.com](mailto:cnorfolk6@gmail.com) or call 07962 426572. Visit [www.legionofmary.ie](http://www.legionofmary.ie).

## **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).

## **REQUIESCAT IN PACE**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Peter Willis. Peter's Funeral Mass will be on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 10.45am in St Joseph's.

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

**Offertory**

**St Joseph's £1147.21**

**Our Lady's £383.97**

**Thank you.**