

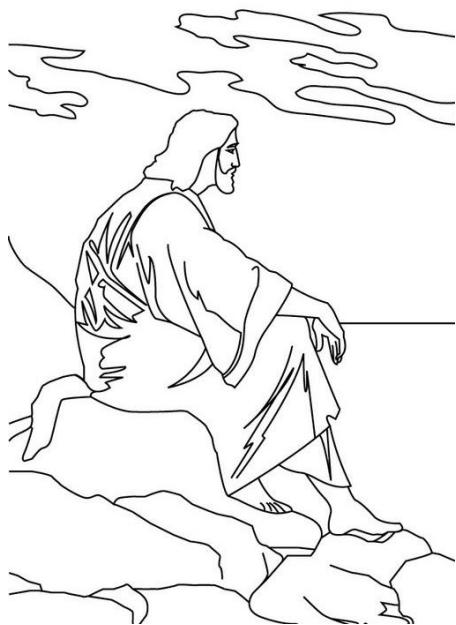
St Joseph's, Bedford & Our Lady's, Kempston

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**FIRST SUNDAY
OF LENT**
18th February 2018



FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

The next preparation class for those children making their First Holy Communion this year is this Saturday at 9.15am in the Guild Room. All must attend, please.

CAFOD APPEAL

There will be a short talk at the end of all Masses today on the work of CAFOD in preparation for the second collection to be taken next Sunday. Please take an envelope from the porch for this purpose.

GIFT AID

Please consider Gift Aid on your weekly Sunday donation as this will assist with the parish finances at no extra cost to you. We can reclaim 25p in the pound. You can give by Standing Order or through the envelope system. It is a painless way to increase our finances. Please see Canon Seamus or Fr Roy if you would like to know more.

Mass Times – St Joseph's, Bedford

Sunday	8.15am	People of the Parish
	9.30am	José Castro-Gonzalez, RIP
	11.00am	Zacharia Family, RIP
	6.30pm	Rose Evans, RIP
Monday	<i>Feria</i>	
	10.45am	Gregoria Castillo, RIP
Tuesday	<i>Feria</i>	
	7.30am	Cecil & Antonette, RIP
	10.45am	James Foy, RIP
Wednesday	<i>Feria</i>	
	7:30am	Anna King, RIP
	10.45am	Bob & Joe Zak; Katy Szczurko
Thursday	<i>Chair of St Peter</i>	
	10.45am	Maria & Teodor Bazylewicz, RIP
Friday	<i>St Polycarp</i>	
	10.45am	Requiem: Elizabeth Rodney
Saturday	<i>Feria</i>	
	10.45am	Yates Family

Mass Times – Our Lady's, Kempston

Sunday	9.30am	Sally Cottrell, RIP
Thursday	6.00pm	Bible Group Intentions

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Your ways, Lord, are faithfulness and love for those who keep your covenant.

ROSARY: Daily, 20 minutes before the 10.45am Mass

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Thursday 11.30am - 7.00pm

ROSARY HOUR: Friday 2.30pm

CLEANING: Allen, Neal, Wakaba

FLOWERS: No flowers

NEXT SUNDAY: Second Sunday of Lent

Readers & Ministers: Rota Week 3

Children's Liturgy: Michael Simmonds

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross today at 4.00pm in St Joseph's and Our Lady's. Please try to attend as part of your Lenten practice. In this prayerful devotion we meditate on the passion and death of Christ.

SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection next Sunday at all Masses for the work of CAFOD.

CURRY NIGHT

Another Curry Night has been arranged for Wednesday 14th March at the Indiya Restaurant, The Broadway, Bedford, 7.00pm for 7.15pm in aid of our parish project. The cost is £15 per person with £2 of that as a donation to our charity. A non-Indian main course also available. Please place your name and telephone number on the sheet at the back of the church if you wish to attend.

LENT TALKS

The Bedford Town Centre Churches are presenting a series of talks during Lent on the theme: Christ Though Culture. The talks are each Wednesday beginning this Wednesday from 1.10pm to 2.00pm in Bunyan Meeting, Mill Street. All are most welcome to attend. Please see poster on the noticeboard.

LENTEN SOUP LUNCHESES

Lenten Soup Lunch this Friday and every Friday during Lent in Our Lady's Meeting Room, Kempston, at 12.30pm in aid of the work of CAFOD. Please come along and support.

DIOCESAN MASS: MARRIED LIFE

Bishop Peter invites all married couples and those widowed, divorced or separated and family members to a Diocesan Mass for Married Life at the Holy Family Catholic Church, 226 Trelawney Avenue, Langley, Slough SL3 7UD on Saturday 3rd March 2018. Gathering from 11.30am followed by Mass at 12 noon. Bishop Peter will give his blessing to those couples celebrating significant milestones in their marriage. If you are celebrating such a milestone and wish to attend the Mass, please contact Eamonn & Paola McMorrow on 07412 151517 or at mfl@northamptondiocese.com

CATHOLIC BEDFORD

Visit www.catholicbedford.wordpress.com for events in the Bedford Pastoral Area.

SURPLUS GIFT SALE

The Surplus Gift Sale in aid of our parish project continues today in Our Lady's, Kempston.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Parish pilgrimage to Lourdes from 3rd to 7th September 2018, flying from Stansted, costing £595 per person sharing. Single room supplement is £112 for the duration. Price includes flights and full-board accommodation at the Astoria Hotel. A non-refundable deposit of £100 will be required when booking. Balance due 8 weeks before departure. If interested, please see Canon Seamus for a booking form.

TRUE SURVIVOR

This is the title of a weekend organised by the Diocesan Youth Ministry for young men aged 13 – 18. The cost of the weekend is £99. The group travel to Poole in Dorset. For more information, please see Canon Seamus or email: steve@nymo.org.

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje 22nd – 29th May 2018 flying from Luton. Please contact Mary Frost on 304014 if interested. Book early to benefit from a cheap flight.

DAY CONFERENCE FOR MEN

A one-day conference for men led by Fr Peter Glas will be held on Saturday 24th February from 10am to 4.00pm in St Mary Magdalene Church Hall, 105 High Street, Stony Stratford MK11 1AT. To book a place, contact Dawn Clark on 01908 564363 or email: office@diginet2.co.uk.

Please see noticeboard and pick up a leaflet at the back of the church for more details.

REQUIESCANT IN PACE

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Sally Cottrell, Ann Marie Russell and Elizabeth Rodney. May they rest in the peace of the Lord.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

Offertory

St Joseph's £1208.58

Our Lady's £175.22

Thank you.