

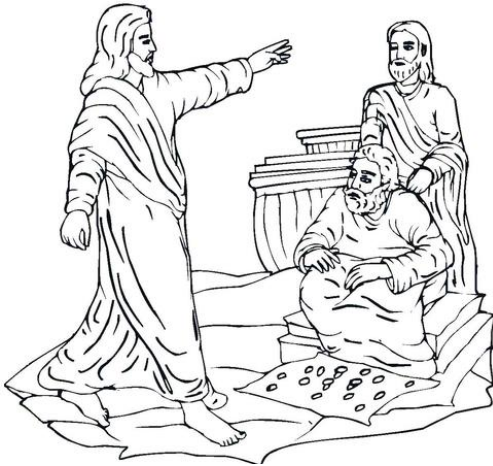
# St Joseph's, Bedford & Our Lady's, Kempston

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**THIRD SUNDAY  
OF LENT**  
4<sup>th</sup> March 2018



## **FIRST COMMUNION CLASS**

The next First Holy Communion preparation class is this Saturday at 9.15am in the Guild Room.

## **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

This Wednesday at 8pm in the Guild Room all are invited to a time of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament with scripture reading, reflection song and intercessory prayer.

## **CAFOD COLLECTION**

Many thanks to all who contributed so generously to the second collection for CAFOD last Sunday. £1119.16 from St Joseph's and £286.76 from Our Lady's.

## **EVC UGANDA PRAYER GROUP**

Supporters of this charity see prayer as a vital part of our work in providing education to some of the poorest children in the world. On the last Wednesday of every month we are warmly invited to join the prayer group held at Our Lady's, Kempston commencing at 8pm. Further details contact Mary Frost on 304014.

## **Mass Times – St Joseph's, Bedford**

|           |                                   |                                  |
|-----------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Sunday    | 8.15am                            | Margaret Herbert, RIP            |
|           | 9.30am                            | Shay Malone                      |
|           | 11.00am                           | Emily, Dave & Family             |
|           | 6.30pm                            | In Thanksgiving (Hinde Family)   |
| Monday    | <i>Feria</i>                      |                                  |
|           | 10.45am                           | Angela Valenti                   |
| Tuesday   | <i>Feria</i>                      |                                  |
|           | 7.30am                            | In Thanksgiving (Rooke)          |
|           | 10.45am                           | Evelyn Foy, RIP                  |
| Wednesday | <i>SS Perpetua &amp; Felicity</i> |                                  |
|           | 7.30am                            | Jennifer Podesta                 |
|           | 10.45am                           | Jennifer Elvis, RIP              |
| Thursday  | <i>Feria</i>                      |                                  |
|           | 10.45am                           | Dan McLarnon                     |
| Friday    | <i>Feria</i>                      |                                  |
|           | 10.45am                           | Colin Heaney, RIP                |
| Saturday  | <i>Feria</i>                      |                                  |
|           | 10.45am                           | Bob & Joe Zak; Katy Szczurk, RIP |

## **Mass Times – Our Lady's, Kempston**

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|----------|--------|-------------------|
| Sunday   | 9.30am | Mary Wright, RIP  |
| Thursday | 6.00pm | Mary Manning, RIP |

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

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**You, Lord, have the message of eternal life.**

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

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

**ROSARY HOUR:** Friday 2.30pm

**CLEANING:** Mukuze, Kahari, Ngoro

**FLOWERS:** No flowers

**NEXT SUNDAY: Fourth Sunday of Lent**

**Readers & Ministers:** Rota Week 1

**Children's Liturgy:** Raoul & Jo Bull

## **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.

## **CATHOLIC BEDFORD**

Visit [www.catholicbedford.wordpress.com](http://www.catholicbedford.wordpress.com) for events in the Bedford Pastoral Area.

## CURRY NIGHT

Another Curry Night has been arranged for Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> 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 from 1.10pm to 2.00pm in Bunyan Meeting, Mill Street. **This Wednesday it is our very own Fr Roy giving the talk!** So come along and give him your rapt attention!

## 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.

## PASSOVER SUPPER

The Jewish Passover Supper will be celebrated in its fulfilment by Jesus at the Last Supper on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 7.00pm in Christ the King Parish Hall. We are invited to experience the symbolic power and richness of the Jewish Passover and its fulfilment at the very first Easter. The evening is joyful, prayerful and will include some very interesting food.

## HEALING SERVICE

There is a short healing service after the 6.30pm Mass this evening to pray for healing and strength.

## REQUIESCANT IN PACE

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Colin Heaney, Denis Meadows and Bridget Travers. May they rest in the peace of the Lord.

## LENT AFTERNOON OF REFLECTION

At Ss Philip & James' Church, Bedford, on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March from 12noon concluding with a Vigil Mass at 4.00pm. Bring a shared lunch. Please see poster on noticeboard for full details. All are welcome.

## PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Parish pilgrimage to Lourdes from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> 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. To be held from 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> May, 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](mailto:steve@nymo.org)

## MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE

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

## KNOCK PILGRIMAGE

Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 23<sup>rd</sup> April, for 4 nights. Cost £599 per person sharing. Contact Patricia on 01268 762278 or 07740 175557 or email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com)

## TABLE TOP SALE

This Saturday at Christ the King Parish Hall, Harrowden Road from 9.00am to 12noon. Entry 50p. For more information call 965497.

## DIOCESAN MARRIAGE CELEBRATION

This event has been moved Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> April at 12noon at Holy Family Church, Langley, Slough.

### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

|                  |                      |                    |            |
|------------------|----------------------|--------------------|------------|
| Offertory        | St Joseph's £1101.99 | Our Lady's £279.66 | Thank you. |
| CAFOD collection | St Joseph's £1119.16 | Our Lady's £266.76 |            |