

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

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**FIFTH SUNDAY  
OF EASTER**  
29<sup>th</sup> April 2018



## INTERNATIONAL EVENING

Sign up for our International Social Evening held in the Italian Church Hall on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm in aid of our parish project. All the different ethnic groups in our two parishes are invited to bring some of their dishes, hot or cold for a buffet style meal. We also hope to have music from the different countries playing while we taste and share the different dishes. The entrance fee for the evening will be £5 and a list to sign up for the meal, and if you wish to bring a dish from your country of origin, is now available at the back of the church.

## INSTRUMENTAL WORKSHOP

The Royal School of Church Music is holding a workshop this Wednesday for musicians and singers in St Joseph's church from 7.30pm – 9.30pm. Free to parishioners. Full details on the noticeboard.

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

Sunday 8.15am Eileen Cusack, RIP  
9.30am Mary Shopland  
11.00am Michael Smith, RIP  
6.30pm Bill & Teresa Conway, RIP

Monday **Feria**

10.45am Patrick Summers, RIP

Tuesday **St Joseph the Worker**

7.30am Mary Lombardo  
10.45am Dennis Gilbert, RIP

Wednesday **St Athanasius**

7:30am Bob & Joe Zak; Katy Szczurko, RIP  
10.45am Lino Perla, RIP

Thursday **SS Philip & James**

10.45am Tom Kelly, RIP

Friday **Martyrs of England & Wales**

10.45am Andrew Ryan, RIP

Saturday **Feria**

10.45am John D'Arcy, RIP

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

Sunday 9.30am David Kelly, RIP  
Thursday 6.00pm Colin Conway

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

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**You, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly.**

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

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

**ROSARY HOUR:** Friday 2.30pm.

**CLEANING:** Cummings, Petts, George

**FLOWERS:** Mrs Redmond

**NEXT SUNDAY: Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**Readers & Ministers:** Rota Week 1

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

## **FATIMA DEVOTIONS**

Fatima Devotions this Saturday after the 10.45am Mass to pray for peace through the power of the Rosary and prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

## **CAKE SALE**

Many thanks to all who donated and bought cakes at the Cake Sale last Sunday which raised £210.80 for our parish project.

### **PARISH PRAYER GROUP**

The next meeting of the Parish Prayer Group will be on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May at 8.00pm in the Guild Room.

### **DVD COURSE ON OUR LADY**

The DVD course on Mary in Our Lady's, Kempston, continues each Tuesday at 7.30pm until 15<sup>th</sup> May. It is an exploration of the life of Mary filmed on location in the Holy Land, Ephesus, Walsingham and elsewhere, with input from experts and testimonies by various people. The course book provided includes discussion questions and prayer reflection guides. All welcome to come and share how Mary helps us to be filled with God.

### **VOCATIONS WEEKEND FOR WOMEN**

A Vocations Weekend for Young Women (20s and 30s) is to be held on 25<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> May in Liverpool. The weekend is organised by the Sisters of Faithful Companions of Jesus. There will be input from the sisters on different aspects of vowed life and time for prayer, reflection and discussion with others who are considering a vocation to religious life. For more information, please contact Sr Lynne at [lynnefcj@hotmail.com](mailto:lynnefcj@hotmail.com) or visit [www.fcjsisters.org](http://www.fcjsisters.org).

### **CHARITY GOLF DAY**

The SS Philip & James Charity Golf Day this year takes place on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June at Mowsbury Golf Club, Bedford in aid of Bedford Food Bank and Tibbs Dementia Foundation, Bedford. Sponsorship is needed so if you can help please contact the number below. Entry forms for playing and or attending the dinner are now available. Full details of the event is on the poster on the church noticeboard. Contact Mike Chappell on 07973 703340.

### **VOLUNTEERS FOR EVC UGANDA**

Because of the very successful development of the charity we are now seeking additional help in many areas including administration, secretarial work, fundraising and marketing. If you could spare a few hours a week or more to help do please let us know. Contact Judi Fawcett on 838134.

### **ROSARY ON THE COAST**

To pray for faith, life and peace in the British Isles today at 3.00pm. We are invited to join in praying the rosary today for this intention for our country. Visit: [www.rosaryonthecoast.co.uk](http://www.rosaryonthecoast.co.uk)

### **MAY DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY**

To be held on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May in SS Philip & James church from 9.00am to 12.00noon. All welcome. Full details on noticeboard.

### **DAY OF REFLECTION**

For Catholic women on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May 11am – 3pm in St John's, Sundon Park Rd, Luton LU3 3AL. See noticeboard for full details.

### **WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES**

Pope Francis will be visiting Dublin for the World Meeting of Families in August 22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>. The Northampton diocese Youth Ministry is inviting young adults aged 16 – 30 years to be part of this great event. If you are interested and for more information, please email: [fiona@nymo.org](mailto:fiona@nymo.org) or call 01582 720627.

### **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.

### **DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES**

This pilgrimage is organised by the Northampton Diocese from 24<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> August. Contact Deacon Michael Fleming on 01604 647750 or [mvf@btinternet.com](mailto:mvf@btinternet.com) if you wish to go. See poster on noticeboard for details.

### **REQUIESCANT IN PACE**

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Susan Byrne, Lino Perla and Peter Bennett.

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

Offertory	St Joseph's £1093.90	Our Lady's £287.69	Thank you.
Priests' Training Fund	St Joseph's £548.30	Our Lady's £100.47	