

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

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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 13th May 2018



PENTECOST SERVICE

We are invited to an Ecumenical Service for Pentecost next Sunday in Our Lady's Church, Kempston at 4.00pm. It will take the form of Evening Prayer with scripture reflection, readings, psalms and singing. All are welcome to join in this time of prayer in honour of the Holy Spirit with our fellow Christians.

THANK YOU

Thanks to all who supported the Social Evening last Friday and to all who donated delicious and abundant food from the different countries represented. A total of £145 was raised for our parish project. Thanks, too, to those who provided the entertainment. Hopefully we will have an even larger representation next time.

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham on Saturday 9th June. Coach tickets available from Mary Frost on 304014 or 07708 264054. Please book asap.

Mass Times – St Joseph's, Bedford

Sunday	8.15am	John Canavan, RIP
	9.30am	Peter Willis, RIP
	11.00am	Helen Hourigan
	6.30pm	People of the Parish
Monday	<i>St Matthias</i>	
	10.45am	Johnny Cotter, RIP
Tuesday	<i>Feria</i>	
	7.30am	John Guest
	10.45am	Raju Thomas
Wednesday	<i>Feria</i>	
	7:30am	Holy Souls
	10.45am	Betty Fenley, RIP
Thursday	<i>Feria</i>	
	10.45am	In Thanksgiving: Teresa Rooney
Friday	<i>Feria</i>	
	10.45am	Daniel Guerin, RIP
Saturday	<i>Feria</i>	
	10.45am	Michael, Nora, Peggie Macken, RIP

Mass Times – Our Lady's, Kempston

Sunday	9.30am	William King
Thursday	6.00pm	John O'Connor, RIP

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The Lord has set his sway in heaven.

ROSARY: Daily, 20 minutes before the 10.45am Mass

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Thursday 11.30am - 7.00pm

ROSARY HOUR: Friday 2.30pm.

CLEANING: Allen, Wakaba.

FLOWERS: Mrs Temple

NEXT SUNDAY: Pentecost Sunday

Readers & Ministers: Rota Week 3

Children's Liturgy: Michael Simmonds

SECOND COLLECTION

There is a second collection at all the Masses today for the Mass Media of Communication enabling the message of the gospel to be made known through the media and informed news of a Catholic nature, working on behalf of the Communications Office of the Bishop's Conference. There is a prayer card in the porch that you are invited to take with you. Visit: www.catholicnews.org.uk.

PRO-LIFE MASS

A Mass for the work of the pro-life movement will be celebrated in St Joseph's on Saturday 26th May at 2.00pm. Principal Celebrant, Fr Jeremy Davies. Mass will be followed by refreshments in the Guild Room. Please see poster for full details. All are welcome.

SHARE THE JOURNEY

This is the name given to a campaign for refugees and migrants launched by Pope Francis and sponsored in this country by CAFOD. There will be a short talk about this initiative at the end of all Masses next Sunday.

VOCATIONS WEEKEND FOR WOMEN

A Vocations Weekend for Young Women (20s and 30s) is to be held on 25th - 27th 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, contact Sr Lynne at lynnefcj@hotmail.com or visit www.fcjsisters.org.

CHARITY GOLF DAY

The SS Philip & James Charity Golf Day this year takes place on Friday 1st 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.

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.

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

There is a reflection morning for Ministers of Holy Communion on Saturday 16th June at the RE Centre, Luton from 10.30am – 1.00pm. Also three other dates for Ministers at the RE Centre on 23rd May, 6th June and 13th June at 7.30pm. If you are interested or wish to know more please pick up an information leaflet and booking form from the presbytery.

CHURCH CLEANERS

More volunteers are needed in St Joseph's to help clean the church on a rota basis. Please let Canon Seamus know if you would like to help.

MAY DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY

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

PATHWAYS OF PRAYER

For Bishop Peter's Year of Prayer and Vocation, a brand new online prayer course has been set up. To register on the course, go to: www.formationpathways.co.uk.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

Pope Francis will be visiting Dublin for the World Meeting of Families on August 22nd – 26th. 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 or call 01582 720627.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

This pilgrimage is organised by the Northampton Diocese from 24th to 31st August. Contact Deacon Michael Fleming on 01604 647750 or 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 Lino Perla, Elsie Conroy and Peter Bennett. May they rest in the peace of the risen Lord.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

Offertory

St Joseph's £943.24

Our Lady's £593.12

Thank you.