

TEXTS FOR MASS

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,
we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

We bow at the name of Jesus (in bold)

Lord **Jesus** Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy
on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer,
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High **Jesus** Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First reading

(Isaiah 62:1-5)

About Zion I will not be silent, about Jerusalem I will not grow
weary, until her integrity shines out like the dawn and her
salvation flames like a torch. The nations then will see your
integrity, all the kings your glory, and you will be called by a new
name, one which the mouth of the Lord will confer. You are to be
a crown of splendour in the hand of the Lord, a princely diadem in
the hand of your God; no longer are you to be named 'Forsaken',
nor your land 'Abandoned', but you shall be called 'My Delight'
and your land 'The Wedded'; for the Lord takes delight in you and
your land will have its wedding. Like a young man marrying a
virgin, so will the one who built you wed you, and as the
bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will your God rejoice in you.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 95

Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples.

O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
O sing to the Lord, bless his name. R.

Proclaim his help day by day,
tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the peoples. R.

Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
give the Lord glory and power;
give the Lord the glory of his name. R.

Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'
He will judge the peoples in fairness. R.

Second reading

(1 Corinthians 12:4-11)

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are
all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord;
working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the
same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in
which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. One
may have the gift of preaching with wisdom given him by the
Spirit; another may have the gift of preaching instruction given
him by the same Spirit; and another the gift of faith given by the
same Spirit; another again the gift of healing, through this one
Spirit; one, the power of miracles; another, prophecy; another the
gift of recognising spirits; another the gift of tongues and another
the ability to interpret them. All these are the work of one and the
same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just
as he chooses.

Gospel

(John 2:1-11)

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee. The mother of Jesus
was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited. When
they ran out of wine, since the wine provided for the wedding was
all finished, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.'
Jesus said 'Woman, why turn to me? My hour has not come yet.'
His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' There
were six stone water jars standing there, meant for the ablutions
that are customary among the Jews: each could hold twenty or
thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water',
and they filled them to the brim. 'Draw some out now' he told
them 'and take it to the steward.' They did this; the steward tasted
the water, and it had turned into wine. Having no idea where it
came from – only the servants who had drawn the water knew –
the steward called the bridegroom and said, 'People generally
serve the best wine first, and keep the cheaper sort till the guests
have had plenty to drink; but you have kept the best wine till now.'

This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at
Cana in Galilee. He let his glory be seen, and his disciples believed
in him.

Homily – A time for listening.

Profession of Faith

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

At the words that follow, up to 'and became man', all bow.

**and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers after Mass

Saint Joseph, man of silence, you who in the Gospel did not
utter a single word, teach us to fast from vain words, to rediscover
the value of words that edify, encourage, console and support.
Be close to those who suffer from words that hurt,
like slander and backbiting and help us always to match words
with deeds. Amen. *(by Pope Francis)*

Hail Mary and Parish Litany

NEWSLETTER

Catholic Parish of St John Henry Newman

- HIGH WYCOMBE - Roman Catholic Diocese of Northampton

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16th January 2022

Second Sunday of the Year – Year C

Peace Sunday

5:00pm (Sat) (OLG) Vigil Mass

9:00am (SW) Holy Mass

11:30am (OLG) Holy Mass

During the Week

Mon (OLG) *Memoria – St Anthony, Abbott*

9.00am Adoration & Confession

10.00am Holy Mass

Tue (SW) *Feria - Octave of Christian Unity*

10.00am Holy Mass

Thu (SW) *Feria*

6.00pm Adoration & Confession

7.00pm Holy Mass

Fri (OLG) *Memoria – St Agnes, Martyr*

10.00am Holy Mass

The month of January is dedicated to the MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS

The Holy Father's intention: **For true human fraternity** - We pray
for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution;
may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from
being brothers and sisters in the human family.

FROM THE CATECHISM THE FOURTH COMMANDMENT

Honour your father and your mother. (Ex 20:12)

V. The Authorities In Civil Society

The duties of citizens

2241 The more prosperous nations are obliged, to the extent they
are able, to welcome the foreigner in search of the security and the
means of livelihood which he cannot find in his country of origin.
Public authorities should see to it that the natural right is respected

that places a guest under the protection of those who receive him.

Political authorities, for the sake of the common good for which
they are responsible, may make the exercise of the right to
immigrate subject to various juridical conditions, especially with
regard to the immigrants' duties toward their country of adoption.
Immigrants are obliged to respect with gratitude the material and
spiritual heritage of the country that receives them, to obey its laws
and to assist in carrying civic burdens.

2242 The citizen is obliged in conscience not to follow the
directives of civil authorities when they are contrary to the
demands of the moral order, to the fundamental rights of persons
or the teachings of the Gospel. Refusing obedience to civil
authorities, when their demands are contrary to those of an upright
conscience, finds its justification in the distinction between serving
God and serving the political community. "Render therefore to
Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are
God's." (Mt 22:21) "We must obey God rather than men" (At 5:29)

When citizens are under the oppression of a public authority
which oversteps its competence, they should still not refuse to give
or to do what is objectively demanded of them by the common
good; but it is legitimate for them to defend their own rights and
those of their fellow citizens against the abuse of this authority
within the limits of the natural law and the Law of the Gospel.
2243 Armed resistance to oppression by political authority is not
legitimate, unless all the following conditions are met: 1) there is
certain, grave, and prolonged violation of fundamental rights; 2)
all other means of redress have been exhausted; 3) such resistance
will not provoke worse disorders; 4) there is well-founded hope of
success; and 5) it is impossible reasonably to foresee any better
solution.

The political community and the Church

2244 Every institution is inspired, at least implicitly, by a vision of
man and his destiny, from which it derives the point of reference
for its judgment, its hierarchy of values, its line of conduct. Most
societies have formed their institutions in the recognition of a
certain pre-eminence of man over things. Only the divinely
revealed religion has clearly recognized man's origin and destiny
in God, the Creator and Redeemer. the Church invites political
authorities to measure their judgments and decisions against this
inspired truth about God and man:

Societies not recognizing this vision or rejecting it in the name
of their independence from God are brought to seek their criteria
and goal in themselves or to borrow them from some ideology.
Since they do not admit that one can defend an objective criterion
of good and evil, they arrogate to themselves an explicit or implicit
totalitarian power over man and his destiny, as history shows.

2245 The Church, because of her commission and competence, is
not to be confused in any way with the political community. She is
both the sign and the safeguard of the transcendent character of the
human person. "The Church respects and encourages the political
freedom and responsibility of the citizen." (Vatican II, *Gaudium et
Spes*, 76 # 3)

2246 It is a part of the Church's mission "to pass moral judgments
even in matters related to politics, whenever the fundamental

rights of man or the salvation of souls requires it. the means, the only means, she may use are those which are in accord with the Gospel and the welfare of all men according to the diversity of times and circumstances." (Vatican II, *Gaudium et Spes*, 76 # 5)

FACE COVERINGS ARE MANDATORY

It is a legal requirement to wear face coverings in places of worship unless an individual has a legal exemption from doing so.



THE SYNOD OF BISHOPS 2021-2023 THE SYNODAL PATH

"The synodal path is one that is guided by the **Gospel** and grounded in **Tradition** and requires the equal participation of all those in the **People of God** who participate in the mission of the Church to together, *listen* and *discern* the work of the Spirit within the world." (Vademecum nos. 1.2, 5.3)

THE SYNOD PROCESS IN OUR PARISH

Pope Francis has asked that all baptised Catholics join in the Synod process – praying and discerning how we should move forward together to be the Church which God wants us to be. He has asked for Catholics across the world to share their views as input to the Synod of Bishops which will be held in Rome in Oct 2023.

We have been asked to consider the following questions:

1. **What does it mean to you to be Catholic?**
2. **What are your experiences of the Church doing something well?**
3. **What are your experiences of when things have not gone so well?**
4. **What are our dreams for the Church?**

The first phase of diocesan offices getting the feedback from individual parishes is in progress during January and we are offering our parishioners a variety of methods of giving their input confidentially:

- A) **Face-to face** group conversations have been arranged after the **5pm Mass on 8th Jan**, after the **9am Mass on 9th Jan** and after the **11.30 Mass on 16th Jan**. (We have a few spaces at the meeting on 8th Jan; to join, please speak to **Kathy Russell** or **Mike O'Donohue** straight after this Mass).
- B) We are also offering **group conversations** from 7.30pm – 9pm on **Zoom** on all weekday evenings during January. To book a meeting, please email stjhn.synod@outlook.com giving some dates when you are free.
- C) You can also **write** your answers to the questions on a piece of paper and put it in one of the boxes at church or post it to The Synod Team c/o the Parish Office. You don't need to put your name or contact details on it unless you would like to speak to someone to follow it up.
- D) You can **email** your answers to stjhn.synod@outlook.com
- E) You can **call** the Parish Office to arrange for one of the Synod Team of "Listeners" to call you. (Consider opening times)
- F) Fr Benedetto is happy for people to contact him directly for a **one-to-one conversation**.
- G) Send your thoughts directly to the diocese using the Online Submission on the portal <https://northamptondiocese.org/for-a-synodal-church/>

If you know a Catholic who does not attend Mass, please pass this information on to them so that they also have the opportunity to participate. To donate simply call 01604 712065 with your debit or

PARISH

NEW PARISH EMAIL ADDRESS

THE DIOCESAN OFFICES have setup the following email address for the parish to use for all parish / diocese communications. To ensure that we comply with best practice and data regulations, no personal email addresses are to be used in future for parish or diocese communications.

parish.stjhn@northamptondiocese.org

This will be the only email in use from now on. The old email addresses will remain live for 3 months

CONFESSIONS

Mondays (Our Lady's) **9.00am – 9.30am** during Adoration
Thursdays (St Wulstan's) **6.00pm – 6.30pm** during Adoration
For Confession at any other time, please contact the Priest.

Bible Alive and 200 Club

Bridie Munday will be in St Wulstan's narthex most Sundays in January after Mass to collect subscriptions and register any newcomers who wish to purchase Bible Alive or join the 200 club.

Guidance for Parishioners attending Mass

Available on our website or church noticeboard.

ATTENTION - DISTANCING IN CHURCH

Please continue to observe distancing inside the church. Socialise only outside the building. Do NOT congregate in the Narthex. This also shows respect for those who want to stay behind for private prayer.

Congratulations

Congratulations to **Jacob I. Papp** as he was Baptised last Saturday. We keep Jacob and his family in our prayers as he starts, with the precious help of his parents and godparents, the amazing journey of faith.

Catechesis for Adults

(Please note alteration to date)

Would you like to learn more about the Catholic Faith? Do you think you need 'to wipe off' the dust from what you already know?

COME ALONG! All are welcome!

Together we will 'draw water' from the ever-flowing wells of **Holy Scripture** and learn from the millennial wisdom of the **Church's Teachings** handed down from the Apostles to our times.

NEXT MEETING MON 24th JAN 6:30pm

Lectio Divina

Join us to Read, Pray, Reflect and Listen to God's Word. The perfect way to prepare for Sunday Mass. Everyone Welcome, Thursday's 11.00am – 1.00pm Contact mrs_s_priestley@hotmail.com

Repositories at our churches

The Repositories located in the narthexes at both our churches will be open after Masses on Saturday night and Sunday morning respectively for you to purchase cards, 2022 calendars & diaries & religious items.

Companions in Christ

Tuesday evenings on Zoom. 7.30pm "doors" open, 7.45pm start, 9pm finish. Do join us for an informal get-together to keep in touch, read the Bible, share our faith, listen to God and pray together. An opportunity for the Catholics of the area to come together every week

if they want to – although there is no obligation to attend every week and you can just drop in on a Tuesday evening if you feel like it. Please email Catri Plummer c.plummer@ntlworld.com for the Zoom details if you would like to attend.

Anniversaries of death:

Christine Green, May Stenning, John Collins, Laura Reid, John McGuckin, Maggie Hogan, Dennis Burns, Jan Smieszek, Lucia Ellul, Mary Geraghty, John Thompson, Jan Dolezal, John Fallon, June Youens. *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen*

Live streaming from the Cathedral

Those who happen to isolate for various reasons will be able to connect with our Cathedral in Northampton and join the live stream on: <https://northamptondiocese.org/live/>

DIOCESE

NYMO - LUX pilgrimage

It is with great regret that today that we have had to make the very difficult decision to cancel LUX.Pilgrimage. It was not an easy decision but one we feel is the most sensible at this current time taking everything into consideration.

Fiona Murphy NYMO Administrator & Events Coordinator

The God who Speaks – Liturgy of the Word

A Series of online Zoom Sessions exploring the upcoming Lectionary Readings and Seasons of the Liturgical Year. Led by the Liturgical Formation Team with presentations by Liz Clark, Fr Allan Jones CRIC, Mgr Kevin McGinnell & Fr Andrew Behrens. Each session will include input, prayer and the opportunity to make comments and ask questions. See the poster in the narthex for details. Dates include:

Tuesday 18 January 2022, (7.30-8.30pm) An Introduction to Luke
Wednesday 23 February 2022, (7.30-8.30pm) Preparing for Lent
Wednesday 6 April 2022, (7.30-8.30pm) Preparing for the Triduum
Wednesday 20 April 2022, (7.30-8.30pm) Celebrating Eastertide

There is no charge but there will be the opportunity to make a donation. Please register in advance by email admin@nores.org.uk or phone 01582 723312 (ext. 1) to secure a place.

OTHER

Rosary Group

You are invited to a beautiful evening of litany, readings and Rosary, with music to praise and worship the Lord, on **Wednesday 26th January 2022**, at **St. Augustine's, Amersham Hill at 7.30pm**. Everyone is welcome. Bring your family and friends. If you haven't been before, why not make this a New Year's Resolution, to draw near to the Blessed Mother and receive her blessings?

Right to Life UK

Right To Life UK has had a challenging and busy year, with the abortion lobby attempting to further exploit the COVID-19 crisis at every step to seek changes to abortion legislation and policy. Thanks to your prayers and support, we have been able to put up a strong fight every time they have attempted to advance their campaign in Parliament, the media and amongst the wider public. Alongside this, we have been able to secure a number of key victories and achievements. I wanted to share some of these with you and thank you for your support. Click on the link below to view these achievements: <https://mailchi.mp/righttolife/rtl-overview-2021> In light of these successes, we'd like to further encourage your support, whether it be through fundraising for us or donating to us, signing up to

our mailing list, following our social media channels, or continuing to Your support really makes all the difference, and we thank you for it. For more information, please visit our website at www.righttolife.org.uk

CAFOD

New Year's Resolution – Volunteer for CAFOD

A vital aspect of church is people being willing to share their talents, experience and energy. Could your New Year's resolution be volunteering for CAFOD? We have lots of different ways you can get involved such as:

- In the parish - where you will be highlighting CAFOD's work to support communities globally who are living with injustices and in poverty.
- In local schools – where you'll deliver assemblies and workshops about CAFOD's work. No experience necessary. Full support, resources and regular training provided.
- Coordinating volunteers to help us support, encourage and bring together a small group of volunteers.

If you'd like to know more, please contact **Deborah Purfield** on **07786 114 390** | dpurfield@cafod.org.uk

Wycombe Homeless Connection Winter Appeal

We need your help to make sure that our extra-special emergency accommodation and support and help is provided during the coldest, most dangerous months of the year so people do not have to sleep on the street and that they can be helped to find a home of their own. Any gift will make a difference. Please give generously. Thank you. www.wyhoc.org.uk/winter-appeal

TRACK & TRACE – NHS

Please note that it is highly encouraged to adhere to the 'Track and Trace' strategy, where details need to be provided each time you come to church either by including your **name and contact number** in the book provided or by clicking on the **NHS app QR code**. This is so we know who is at each Mass and you can be contacted if someone attending that Mass is later found to be infected with Covid.

Spiritual Communion Prayer - My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As You are already there, I embrace You & unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

VITAEOPUS - REDUNDANCY COACHING

<http://www.vitaeopus.co.uk> provides free online information and advice about Job Hunting, Self Employment & Active Retirement for Parishioners adversely affected workwise by the pandemic.

Last Week's COLLECTION

First Collection including standing orders **£1,072.08**

DONATIONS

You can **Gift Aid** all your donations by phone and online. Otherwise, for a Gift Aid form just ask the office to hand you one or download and print it from the Donate page on our website and hand it in at the office.

ONLINE DONATION on the Diocesan Website:

<https://northamptondiocese.org/donate/>

Scroll down to find the 'Donate' button and follow the instructions on the Catholic Diocese of Northampton *InvestMyCommunity* for one-off or monthly donations. Please ensure the parish name and area, e.g. *SJHN, High Wycombe*, that the donation is intended for is indicated in the notes section of the donate page. Please include your full name too.

STANDING ORDER via donor's own bank: You can also set up a standing order for donations to the parish using either your online bank account or in branch. The information required to make the donation is as follows.

Bank: NatWest Sort Code: 60-06-11 Account Number: 46898093

Account Name: Northampton Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust

Payment Ref: SJHN, High Wycombe

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