

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.

Prayer to St Michael

Holy Michael, the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle.

Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do Thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust down to hell Satan and all the wicked spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls.

Last Week's COLLECTIONS

1st Collection - £ 1,108.13

DONATIONS

You can Gift Aid all your donations 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.

Anniversaries of death:

Bessie Doris Sheedy, Christopher Harold Mayer, Charles Francis Garner, Katie Jane Sturt, Michael John Moynihan, Thomas Joseph Brennan, Edward C Uwaezuole, Theresa Hawkins, Lester George Williams, Erika Lucia Popov.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

COVID

Please remember that there are still a number of people who are still concerned about possible infection because of their own vulnerability. While it is true that most people with Covid are not now gravely ill, for some others it is still a matter of concern.

Please, if someone has placed the signs asking you to keep seats next to them free, take heed of these signs and do not occupy those seats. This is a simple matter of showing our care for our fellow-parishioners. It is a simple matter, too, to make use of the hand sanitiser. And especially if you are sitting near someone who clearly regards themselves or their family as more vulnerable, do consider wearing a face-mask. We want people to feel safe as well as to be safe. We do not want them to think they are unable to come to church. Thank you.

NEWSLETTER

Catholic Parish of St John Henry Newman

- HIGH WYCOMBE - Roman Catholic Diocese of Northampton

OLG: Our Lady of Grace, 29 Squirrel Lane, HP12 4RY SW: St Wulstan's, Hollis Road, HP13 7UN

PLEASE TAKE THIS NEWSLETTER HOME FOR REFERENCE



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14th August 2022

Assumption of the BVM

5:00pm (Sat 13th) (OLG) Vigil Mass

9:00am (Sun 14th) (SW) Holy Mass

Assumption of the BVM (Pro Populo)

11:30am (Sun 14th) (OLG) Holy Mass

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DURING THE WEEK

Mon 15th (StAug) 9.30am Holy Mass
(Paddy Grealis R.I.P.)

Tue 16th (SW) 10.00am Holy Mass
St Stephen of Hungary

Wed 17th (StAug) 9.30am Holy Mass
(Chris Rake – Intention)

Thu 18th (OLG) 7.00pm Holy Mass

Fri 19th (StAug) 9.30pm
St John Eudes
(Isobel Hanbury – Intention)

Sat 20th (StAug) 09.30am
St Bernard, Abbot & Doctor – memoria
(Helen Joyce R.I.P.)

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 10.15-11.00 (St Augustine) Saturday 11.30-12.00 (St Wulstan) Thursday 6.30-7.00pm (Our Lady of Grace) Or, by arrangement, at any reasonable time by phone, or email to the Parish Priest

BAPTISMS by arrangement

Sunday 1.00pm Our Lady of Grace

Sunday 1.30pm St Augustine

Sunday 1.30pm St Wulstan

Assumption of the BVM

Entrance Antiphon:

(Saturday) Glorious things are spoken of you, O Mary, who today were exalted above the choirs of Angels into eternal triumph with Christ.

(Sunday) Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of the Virgin Mary, at whose Assumption the angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

Psalm Response:

(Saturday) Go up, Lord, to the place of Your rest, You and the ark of Your strength.

(Sunday) On your right stands the queen, in garments of gold.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

(Saturday) Happy are those who hear the word of God and keep it.

(Sunday) Mary has been taken up into heaven; all the choirs of angels are rejoicing.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Eucharistic Acclamation (Mystery of Faith)

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim Your Death, O Lord, until You come again.

PARISH

Tuesday Coffee at St Wulstan's

The next Tuesday Coffee Morning will be held on the **13th September**. Please do join us.

Tea and Coffee after Masses at both churches

Please note that tea and coffee will now be available every Sunday after Mass at St Wulstan's and Our Lady of Grace.

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.

Lectio Divina

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

Companions in Christ

Companions in Christ are taking a summer break until **Tuesday 13th September 2022.**

First Holy Communion 2023

Application forms for places on this programme, to begin in the Autumn, are available in the narthex. Children preparing for First Holy Communion will normally be those beginning Year 3 in September, or older. Details of meetings will be sent out by email. The closing date for application is **11th September.**

Application forms for Confirmation in 2023 will be made available later in the year.

Weekday Masses

Some less mobile parishioners have expressed the difficulty of attending weekday Mass at St Augustine's due to parking. If you are to any extent disabled and need to park near the church entrance if you ring the day before we should be able to mark of a space in the car-park.

StJHN Youth Events/Club

We are trying to establish if there is enough interest in forming a St John Henry Newman Youth Events / Club in our parish. We have not specified any age limits as initially we would just like to ascertain (a) the level of interest (b) the average age range. If you would like to pre-register your interest either as a youth member or a helper / leader, please email the parish office on parish.stjhn@northamptondiocese.org We will keep this notice in the newsletter for the next few months.

St Wulstan's – Flowers

We will leave a basket in the narthex marked "Flowers". This is not a special or weekly collection or donation but rather just a basket to hold any spare change you may have so that we can build up a fund for purchasing flowers.

DIOCESE

Live streaming from the Cathedral

Those unable to be present at Mass in our Parishes will be able to connect with our Cathedral in Northampton and join the live stream on: <https://northamptondiocese.org/live/>

NYMO – Youth Ministry Conference Saturday 8th October at Northampton Cathedral 10.30am – 4.00pm Cost £10

This year the theme of the conference is **Called to Love**. We will be exploring the Church's teaching on Sexuality and Identity and how we can be better prepared to accompany our young people though the confusion, as they seek to find their identity in Christ. The conference is for youth ministers, catechists, chaplains, teachers, priests, deacons, volunteers and all who work with young people in the Church. For more information and a booking form go to the website www.nymo.org/conference or see the narthex poster.

Director of Mission

We are currently recruiting for a Director of Mission to develop and manage the vision, strategic direction and day to day operations of Mission Northampton. The role will be for 32 hours per week and working pattern is to be negotiated. Full information for the position and an application form can be found by visiting <https://northamptondiocese.org/jobs/> or via email hadmin@northamptondiocese.com The closing date for applications will be **Wednesday 24th August 2022. Interviews will held w/c 29th August 2022.**

OTHER

The SVP (Society of St Vincent de Paul) Wednesday Friendship Group

Held at St. Augustine's, in the Upper Room after 9.30 Mass, till about 12.30pm. All most welcome to come and chat and make friends – if you know anyone who would like to join in, please spread the word

The Knights of St Columba

The Knights of St. Columba is active in the parishes, and often available to the priests as needed. As Catholic men, we exist to support the mission of the Catholic Church and at the same time to work for the spiritual, intellectual and material welfare of our members and their families. One of the ways we help both church and charities, is to run a 100 Club, where for £1 a month, everyone gets a chance to win half the takings every four months, with the other half available for worthy causes. If you wish to join, or just ask about it, there will be forms at the back of the churches, and contact with **Paul Hogwood**, our Treasurer, on **07740812414**, pjhogwood@btinternet.com

Right To Life UK

14th August - "Today is the feast of St Maximilian Kolbe, patron saint of the pro-life movement. We ask for his intercession as we the church seek to support all pregnant mothers through their pregnancies, and that we would become models of support and charity to all in society. Lord hear us".

Rosary Group

You are invited to a beautiful evening of litany, readings and Rosary, with music to praise and worship the Lord, on

Wednesday 31st August, at St. Augustine's, Amersham Hill, High Wycombe HP13 6NZ, at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome. Bring your family and friends.

Divine Adoration

You are invited to another beautiful evening of Eucharistic Adoration, including praise and worship and prayer ministry, at **St. Augustine's, Amersham Hill, High Wycombe HP13 6NZ, on Saturday 10th September, at 7pm.** A date for your diary. Everyone is welcome. Please invite your friends and family.

G.K. Chesterton Society

To commemorate the 100 year anniversary of the conversion of G.K. Chesterton to the Catholic Faith on the 30th July 2022, the G.K. Chesterton Society have produced **GK's Meekly. Vol 1, No. 1.** There are a couple of copies at the back of both our churches if you would like to read the document.

AUGUST BAZAAR

On Bank Holiday Monday, 29th August, our Bazaar will be able to go ahead outdoors at **St Augustine's between 2pm and 6pm.** This is not just a St Augustine's event, but a High Wycombe event – any proceeds to be divided between the two parishes.

It would still be good to have more volunteers to man the stalls and help with refreshments so if you are able to help that way please do sign up on the list in the porch. We shall soon be inviting people to bring contributions that we can sell from the various stalls and we would ask people to try and bring things in on the weeks they are requested.

In the week beginning **24 July** we shall be asking for any contributions to the **Book Stall**

Week beginning 31 July – Music & Video

Week beginning 7 August – Toys and Games

Week beginning 14 August – Clothes (clean and in good condition, please)

Week beginning 21 August – Bottles and Bric-a-Brac

Weekend of 27/28 August – Cakes and Plants (Cakes [or other foodstuffs] must be accompanied with a full list of ingredients)

We would be very grateful if you could drop any donations off at the presbytery of St Augustine's. If not, then please leave donations in the narthex of both our churches

RAFFLE TICKETS

RAFFLE TICKETS: are available on the table in the narthex, £5 per book of five. Please sell as many as you can to your family and friends. Money and counterfoils to be returned as soon as possible please. There will be a box left at the back of each church for counterfoils and money. Alternatively, please hand to Fr Jonathan or Fr Daniel after Mass or return to the parish office at St Wulstan's.

Ecumenical Scripture Study Group

I am a parishioner of Our Lady of Grace and previously of St Augustine's. I am a member of a longstanding house group, originally established through the Churches Together in

Wycombe initiative. We would welcome additional participants from the Catholic community of High Wycombe. We meet monthly between **7.30 - 9.00pm** usually on a **Wed or Thurs**. If this might be of interest to you, please contact me for further details at : mikegriffin1812@gmail.com or call me on **01494 523976**

St Bernadette Relic Tour 2022 September 1st – November 1st

The relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage from Lourdes to England, Scotland and Wales for the very first time. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes. The relics will be at Northampton Cathedral from **Monday 10th October from 3.00pm to Thursday 13th October until 9.00am.** For more information visit: www.stbernadette.org.uk or see the poster in the narthex. To register attendance, please visit the following webpage: www.stbernadette.org.uk/the-tour/

Retrouvaille

A Programme for Couples Struggling in their Marriages Help Your Marriage – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille is a programme to support couples who have difficulties in their marriage. It brings a positive focus, new hope and helps nourish and grow your marriage. Tens of thousands of couples headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending and using the tools provided. The programme helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. It helps them through difficult times whether they are disillusioned or in deep misery. There is no group therapy or group work. For confidential information about 'Retrouvaille' or to register for the next programme commencing with a **Virtual weekend on 13 - 16 October 2022 or a Face to Face weekend in Welwyn Garden City on 24 - 26 February 2023, call or text 07887 296983 or 07973 380443 or email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com - or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk.** See also the poster in the narthex

Wycombe Homeless Connection need cake!

The Beaconsfield Country Fayre is a wonderful community event held on Bank Holiday **Monday 29th August.** Wycombe Homeless Connection are running a fundraising and awareness-raising stand and we need donations of lots of **cakes and bakes, preserves, sweets, treats, traybakes and allotment produce.**

This is a simple, generous way you can help people who are homeless in our community. Anything you make, bake or grow we will willingly take – we will be arranging drop off points and collections of donations.

Get in touch: Please let us know if you are able to donate by emailing communications@wwns.org.uk or call **01494 447699** and we'll be back in touch with details. Thank You.