

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 COLLECTION

1st Collection £1,266.01

CAFOD £25.00

200 Club

The winner this month is No. 97 congratulations to MS.

MASS INTENTIONS

If you require a Mass to be offered for an intention on a particular date it is well, if possible, to book it at least a couple of months beforehand, as recently the number of bookings has increased substantially.

What is a Mass Intention? At each Mass the Priest will pray for the Intention being offered. It may be for someone who has died, for someone who has an exam or is starting a new job. Any situation at all where we wish to ask God to support someone with His strength or His love. Normally people make a donation along with the Intention, the original purpose of this was to ensure that the priest would be able to eat that day! Although this is no longer needed, the offering is generally made where people can afford it. If you cannot afford a donation this should not put you off wanting a Mass to be offered for any particular intention.

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.

LEGACIES

Future Legacies. Consider not just our own future but the future of our Parishes. One way of making that future real is by considering a Legacy. Many people do not really consider this because they don't have very much to leave but as has truly been said: Every Little Helps Please take one of the cards sent out by the Diocese and think about what you might do.

Anniversaries of death

Reginald Rolfe, Tina Buntyn, Violet Fitzpatrick, John O'Sullivan, Anne-Marie Ball, Brian Youens, Brian Gaskin, Marie-Therese O'Connor, Katherine Charles, Margaret Bartyla
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

Good Friday Walk

Holmer Green Village Prayer Walk – this is a short walk starting at the Baptist Church at 9.00am then passing Christ Church down towards the shops. After passing the shops turning into Orchard Way following round to join Earl Howe Rd returning to the Baptist Church via duck pond. Along the way there will be stops to share 8 readings and prayers from a provided booklet..

Hot cross buns and coffee will be served at 10.00am. Everyone is welcome to join in and there will be a **Good Friday Service at 10.30am.** For more information contact Mary on 07870 423073
Poster on Notice Board.

Knock Pilgrimage

to Dublin, The South East of Ireland and Knock from 4th June for 6 days. The price of £949 includes 6 nights with full board plus all entertainment and excursions including Glendalough, National Stud, Carlow Cathedral and of course Knock. Single supplement extra. For more information contact Patricia on 01628 762278 or 07740 175557. **Poster on Notice Board.**

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

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19th March 2023

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Sat 18th Mar (OLG)	5.00pm	Vigil Mass
	<i>(Pro Populo)</i>	
Sun 19th Mar (SW)	9.00am	Holy Mass
	<i>(Rose Alichukwu well being)</i>	
Sun 19th Mar (OLG)	11.00am	Holy Mass
	<i>(Souls in Purgatory)</i>	

DURING THE WEEK

Mon 20th Mar (St Aug)	9.30am	Holy Mass
	<i>(Bishop David – Ordination anniversary)</i>	
Tues 21st Mar (St W)	10.00am	Holy Mass
	<i>(Margaret for strength in suffering)</i>	
Wed 22nd Mar (St Aug)	9.30am	Holy Mass
	<i>(Victor Ilofuan – Int)</i>	
Thu 23rd Mar (OLG)	7.00pm	Holy Mass
Fri 24th Mar (St Aug)	9.30pm	Holy Mass
	<i>(Paula McGovern RIP)</i>	
Sat 25th Mar (St Aug)	9.30am	Holy Mass
	<i>(Mary Bull birthday)</i>	

WEEK COMMENCING 19th MARCH

Sat 25th Mar (OLG)	5.00pm	Vigil Mass
	<i>(Monica Pratley intention)</i>	
Sun 26th Mar (St W)	9.00am	Holy Mass
	<i>(Antonio Cirillo & Vincenza Milazzo)</i>	
Sun 26th Mar (OLG)	11.00am	Holy Mass

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

19th March 2023

Entrance Antiphon:

Rejoice Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

Psalms Response:

The Lord is my Shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Gospel Acclamation:

I am the Light of the world, says the Lord; anyone who follows Me will have the light of life.

Eucharistic Acclamation (Mystery of Faith)

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection You have set us free.

Next Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent

PARISH

EXPOSITION

On the first Tuesday of each month there will be a period of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, ending with Benediction, following the morning Mass at St Wulstan's.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

During Lent we shall have Stations of the Cross each Thursday at Our Lady of Grace Church at 6.30 and each Tuesday at St Wulstan's following the morning Mass. This devotion would be an excellent part of our Lenten Penance if we are able to participate. There will also be Stations of the Cross on Saturdays at 5.00pm at St Augustine's.

PALM SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Please note that the Palm Sunday morning Mass at OLG will be at **11.30**. This is because the Masses will take longer on that day and it may not be possible to get from St Wulstan's to OLG for 11.00.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Tuesday 28th Mar. 7.00pm Penitential Service at St Augustine's

PALM SUNDAY 1st Apr 5.00pm Vigil Mass at Our Lady of Grace

PALM SUNDAY 2nd April

9.00am Mass at St Wulstan's & St Augustine's

11.30am Mass at Our Lady of Grace & at St Augustine's

6.00pm Mass at St Augustine's

Monday of Holy Week 3rd April

9.15am Morning Prayer at St Augustine's

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Tuesday of Holy Week 4th April

9.15am Morning Prayer at St Augustine's

9.30am Mass at St Augustine's

10.00am Mass at St Wulstan's

10.30am Confessions at St Wulstan's

6.00pm Confessions at St Augustine's

Wednesday of Holy Week 5th April

9.15am Morning Prayer at St Augustine's

9.30am Mass at St Augustine's

6.00pm Confessions at St Augustine's (*Last opportunity before Easter*)

MAUNDY THURSDAY 6th April

11.00am Chrism Mass in the Cathedral at Northampton

7.30pm **Mass of the Lord's Supper, followed by watching at the Altar of Repose ending with Compline at Midnight. This will be at Our Lady of Grace and at St Augustine's**

GOOD FRIDAY 7th April

3.00pm **Commemoration of the Lord's Passion at Our Lady of Grace and at St Augustine's**

7.00pm "Tenebrae Service" at St Wulstan's

HOLY SATURDAY

8.15pm **Easter Vigil at Our Lady of Grace & St Augustine's**

EASTER SUNDAY 9th April

9.00am Mass at St Wulstan's & at St Augustine's

11.00am Mass at Our Lady of Grace & at St Augustine's

Next Year the Sacred Triduum is to be celebrated at St Wulstan's. It seems better not to split the celebrations between the two churches, for the three days are really one single celebration – and it is easier to remember where the services are!

ALTAR SERVERS

While at St Wulstan's we have a great team of Altar Servers, at Our Lady's you will have noticed that we are very much lacking here.

Altar Servers have a very important part to play in the Liturgy. Through assisting the priest they help the whole celebration of the Liturgy to run smoothly, and also give it an added dignity.

We would ask for any children who have made their First Communion, or any adults who may have been altar servers long ago, to come forward. All necessary training will be provided. If you think this is a ministry in which you might serve, or even just want to find out more about it, please let me know

LENT – Walk with Me booklets

The "Walk with Me" booklets are now available at the back of our churches. They contain a daily journey of prayer through Lent and include text from both Cardinal Nichols and Bishop David. They now only cost 50p each. We also have a Calendar of Lent 2023 for the children, these are free of charge. Please encourage your children to take one.

SVP Tuesday Morning Coffee at St Wulstan's

The next Tuesday Coffee Morning will be held on the 11th April. 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.

Health and Safety – Volunteers

Do you have any health and safety or Risk Management knowledge? Would you be prepared to take on or share some of the increasing health and safety and facilities maintenance burden at both our churches. If so please make yourself known to Fr Jonathan after Mass or call or email the Parish Office.

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. *There are now Easter cards, St Patrick Day cards and Mothers' Day cards available.*

Lectio Divina Thursdays at 11.00am

Sessions are over Zoom (joining from 10:45 to start at 11:00) and will last a maximum of 1 hour 30 minutes. For further details on how to join, please contact: **Marian Dunsire** marian_dunsire@outlook.com, **Anne Freier** freier1961@gmail.com, or **Kathy Russell** karussell43@aol.com

Companions in Christ

We meet on a **Tuesday evening from 7.30 – 9.00pm on Zoom**. If you would like to discuss aspects of your faith in a relaxed, informal way then why not come along and join us. Please email Catri c.plummer@ntlworld.com for more details and the Zoom link.

Children's Liturgy Our Lady of Grace

11:00am Sunday Mass

The next children's liturgy sessions will be on the 19th of March. All children aged 4 to 8 are very welcome.

We now have two new helpers, which is great! But we still need more volunteers to provide a liturgy every Sunday. **Could YOU be a leader or helper just once a month?** Contact Claire via the parish office for more information or just come and observe a session.

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

Diocese of Northampton – Directory 2023

These are now available in the narthexes of both our churches for you to purchase. The cost is **£3 EACH**

Pastoral Ministry Office Administrator

2-year fixed term contract. 10 hours per week

Start date: To be confirmed.

Full information for the position and an application form can be found by visiting

<https://northamptondiocese.org/job/pastoral-ministry-office-administrator/>

All candidates should complete an application form and email it to hr.admin@northamptondiocese.org

OTHER

Rosary Evening in March

You are invited to join in a beautiful, peaceful evening of rosary, litany, reading and music on **Wednesday 29th March at 7.30pm**, at **St Augustine's, Amersham Hill, High Wycombe HP13 6NZ**. Come and find peace away from the busyness of life. Bring your family and friends. Everyone is welcome.

LADIES – A Date for your Diary

"Jesus and Me" a women's retreat day to be held at **St. Augustine's on Saturday, 3rd June**. Theme: "A Spiritual Spa." A day for women of all ages to relax and be refreshed in the waters of God's love. Further information and booking details to follow.

Easter Eggs

THE EASTER EGGS HAVE ARRIVED, PLEASE SEE GILL DUVAL TO COLLECT THEM.

THE SVP (SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL) WEDNESDAY FRIENDSHIP GROUP.



At: St. Augustine's Church, in the Upper Room after 9.30am Mass, till about 12.30pm

Big Lent Walk

ONE OF OUR ST WULSTANS PARISHIONERS IS CURRENTLY UNDERSTAKING THE BIG LENT WALK. PLEASE BE GENERIOUS AND SPONSOR HER. THERE IS A SPONSORSHIP FORM (IN THE RED CLIP BOARD) IN ST WULSTAN'S NARTHEX. THANK YOU

RISE THEATRE

St Josephs is delighted to welcome the return of [RISE Theatre](#), a professional Christian theatre company, who will be performing their original play *Faithful Companions* in the Parish Hall (SL9 8RY) on **Tuesday 28 March** at 7.30 pm. Tickets are £10 for adults and £5 for children under 18. Tickets may be [booked online](#) or bought from the Parish Office which is open on Mondays from 9am to 12 noon and Fridays from 10am until 12 noon. The performance lasts approximately 75 minutes and is suitable for adults and children 11+. *Faithful Companions* is a true story of the life of Marie Madeleine d'Houët, foundress of the Faithful Companions of Jesus (www.fcjsisters.org). It is a story of faith, love, loss, discernment, vocation, social justice and missionary zeal. Come and experience this exciting new play for yourself, performed with energy and passion by the RISE Theatre team. [Click here to watch the trailer.](#)

Lighthouse 2023 Christian Holiday Club for all Primary School Aged Children

At Cressex School and Highfield Academy on **Monday 23rd July to Friday 28th July**.

Also at Hazlemere, Loudwater, Marlow and other venues please check dates on the website

<https://lighthousecentral.org>

Registration for helpers has started – please volunteer to help on the website. Choose a Lighthouse near you. The more helpers we get, the more children we can accept for this fun week learning about Jesus.