

### + 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.

### + Prayer to the Holy Spirit:

V. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful.

R/ And kindle in them the fire of Your love.

V. Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created.

R/ And You will renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray. O God, Who, by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in His holy consolation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

### Last Week's COLLECTION

1<sup>st</sup> Collection: £1,359.79

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: £ 80.00 CAFOD

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.



### STCAT Summer Internships

Have any of your family members or friends, who are currently studying for a degree, expressed an interest in teaching in either a primary or secondary setting? Our local STCAT family of schools is delighted to be offering the opportunity to undergraduates interested in teaching for a 3-week, school-based Internship placement between June 24th and July 12th 2024. For more information and application details, please go to our webpage - STCAT Summer Internships 2024

### Youth Ministry Leader – Lake District

Castlerigg Manor (Diocese of Lancaster Retreat Centre) are looking for a Programme Leader to join their youth ministry team. The work involves working on retreats in the heart of the Lake District, and occasionally working on outreach visits around the area. The post is residential and comes with a salary package in the range of £26-28k, made up of paid salary, accommodation, food etc. Would suit somebody with youth ministry experience perhaps recently graduated. Interested – [jack@castleriggmanor.co.uk](mailto:jack@castleriggmanor.co.uk)

### Anniversaries of death

Cecil Valentine Ryan, Ethel Stanford, David K Dudley, Tricia Johnson, Roderick Birney, Hitolay Drofiak, Derrick Claude Robert Dance, Reginald Frank Rolfe, Tina Buntyn, Violet Fitzpatrick, John O'Sullivan, Anne Marie Ball, Brian Roger Youens, Brian Philip Gaskin.

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

### WHC - Brighton Marathon – Free Spaces!

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2024. We have free places in the world famous Brighton Marathon which is on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2024. If you'd like to know more, please contact Lynne Cole at [communications@wyhoc.org.uk](mailto:communications@wyhoc.org.uk) or call 01494 410849 and please let anyone you think might be interested know. See also the poster in the narthex.

### Love Pray Walk

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024

Holy Week and Easter 2024

Oxford to Walsingham

See poster in the narthex to find out more with QR code or email: [studentcross.oxfordleg@gmail.com](mailto:studentcross.oxfordleg@gmail.com)



**A Programme for Couples Struggling in their Marriages**

There is no group therapy or group work. There is a Face to Face weekend in Welwyn Garden City on 14-16 June 2024. Call or text 07887 296983 or 07973 380443, ema - or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk) See also the poster in the narthex. Complete confidentiality assured.

### IGNATIAN SPAIN 7-13 APRIL 2024:

Our pilgrimage travelling by coach from Bilbao to Barcelona would welcome more participants: contact [joanna.hale@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:joanna.hale@northamptondiocese.org) for details.

# 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**



Parish Office: Tel: 01494 472526

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### 17th March 2024

### Fifth Sunday of Lent - Year B

Sat 16 <sup>th</sup> Mar	(OLG)	5.00pm	Vigil Mass
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> Mar	(SW)	9.00am	Holy Mass
(Rose Alichukwu – Birthday)			
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> Mar	(OLG)	11.00am	Holy Mass

### DURING THE WEEK

Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> Mar	(St Aug)	9.30am	Holy Mass
(Holy Souls)			
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> Mar	SW	10.00am	Holy Mass
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> Mar	(St Aug)	9.30am	Holy Mass
(Roman Kedzior R.I.P.)			
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> Mar	(St Aug)	9.30am	Holy Mass
(Reynaldo Dangcal R.I.P.)			
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> Mar	(OLG)	7.00pm	Holy Mass
(Susan Brady)			
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	(SW)	10.00am	Holy Mass
(Kevin O'Grady R.I.P.)			
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	(St Aug)	9.30am	Holy Mass
(Mark Sarl & Family)			

### 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

### 17th March 2024

#### Entrance Antiphon:

Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for You, O God, are my strength.

#### Psalm Response:

A pure heart create for me, O God.

#### Gospel Acclamation:

If a man serves Me, says the Lord, he must follow Me; wherever I am, My servant will be there too.

#### Eucharistic Acclamation (Mystery of Faith)

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

### Next Sunday:

### PALM SUNDAY

## PARISH

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Through Lent we may follow Christ on His journey to Calvary in all our churches.

THURSDAY 6.30pm Our Lady of Grace

FRIDAY c. 10.30am St Wulstans

7.30pm Our Lady of Grace (Syro-Malabar)

SATURDAY 5.00pm St Augustine

### BISHOP DAVID - CELEBRATION

BISHOP DAVID hopes that some of us will be able to join Him to celebrate the anniversary of his Ordination as Bishop on Wednesday 19th March at 11.00am in the Cathedral at Northampton.



## GIFT AID ENVELOPES

Bridie will be handing out the Gift Aid Envelopes at both our churches this Sunday. Please collect yours.

## We Dare to Say...

The resource mentioned in Bishop David's recent letter arrived too late to make it the basis for a Lenten course, but we do plan on holding a series of meetings in the weeks following Easter where we can use it to deepen our knowledge and understanding of the Lord's Prayer – that basic prayer of all Christians taught to us by Jesus Himself.

## HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Mass on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 9.30am (StAug)

Mass on Tuesday at 10.00am (SW)

**Passover Meal** (StAug) Monday 25th March 7.00pm (Booking required)

**Penance Service** (St Aug) Tuesday 26 March 7.00pm  
**MAUNDY THURSDAY**

Mass of the Chrism at Northampton Cathedral 11.00am

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.30 (StAug & SW; Polish Mass (OLG))

(These Masses will be followed by a period of watching in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

At St Augustine's the Watching will continue to Midnight, ending with Compline)

## GOOD FRIDAY

Morning Prayer at 9.30 (StAug)

Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion at 3.00pm (StAug & SW); 7.30pm (OLG[Polish])

## HOLY SATURDAY

Morning Prayer at 9.30 (StAug)

Easter Vigil at 7.30pm (St Aug & SW); Polish Mass (OLG))

**EASTER SUNDAY**- Normal Times, except no evening Mass at St Aug)

## SVP Tuesday Morning Coffee at St Wulstan's

The next Tuesday Coffee Morning will be held on the 9<sup>th</sup> APRIL. Please do join us.



## SECOND COLLECTIONS

At a time when money is tight for many people, and when many charities are also appealing for money, it is easy for people to feel overwhelmed by the number of collections in the church. Accordingly, there is now a list of the year's retiring collections posted in the porch. This will allow you to plan ahead and decide which ones you are able to support.

## 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](mailto:marian_dunsire@outlook.com), **Anne Freier** [freier1961@gmail.com](mailto:freier1961@gmail.com), or **Kathy Russell** [karussell43@aol.com](mailto: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](mailto:c.plummer@ntlworld.com) for more details and the Zoom link

## Children's Liturgy (OLG) 11:00am Sunday

**Good news!** We have enough volunteers to have a children's liturgy session for **every Sunday from 24th March up to the end of April**. More volunteers would still be very welcome to help once a month. Contact Claire via the parish office for more information or just come and observe a session. All children aged 4 to 8 are very welcome.

## Repositories at our churches

The Repositories located in the narthexes at both our churches will be open after Masses on Sat. night and Sun. morning.

## Knights of St Columba (KSC) Posters

The Knights of St Columba have again provided Easter Posters, for placing in your window or other prominent places. They will be available at the back of the churches from this Sunday – do pick up a poster

## MASS INTENTIONS

In future, please direct all Mass intentions to **St Augustine's**. The no. for St Augustine's is : **01494523969** or email your request to: [frjonathan.hill@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:frjonathan.hill@northamptondiocese.org)

## NORTHAMPTON DIOCESAN DIRECTORY 2024

The Northampton Diocesan Directory for 2024 containing the Ordo is now available at the back of our churches. Price £3

## OUR LADY OF GRACE – GAMES DAY

Why not pop along to our Games Day on the **1st Wednesday of every month, 1pm at Our Lady of Grace**. Age range: **18 to 80 plus**. Come along for a chat and make new friends. Contribution of £2 for attendance will provide refreshments. Look forward to seeing some friendly faces!

## WALK WITH ME LENTEN BOOKLETS & CHILDREN'S LENT CALENDARS

In preparation for Lent, the Walk with Me booklets (price £1) can be found in the narthex of both our churches. We also have the children's Calendar for Lent posters. These are not priced but any loose change donation will be gratefully received.

## DIOCESE

### DIOCESAN DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

To keep up to date with fortnightly news and opportunities from across our diocese by signing up to receive updates. Visit <https://northamptondiocese.org/#signup>

#### (1) Pope's Prayer Intention for March

For the new martyrs. We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm. You can watch the video here

[https://youtu.be/ov49RPt2ii8?si=xvGOX\\_3pkEayZdhg](https://youtu.be/ov49RPt2ii8?si=xvGOX_3pkEayZdhg)

#### (2) Year of Prayer 2024 – Prayer Resources

Prayer resources for Lent and the Year of Prayer have been updated: <https://northamptondiocese.org/prayer-resources/>

#### (3) Bishop David's Lenten Gospel Reflections

Bishop David has produced a Gospel reflection for the fifth Sunday of Lent. As always, a hard copy of the letter is available in the narthex. A video of Bishop David's reflection can be viewed here:

<https://youtu.be/kD-VtUQFAio?si=hBjTiAzBAE41nbYy>

#### (4) Mission Northampton

The Secrets of St Paul is a 10-week online course beginning on Wednesday 10th January and finishing on Wednesday 20th March. For more information visit:

[www.northamptondiocese.org/courses](http://www.northamptondiocese.org/courses) or call **01604 434362**

#### (5) Life in the Spirit

Beginning on **Tuesday 16th April and running for 6 weeks** including a retreat day on 18th May, Life In The Spirit Seminars are designed for anyone looking to know more about life in the Spirit of God. The seminars are free to attend and can be joined at Northampton Cathedral or one of the 'hub' venues in Milton Keynes, Luton, Slough, Bedford, Corby or Aylesbury. For more information visit <https://northamptondiocese.org/life-in-the-spirit-seminars-2024/>

#### (6) Mass for the Sick and Housebound

Mgr Kevin McGinnell will celebrate Mass for the sick and housebound at Northampton Cathedral on **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April at 11.00am**.

#### (7) Diocesan Pilgrimages

For your information, posters for the up and coming Diocesan Pilgrimages are now in the narthex. Bookings open **18<sup>th</sup> March**.

- **Northern France** (Lieux, Chartres & Paris)

- **15.10.2024 – 22.10.2024**



- **Rome & Assisi** (2025 Jubilee Year)

- **27.03.2025 – 03.04.2025**



## OTHER

### RIGHT TO LIFE

Please support an amendment to reduce our abortion law from 24 weeks to 22 weeks. Babies born prematurely at 22 weeks are thriving and there is a contradiction in our abortion

law. Collect a postcard today from the back of the church and post it to your MP in support of this amendment.

## Through Lent with Pope Francis

There's a great online retreat at

<https://www.onlineprayer.net/lent-2024/> with a quotation from Pope Francis, scripture, a picture, music and reflection for each day and a printed booklet available too. Contact Joanna [joanna.hale@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:joanna.hale@northamptondiocese.org) if you'd like to reserve a copy of the booklet or would like the link for prayer together on weekday mornings, **7.40am for 7.45 to 8.15**.



## The SVP (SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL) Wednesday

**Friendship Group meets at: St. Augustine's Church, in the Upper Room after 9.30am Mass, until 12.30pm**



## West Wycombe Chamber Choir Spring Concert

Please give this your support - **West Wycombe Chamber Choir Spring Concert, Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2024 at 7 p.m at St Lawrence Church on the Hill, West Wycombe HP14 3AH In aid of Dementia Carers' Respite**, a helping hand for family carers, a local Bucks charity. An evening of your favourite classical music with a touch of Italy! **Tickets - Adults £10 and Concessions £8, if purchased in advance, £1 discount per ticket. Please contact 07795 - 680253 or see Michèle and Barry at OLG 11 a.m. Mass.**

## Catholic Association Pilgrimage to Lourdes

**Incorporating Northampton & other Dioceses**

Will take place from the **23<sup>rd</sup> to the 30<sup>th</sup> August**. For more information or to register your interest email: [contact@catholicassociation.co.uk](mailto:contact@catholicassociation.co.uk) or see small poster in the narthex.

## THE BECKETT FESTIVAL

Will take place over the weekend **6-7th July 2024 at Northampton Cathedral**. On **Saturday 6th Mass will begin a daily program at 11.00am**. It is hoped that each pastoral area will consider transport to enable parishioners to attend on this day. A program for the weekend will be available in the next few weeks.

## St Hilda's, Whitby – Oasis of Silence

Lead a programme of contemplative prayer days and retreats based at the Priory in Whitby, North Yorkshire. The retreats are based on the Gries Path of Prayer developed by the Jesuit Priest Fr. Franz Jalics. The programme is ecumenical and open to Christians from all denominations. Please see the poster in the narthex for more details of retreats & courses.

## AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

Aid to the Church in Need are seeking new volunteers. Please see the poster in the narthex for more details.

