



# High Wycombe Catholic Parishes

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year [A]

8<sup>th</sup> February 2026



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[www.stjhnparish.org](http://www.stjhnparish.org)

🌐 [www.facebook.com/StAugustinesHW](https://www.facebook.com/StAugustinesHW)

Morning Prayer 9.15am before 9.30 weekday Mass

## MASS INTENTIONS & TIMES

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February –  
5.00pm (OLG) – Vigil Mass – People of the Parish

## Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> February – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year [A]

9am (StAug) – Kenneth Donaghey RIP  
9am (SW) – Danny O'Brien (Int)  
11am (StAug) – Mgr Paul Donovan RIP  
11am (OLG) – Anna Benigno RIP  
6.00pm (StAug) – Vasil Vorokhib RIP

## Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February –

9.30am (StAug) – Thanksgiving

## Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February – *St Scholastica, Virgin*

9.30am (StAug) –  
10.00am (SW) –

## Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February – *Our Lady of Lourdes*

9.30am (StAug) – Freda & Bish (Int)

## Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February –

11.00am (StAug) – REQUIEM: Cesarina Parmegiani  
7.00pm (OLG) – Lily Phelan RIP

## Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February –

9.30am (StAug) –  
10.00am (SW) – Donald Adonis RIP

## Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> February –

9.30am (StAug) – Foundation - Flynn  
5.00pm (OLG) – Vigil Mass – Archbishop Richard Moth

## Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> February – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year [A]

9am (StAug) – George O'Kane RIP  
9am (SW) – David John Bean RIP  
11am (StAug) – .Roger Akram RIP  
11am (OLG) – Eileen Barrett RIP  
6.00pm (StAug) – People of the Parish

**Sunday Mass Readings:** Isaiah 58:6-10; Psalm 112:4-9; 1Cor.2:1-5; Matthew 5:13-16

## ***Psalm response:***

A light rises in the darkness for the upright.

## ***Gospel Acclamation***

I Am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows Me will have eternal life.

## **EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATION:**

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

## **Communion Antiphon:**

Let them thank the Lord for His mercy, His wonders for the children of men for He satisfies the thirsty soul and the hungry He fills with good things..

## **CONFESSIONS:**

St Augustine's      Saturday 10.15-11.00am  
St Wulstan's      Saturday 11.30-12.00am

**Our Lady of Grace Thursday 6.30-7.00pm**

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** The Children's Liturgy for those children who have not yet made their First Communion at the 11.00 Mass at St Augustine's and the Sunday morning Masses at the other churches..

**TEA AND COFFEE after the 11.00 Mass at St Augustine's in the UPPER ROOM.**

**ALSO** after Sunday morning Mass at St Wulstan's and Our Lady's.

**ALSO** after Thursday Mass at St Augustine's and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at St Wulstan's.

**EXPOSITION & ADORATION:**

**St Augustine's: Saturday after Mass until 11am.**

**St Wulstan's: First Tuesday of the month after Mass until 11am**

**Our Lady of Grace: 6.30-7.00pm Thursdays**

**ROSARY ON MONDAYS & FRIDAYS:**

After 9.30 Mass at St Augustine's.

**ONLINE ROSARY**

All welcome. Thursday evenings 8 – 8.30pm via Zoom. For joining details, contact Deacon Brin on 07931 607249



**LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION**

**St Augustine: £1038.44**

**+Standing Orders of £696**

**St John Henry Newman: £1224.50**

**White Flower Day Appeal £404.62 (StAug), £362.91 (JHN)**

**PRAYER GROUP at St Augustine's:**

9<sup>th</sup> February – Upper Room 7.30pm

16<sup>th</sup> February – Zoom – 8pm

23<sup>rd</sup> February – Zoom – 8pm

2<sup>nd</sup> March – Zoom – 8pm

For Zoom details please contact Deacon Brin.

16<sup>th</sup> March will be the Prayer Group's Lenten Evening, to which all are invited.



**SICK & HOME VISITS:** If you know of anyone who is ill or housebound please get them to call Fr Jonathan, so we can arrange for a visit and to receive Holy Communion if they wish.

**LECTIODIVINA** Please join us via Zoom for our Thursday morning sessions as we reflect on the

Word of God for the forthcoming Sunday. Thursdays at 11.00am-12.30pm latest. You can join the meetings from 10.45. All ages welcome. For details of how to join, please contact **Anne Freier** [freier1961@gmail.com](mailto:freier1961@gmail.com) or **Kathy Russell** [karussell143@aol.com](mailto:karussell143@aol.com)

**CHURCH CLEANING ROTA (St Augustine's)**

Feb. 4 Pauline & Tony

Feb.11 Winston & Prem

Feb.21 Valentina & Kennedy

Feb.25 Liz & Maria

**OUR LADY OF GRACE - GAMES DAY**

Do come along on the **1st Wednesday** of the month whatever your age (18-80+!) for a time of chat, games and refreshment from **1.00pm** onwards. A contribution of £2 is requested to cover the cost of refreshments.

**JULIAN MEETINGS** for a time of Spiritual Reading and Contemplative Prayer, followed by refreshments and chat!. Our next meeting will be on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February at the usual time of 4.00pm. All welcome.

**EMMAUS: Opening the Scriptures** This very popular series of talks continues on 4<sup>th</sup> March, when Dr Maria Heath will speak on 'Spiritual Warfare – The Battle You Can't See But Must Fight' (Ephesians 6:10-18). To register contact [www.stjosephs.org.uk/Emmaus](http://www.stjosephs.org.uk/Emmaus)

You can also watch online at [you.tube.com/@Emmaussouthbucks](http://you.tube.com/@Emmaussouthbucks)

**YOUTH CLUB** meeting at St Wulstan's on Saturday afternoons.. If interested in either joining or volunteering contact **Leticia** 07506 421908 or [ltcadenuga@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ltcadenuga@yahoo.co.uk) The youth group is not only for St Wulstan's but for all three churches.

**MORNING PRAYER** For any who wish to participate in the Morning Prayer of the Church, offered at St Augustine's most mornings Monday to Friday, we use the 'Universalis' app which you can put on your smartphones on the settings for Northampton Diocese.

**2nd WEDNESDAY WORSHIP** Source Community Worship & Adoration at OLG 7.30-9pm on 11<sup>th</sup> February, followed by coffee and cake. All welcome. Info or lifts from Dom 07754 051840.

**SUNDAY EVENING READERS** There have been a couple of people who have volunteered

to go on the rota for the 6pm Sunday Mass, but I am afraid I seem to have mislaid their details. If those who volunteered will provide their details again I will draw up a rota for that Mass.

**LENTEN PRAYER** 'Walk With Me' booklets are now available to help us with a short but focussed time of Prayer and Scripture for each day of this forthcoming Holy Season at £1.50.

## **DIOCESE**

See the latest information from NYMO about upcoming events for teens, young adults and those working with young people in our diocese. If you would like to sign up to NYMO's newsletter receive emails about these and future events, please see their webpage: News – NYMO (<https://nymo.org/news-2/>)

### **JOURNEY WITH JESUS THROUGH LENT**

During Lent there is the opportunity for online small group sessions once a week for the six weeks beginning in the week beginning 16<sup>th</sup> February. Each 45 minute session will help you pray and reflect on the Scripture Readings for the coming Sunday. There will also be time during the session for silent reflection and sharing responses to the readings. Sessions will be available on multiple days and different times.

Sign up, and further information at <https://tickettailor.com/events/northamptondiocese/1963574>

**GOD WANTS MEN TO SERVE AS PRIESTS – Could it be you? Discernment Day** on Saturday 28 March.

Any men who are wondering whether God might be calling them to the priesthood are warmly invited to a 'Come and See' discernment day which will include prayer, reflection, input on priestly vocation and an open Q&A, offering a relaxed and supportive space to explore God's call and learn more about priestly life. It is open to men who are exploring, questioning or actively discerning a vocation.

To register or for further info. Please contact Fr Pius Amoako either by email to [vocationsdirector@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:vocationsdirector@northamptondiocese.org) or call 01753 523147

### **ENCOUNTER MINISTRY HEALING SERVICE**

on Friday 28 February at 7.30pm at Northampton Cathedral. The event is free, with no sign-up needed, and all are warmly invited to

attend. It is part of a wider healing school taking place over Friday and Saturday, welcoming over 100 participants from across the UK some of whom will serve as prayer ministers.

**WALKING IN THE HOLY SPIRIT (Fanning Into Flames)** The Northampton Charismatic Services of Communion (CDSC) invite parishioners to take part in this four part monthly online series exploring how the Holy Spirit shapes and strengthens us to send us out as disciples of Christ.

Each Zoom session offers accessible teaching and practical encouragement to deepen our relationship with the Holy Spirit. Sessions run from 7.00-8.30pm on Tuesdays.

17 February – *Growth* – Fr Emmanuel Okami

17 March – *Bonding* – Speaker to be confirmed

16 June – *Empowerment* – Charles Whitehead

14 July – *Mission* – Maria Heath

All are welcome and further information can be found at

<https://northamptondiocese.org/courses/walking-in-the-holy-spirit/>

**ST JOHN HENRY NEWMAN** Following his proclamation as a Doctor (or Teacher) of the Church by Pope Leo last year St John Henry has now been added to the General Roman Calendar, his Optional Memoria to be celebrated each year on 9<sup>th</sup> October. Of course in St John Henry Newman Parish it continues to be celebrated as a Solemnity.

## **OTHER**

**RETRouvaille** The Retrouvaille organisation exists to support marriages, and can bring hope and healing to relationships. Next programme begins on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2026. Visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk) for information.

**POPE LEO XIV** has chosen Bishop Richard Moth of Arundel and Brighton. Bishop Moth is to be installed as 12<sup>th</sup> Archbishop of Westminster on 14 February this year. Please keep him and the retiring Archbishop, in your prayers at this time.

**FIRST FRUITS gardening project** on 5 allotments. Volunteers wanted to help between 10.30am and 3.30pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of the month. Lunch provided. Info. From Dominic on 07754 051840.

**CATHOLIC YOUNG ARTIST and YOUNG WRITER Awards** The **Catholic Young Artist Award** is newly launched this year and is open to primary school aged children. This year's theme is **Forgiveness**. Entries will be judged by Margaret Mizen of the Mizen Foundation and the winner will be announced before the summer holidays and will receive a cash prize. Runners up will also be recognised.

Alongside this is the **Catholic Young Writer Award**, open to those of secondary school age, which this year invites entries reflecting on the question: **Why do we go to Confession?**

More information can be found at <https://catholicunion.org/2026/01/young-catholic-artist-award-2026>

**NATIONAL NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH** This will take place at St Joseph's, Maidenhead from 10-18 March. Each Year the Mill Hill Missionaries prepare for the feast of St Joseph with a Novena of Masses and Prayers to ask for God's Blessing on their Missionary work. All are welcome to these Masses at 10.00 each day of the Novena except Sunday, when it is at 11.00. The Masses can be followed on You Tube via the Mill Hill website [www.millhillmissionaries.com/novena](http://www.millhillmissionaries.com/novena) The Novena prayer book is available from the Novena Director at 6 Colby Gardens, Maidenhead SL6 7GZ for a suggested donation of £1 to cover costs. Petitions may also be sent to this address or email [novenamhm@gmail.com](mailto:novenamhm@gmail.com)

**WOMEN IN RELIGION** Isabella, a Year 12 student at John Colet School, is working on an Extended Project Qualification on women in religion, with a focus on Orthodox Judaism and Catholicism. She would love to be able to talk to women about their experience and knowledge and has provided a questionnaire which she would be happy for any women to fill in and return to her at [isabellalynn196@gmail.com](mailto:isabellalynn196@gmail.com)

**ADORE Spiritual Mini-Retreat 28 February** 10am-1pm on Zoom, with the title of 'JESUS – NO GREATER LOVE' The morning examines our relationship with Jesus through Mass, Adoration, Praise, Prophecy, Prayer for the Gifts of the Holy Spirit and a talk from guest speaker Charles Whitehead KSG. Register in advance at [bit.ly/ADOREFEB2026](http://bit.ly/ADOREFEB2026). More

information can be found at [www.altonrenewal.com](http://www.altonrenewal.com)

## **PILGRIMAGE**

**ASSISI** led by Fr Matt Roche Saunders. This year Assisi is celebrating a Jubilee Year marking the 800<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the life and death of St Francis. The trip is from 1-6 June 2026 from £1350 per person including return flights from Stanstead, Accommodation, Breakfast and Dinner and services of a local English-speaking guide throughout. Pilgrims will visit the basilicas of St Francis and St Clare, Mount Subiaco and also the tomb of St Carlo Acutis. Full details at [www.jcjourneys.com](http://www.jcjourneys.com) or call 01886 812862

### **+Useful Websites:**

<https://northamptondiocese.org>

<https://www.catholicreadings.org>

<https://cbcew.org.uk>

<http://www.heavensroadfm.com>

<http://www.walsingham.org.uk>

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

<http://cafod.org.uk>

## **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. Amen.



**PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION** to be used especially by those not receiving the Eucharist.

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and I unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.