



High Wycombe Catholic Parishes

2nd Sunday of Lent [A]

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Morning Prayer 9.15am before 9.30 weekday Mass
MASS INTENTIONS & TIMES
Saturday 28th February –
5.00pm (OLG) – Vigil Mass –

Sunday 1st March – 2nd Sunday of Lent [A]
9am (StAug)- People of the Parish
9am (SW) – John Osborne RIP
11am (StAug) –
11am (OLG) – Tommy Dillon RIP
6.00pm (StAug) – Amy Fernandes (Int)

Monday 2nd March –
9.30am (StAug) – Bonnie Hanbury (Int)

Tuesday 3rd March –
9.30am (StAug) – Holy Souls
10.00am (SW) –

Wednesday 4th March – St Casimir
9.30am (StAug) – Emmanuel Family (Thanksgiving)

Thursday 5th March –
9.30am (StAug) – Barry Sparrow RIP
7.00pm (OLG) –

Friday 6th March – SS Perpetua & Felicity,
9.30am (StAug) – Holy Souls
10.00am (SW) –

Saturday 7th March –
9.30am (StAug) – Salome Bayona Toledo & Ramon Toledo Snr.
5.00pm (OLG) - Vigil Mass – People of the Parish

Sunday 8th March – 3rd Sunday of Lent [A]
9am (StAug) – Pat Varley RIP
9am (SW) – John Priestley RIP
11am (StAug) – Stephen Joseph RIP
11am (OLG) – .Dcn Mick & Chris O’Leary RIP
6.00pm (StAug) – Dominic McDermott (Int)

Sunday Mass Readings: Genesis 12:1-4; Psalm 33:4-5,18-20,22; 2Timothy 1:8-10; Matthew 17:1-9

Psalm response:

May Your merciful love be upon us, as we hope in You, O LORD.

Gospel Acclamation

From a bright cloud the Father’s voice was heard:
‘This is My beloved Son, listen to Him.

EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATION:

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

Communion Antiphon:

This is My beloved Son, with Whom I am well pleased.
Listen to Him.

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

St Augustine's Saturday 6.30pm
St Wulstan's After Friday Mass
Our Lady of Grace After Thursday Mass

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 2nd 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: £1144.42

+Standing Orders of £696

St John Henry Newman: £1111.31

PRAYER GROUP at St Augustine's:

2nd March – Zoom – 8pm

9th March – Zoom – 8pm

16th March – Upper Room -7.30pm

23rd March – Zoom – 8pm

For Zoom details please contact Deacon. Brin.

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



LOOP SYSTEM Unfortunately the Loop System in St Augustine's is presently out of action until essential repairs can be made. Apologies for this.

READING FOR LENT We still have some of the Lenten booklets available for sale at £1.50 to guide you through Lent one day at a time. Also you might wish to investigate the **Parish Library at St Wulstan's** and borrow a book to read during this season.

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 or **Kathy Russell** karussell143@aol.com

CHURCH CLEANING ROTA (St Augustine's)

March 4 Pauline & Tony

March 11 Winston & Prem

March 21 Valentina & Kennedy

March 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.

EMMAUS: Opening the Scriptures This very popular series of talks continues on 4th 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

You can also watch online at 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 lucadenuga@yahoo.co.uk The youth group is not only for St Wulstan's but for all three churches.

HOLY EASTER EGGS – The chocolate egg that shares the Easter story. The eggs are for sale at St Wulstan's £5.50 each. There is a poster and an order form in the narthex at St Wulstan's, or call Gill on 01494 529495.

CARDS for St Patrick's Day, Mothering Sunday and for Easter available for sale in the narthex at St Wulstan's.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

CLEANER (HIGH WYCOMBE) We are looking for a Cleaner for St John Henry Newman (St Wulstan) and St Augustine's to work for 3.5 hours per week at each parish to do cleaning work in the Parish Office and Presbytery. This could be done by two people, or one person might wish to undertake both posts.

PARISH SECRETARY We are seeking a Parish Secretary to provide administrative support in both parishes. Based at St Wulstan's for 10 hours per week (Tuesdays and Fridays) and for 10 hours per week at St Augustine's (Days and times to be discussed) Again someone might apply for one of these posts or for both of them.

For both posts full information and application forms can be found at <https://northamptondiocese.org/jobs/>

All candidates should complete a Diocesan application form and email it to hr.admin@northamptondiocese.org The closing date for applications is Friday 13th March

VOLUNTEERING

SINGERS Our Churches are looking for more singers to lead the liturgies at all three churches. You don't have to read music or have an audition! Rehearsals are at Our Lady's at 10.30am on a Sunday before Mass at OLG and at St Augustine's on a Thursday evening. You don't have to be a great soloist, just someone who enjoys singing and offering that to the Lord. To know more do speak to any of our organists/choir leaders after Mass on Sunday

CLEANERS We are always looking for people to help with the cleaning and maintenance of our Churches. At present we are especially in need of cleaners at St Wulstan's. If you can spare a little time to help in this work that would be a great contribution to the life of the Parish.

COLLECTION COUNTING at St Augustine's is normally done on a Monday morning after Mass. If you would be able to help please speak to Fr Jonathan. It would be good to have several teams of people doing the work.

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.

QUIZ NIGHT In aid of the SVP there will be a Quiz Night held on **Saturday 7th March** in the Upper Room at St Augustine's, beginning at 7.30pm. Gather friends and/or family to make up a team. Or come on your own, join a table, meet new friends and have fun! Tickets are at £10 including drinks and nibbles. They will be available after Mass at St Augustine's or from Ann on 07774 275751. Let's make this a great Parish Social event and help raise funds to help some of those in need.

PARISH ICON HOUSEHOLD TOUR – LENT & EASTER 2026

We invite families and households in the Parish to host the icon of Our Lady, Queen of heaven as a focus for family and personal prayer. Each household will host the icon for a week, collecting it on Saturday/Sunday and returning it by the following weekend. This will run from the beginning of Lent through to Trinity Sunday. To make a booking please sign up on the sheets at the back of the Church.

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 16th 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 if God might be calling them to the priesthood are invited to a 'Come and See' day of 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 or call 01753 523147

CHRISM MASS This Mass, where the Holy Oils to be used throughout the year are blessed and consecrated will take place at the Cathedral in Northampton on Wednesday 1st April, beginning at midday.

OTHER

NATIONAL NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH at St Joseph's, Maidenhead from 10-18 March. All are welcome to these Masses at 10.00 each day of the Novena except Sunday, (11.00). The Masses can be followed on You Tube at 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. Petitions may also be sent to this address or email novenamhm@gmail.com

PILGRIMAGES

PATMOS of St John the Evangelist Led by Fr Jerome Ituah OCD 1st-7th June 2026. Cost £1595 including flights, ferries and hotels, with breakfast and one other daily meal. See poster in porch for details.

ASSISI led by Fr Matt Roche Saunders. Assisi is celebrating a Jubilee Year marking the 800th 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.jcjournays.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.