



# High Wycombe Catholic Parishes

## 3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY of EASTER [A]

### 19<sup>th</sup> April 2026



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#### **MASS INTENTIONS & TIMES**

*Morning Prayer 9.15am before 9.30 weekday Mass*

#### Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April –

5.00pm (OLG) VIGIL MASS People of the Parish

#### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April – 3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER [A]

9am (StAug) Lesley Cox RIP  
9am (SW) Martin Crotty (Int)  
11am (StAug) Vincent Carr RIP – Anniv.  
11am (OLG)  
6.00pm (StAug) Holy Souls

#### Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April –

9.30am (StAug)

#### Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April – St Anselm, Bishop

6.00pm (SW)

#### Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April –

9.30am (StAug)

#### Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April – ST GEORGE, Martyr

7.00pm (OLG)

#### Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April – St Adalbert, Bishop & Martyr

10.00am (SW)

#### Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April – ST MARK, Evangelist

9.30am (StAug)  
5.00pm (OLG) VIGIL MASS

#### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April – 4<sup>th</sup> OF EASTER (A)

9am (StAug)  
9am (SW)  
11am (StAug)  
11am (OLG)  
6.00pm (StAug)

#### SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Acts 2:42-47; Psalm 118:2-4,13-15,22-24 R/v.1;  
1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31

#### Psalm Response

*Give praise to the LORD, for He is good, His  
mercy endures for ever.*

#### Gospel Acclamation

*You believed, Thomas, because you have  
seen Me, says the Lord. Blessed are those  
who have not seen and yet have believed.*

### Eucharistic Acclamation:

*When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your death, O Lord, until You come again.*

### Communion Antiphon:

*Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.*

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### CONFESSIONS

St Augustine's      Saturday 10.15-11am  
St Wulstan's        Saturday 11.30-12 noon  
Our Lady of Grace   Thursday 6.30-7.00pm

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### MONEY MATTERS

St AUGUSTINE'S: £1068.60  
Plus Standing Orders: £696  
St JHN: £1232.54

**NEXT WEEK: Retiring Collection for Diocesan Priests' Training Fund**

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### TEA AND COFFEE

available after the 11am Mass in the Upper Room at St Augustine's **ALSO...** after Sunday morning Mass at St Wulstan's and **NOW Both Masses** at Our Lady's.



**AND ALSO...** after Thursday Mass at St Augustine's and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at St Wulstan's. *Come and have a cuppa!*

### **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 **1pm** onwards. A contribution of £2 is requested to cover the cost of refreshments.

*Other ways in which we can be spiritually nourished...*



### 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, tablets, etc. Use the settings for **England - Northampton Diocese.**

### EXPOSITION & ADORATION:

**St Augustine's:** Saturday after Mass, finishing at 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 9.30am Mass at St Augustine's.

### & ONLINE ROSARY

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



### PRAYER GROUP at St Augustine's:

20<sup>th</sup> April – Upper Room 7.30pm

27<sup>th</sup> April – Zoom – 8pm

11<sup>th</sup> May – Zoom – 8pm

18<sup>th</sup> May – Upper Room 7.30pm

For Zoom details, please contact Deacon Brin.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS ROTA** The new rota at St Augustine's has now been sent out. If you have not received your copy do please collect a hard copy from the Sacristy and/or confirm your email address with me.

### LECTIO DIVINA

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 10.45am. All ages welcome! For details of how to join, please contact **Anne Freier**, freier1961@gmail.com or **Kathy Russell**, karussell143@aol.com

### JULIAN MEETINGS

Our next meeting for Spiritual Reading, Contemplative prayer and discussion will be at 4pm on Saturday, 25 April at St Augustine's. All welcome. If you have not tried this before, why not come along and see what it is about.

### EMMAUS: Opening the Scriptures

The series continues 6<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm at St Teresa's in Beaconsfield when Mgr Sean Healy will speak on *Gratitude & Contentment – the Secret of a Thankful Heart* (1Thess.5:16-18)

### GENERAL NEWS!

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

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

May 6                  Pauline & Tony

May 13                Winston & Prem

May 23                Valentina & Kennedy

April 22               Liz & Mari

## VOLUNTEERING IN OUR CHURCHES

**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 can help, please speak to Fr Jonathan. It would be good to have several teams available – many hands make light work!

### A "COMMUNITY OF COMMUNITIES" DAY 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2026

The South Bucks Pastoral Area Council is organising a **Family Day** to be held at St Teresa's, Beaconsfield, to celebrate the diverse cultures and nationalities that comprise our parishes.

The day is to run from 9.30am to 3.30pm and will include a Service of Celebration and Thanksgiving. See the poster on the porch for fuller details or contact St Teresa's Parish Office on 01494 673018

### FOR OUR YOUNGER MEMBERS

*For the latest information from the Northampton Youth Ministry team, NYMO, about upcoming events for teens, young adults and those working with young people in our diocese, please visit <https://nymo.org/news-2/>. It is also possible through this website to sign up to receive NYMO's newsletter*

**YOUTH CLUB** meet up at St Wulstan's parish room on Saturday afternoons. If interested in either joining or volunteering, please contact Leticia on 07506 421908 or email her at [ltcadenuga@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ltcadenuga@yahoo.co.uk). Our Youth Group is for all three churches! All are welcome!

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** The Children's Liturgy for those children who have not yet made their First Communion at the 11am Mass at St Augustine's and the Sunday morning Masses at the other churches. After Palm Sunday the group at St Augustine's will be taking a break until 19<sup>th</sup> April.

**LIGHTHOUSE CRESSEX** Mon 27<sup>th</sup> July-Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July at the Church of Christ the Servant King, Booker. This children's Summer Holiday Club will run between these dates for primary school children and is run by members of local Christian Churches.

We need more adult helpers, especially an Age Group Leader for the 7 year olds and a SEN Co-ordinator.

Children's Registration is now open if your child would like to attend.

To register as a helper or to register your child please go to <https://app.signmeup.org.uk/lighthouse-cressex/46>

## PILGRIMAGES

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

**ASSISI** led by Fr Matt Roche Saunders. 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

**LOUDES: Diocesan Pilgrimage** This is the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of pilgrimages to Lourdes and the Diocese of Northampton has been there from the very beginning. The Catholic Association pilgrimage is supported by healthcare professionals and offers spiritual, liturgical, pastoral and logistical infrastructure. This year's pilgrimage is from 21<sup>st</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> August. People can also come along as volunteer helpers, for which the minimum age is 16. To find out more visit [www.catholicassociation.co.uk/join](http://www.catholicassociation.co.uk/join)

## OTHER

**DAVID GOODBOURN LECTURE 2026** In the midst of violence and suffering in the Holy Land and across the Middle East Fr David Neuhaus will be giving this year's lecture, titled 'Palestine-Israel: A Catholic Perspective.' Fr David is an Israeli Jesuit, and a prominent voice for justice and peace. The event, held by Churches together in Britain and Ireland, is being held via Zoom on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May from 7-9pm. Go to <https://ctbi.org.uk/event/david-goodbourn-lecture-2026/>

**LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR** There is still time to register for the Life in the Spirit Seminars starting on 28<sup>th</sup> April and running through to June. Sessions are on Teams and cover 'The Father's Loving Plan', 'The Joy of the Gospel', 'The Gift of the Spirit', 'Unwrapping God's Gift', 'Encountering the Holy Spirit' and 'Living in the Spirit.'

Find out more at <https://northamptondiocese.org/life-in-the-spirit-seminars-2026/>

### Some Useful Websites:

<https://northamptondiocese.org>

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

<https://www.catholicreadings.org>

<http://cafod.org.uk>

<https://cbcew.org.uk>

(Catholic Bishops' Conference for England & Wales)

<http://www.heavensroadfm.com>

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

### Dates for Diary

16<sup>th</sup> May: 1<sup>st</sup> Communion (StAug) 12.30pm

6<sup>th</sup> June: Confirmation (StAug) 2.00pm

7<sup>th</sup> July: 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Fr James'

Priestly Ordination.

## LET US PRAY...

### 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

*This prayer can be said especially by anyone not receiving the Eucharist at Mass.*

**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.



### A PRAYER FOR PEACE

**Almighty God**, from Whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed, kindle, we pray You, in the hearts of all people the true love of peace, and guide with Your pure and peaceable wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth; that in tranquillity Your Kingdom may go forward, till the earth be filled with the knowledge of Your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

