



High Wycombe Catholic Parishes

12th Sunday of the Year – YEAR A

21st June 2026

Day For Life Sunday*



"A warm welcome to all parishioners and visitors joining us this Sunday."

Please take the Newsletter home with you for reference.

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*StAug -St Augustine Church, 24 Amersham Hill, High Wycombe HP13 6NZ.

*OLG- Our Lady of Grace 29 Squirrel Lane, Booker, High Wycombe, HP12 4RY.

*SW- St Wulstan's Church Hollis Rd, High Wycombe HP13 7UN.

*Day For Life Sunday- *The church teaches that life is to be nurtured from conception to natural death. In England & Wales, Day for Life is celebrated on the third Sunday of June each Year. "This year's theme is the Wonder of the Child in the womb". There is a retiring collection for Day for Life this weekend. Go to cbcew.org.uk to read Pope Leo XIV's special message for this day.*

MASS INTENTIONS & TIMES

Saturday 20th June – St. Alban, Martyr

5.00pm (OLG) – Vigil Mass for Sunday

Mrs. Leelet Joseph RIP

Sunday 21st June – 12th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [A]

9am (StAug) – People of the Parish

9am (SW) – Thanksgiving Mass

11am (StAug) – David Sole RIP

11am (OLG) – David Sole RIP

6.00pm (StAug) – Alan Walker (Int).

Monday 22nd June – Sts. John Fisher, Bishop & Thomas More, Martyrs

11.00am (StAug) – Tess Lacey RIP

Tuesday 23rd June – St. Etheldreda. Abbess

9.30am (StAug) – David Sole RIP

10.00am (SW)

Wednesday 24th June – The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

9.30am (StAug) -

Thursday 25th June –

9.30am (StAug) – Rey Dangcal RIP

7.00pm (OLG) –

Friday 26th June –

9.30am (StAug) – Foundation Mass – Flynn

10.00am (SW)

Saturday 27th June – St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop, Doctor

9.30am (StAug) – Jon Hanbury RIP

5.00pm (OLG)

Sunday 28th June – Sts. PETER & PAUL. Apostles Solemnity

9am (StAug) – Krystyna Lew RIP

9am (SW)

11am (StAug) –

11am (OLG)

6.00pm (StAug) – Gilbert & Louise black RIP

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Jeremiah 20:10-13, Psalm 69:8-10,14,17,33-35
Romans 5:12-15, Matthew 10:26-33

Entrance Antiphon

The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.

Psalm Response

In your great mercy, answer me, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

The Spirit of truth will bear witness about me, says the Lord, and you also will bear witness.

Eucharistic Acclamation

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

Communion Antiphon

The eyes of all look to you, Lord, and you give them their food in due season.

CONFESSIONS

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

MONEY MATTERS

St AUGUSTINE'S: £1020.88 + Standing Orders: £696
St JHN: £ + Standing Orders: approx.£550

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children who have **not yet made their First Communion** are warmly invited to join our Children's Liturgy during the **11 am Mass at St Augustine's** and at **Sunday morning Masses** across our other parish churches.

TEA AND COFFEE

We warmly invite you to stay for a drink and a chat:



- After the 11am Mass at St Augustine's (Upper Room)
- After Sunday morning Mass at St Wulstan's and Our Lady's
- After the 1st-Sunday Vigil Mass at Our Lady's
- After Thursday Mass at St Augustine's
- On the second Tuesday of the month at St Wulstan's

A lovely way to meet others in our parish family.

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.

SVP WEDNESDAY FRIENDSHIP GROUP at St Augustine's after 09.30 Mass each Wednesday. All welcome for a chance to chat, play board games and enjoy tea and biscuits – or even cake!

Celebrating 25 Years of Faithful Priesthood

Let us come together in gratitude and prayer as we thank **God** for **Fr James Evans'** dedicated service, spiritual guidance and faithful ministry over the past twenty-five years on **7th July at 7.00 p.m. at St. Augustine's Church** followed by **reception** in the **UPPER** Room.

GROWING IN FAITH

MORNING PRAYER:

For any who wish to participate in the Morning Prayer of the Church, offered at St Augustine's at 9.15am before the 9.30 Mass Monday to Saturday, 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: Thursdays from 6.30-7.00pm

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:

22nd June – Upper Room 7.30pm

29th June – Zoom 8pm

6th July – Zoom 8pm

13th July – Zoom 8pm

For Zoom details, please contact Deacon Brin.

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. For details of how to join,

please contact **Anne Freier**, freier1961@gmail.com or **Kathy Russell**, karussell143@aol.com All ages welcome!

ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH OPEN DAY Come and

See. This Open Day is to be held on Saturday 4th July from 12noon-4pm. A day for parishioners and non-parishioners alike, especially for those who do not usually attend church, but who might wonder what goes on there. There will be welcomers to answer any questions about the place, refreshments, guided tours at 1, 2 and 3pm or just a peaceful place to offer a candle and pray. Please invite family, friends, and anyone you may have always wanted to invite to our church but didn't know how – a gentle opportunity to help pass on your faith. Flyers will be available in the church to take away.

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)

June 24: Liz & Mari

July 1: Pauline & Tony

July 8: Winston & Prem

July 15: Valentina & Kennedy

Legion of Mary – Our Lady of Families

A new Legion of Mary group has begun at St Aidan's, Amersham. Parishioners who feel called to this mission are invited to the weekly meeting on **Thursdays, 6.45–8.30pm** for prayer, spiritual sharing, and outreach to the sick, lonely, and those in need. For details—or if you can help with transport from High Wycombe—please contact **Sigmund Fernandes (07788 238511)**.

GOOD COUNSEL NETWORK – Day of Prayer &

Fasting: On **Tuesday 23rd June**, you are invited to **pray and fast for the end of abortion and euthanasia** in our country. Your prayer and sacrifice are urgently needed. For more information, please contact the **Good Counsel Network** on **020 7723 1740** or visit www.goodcounselnetwork.com. *“And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast... God saw their efforts... and He relented.”* (Jonah 3:5,10) (See Poster)

Called & Equipped 2026–27

Want to deepen your faith and grow as a disciple? The diocesan Called & Equipped course returns this September, offering a year-long journey of faith formation, Catholic teaching, and community.

Join the introductory webinar on Wednesday 24 June, 7:30–8:30pm.

Sign up: <https://northamptondiocese.org/called-equipped/>

FUNDRAISING EVENT – Saturday 27th June: Join us at St Teresa's, Beaconsfield (10.30am–3pm) for a fundraising day supporting the Mongu Children's Home in Zambia. Enjoy food, crafts, games and activities while helping provide vital medical care for vulnerable children. Full details are on the noticeboards.

DIACONATE – “Taster Day”, Saturday 4th July

The Permanent Diaconate is a unique vocation for men—many of them married—who feel called to serve the Church through **proclaiming the Word, service at the altar, and works of charity** within the community.

If you have ever felt a quiet nudge to serve more deeply, or if others have recognised in you a *servant's heart*, this may be something the Lord is inviting you to explore. For married men, this journey is one shared with your wife, whose support is an essential part of discernment. Further information is available at northamptondiocese.org/diaconate, or you may speak with **Deacon Brin** or **Deacon Paul**. A **no-commitment “Taster Day”** will be held at **Holy Family, Slough**, on **Saturday 4th July**, beginning at **10am**. To book or enquire, please contact **Deacon Erik Kerr** at deaconerik.kerr@northamptondiocese.org.

ST AUGUSTINE'S SUMMER PROMS – Friday 18th

July: Join us for an uplifting evening of music at the St Augustine's Summer Proms on Friday 18th July at 7.00pm. Our parish choir and musicians will present a joyful programme of hymns, choral favourites, classical pieces, and well-loved Proms classics. All are warmly welcome—bring family and friends and celebrate the summer together!

WEBELIEVE – Festival of Catholic Life

Join Catholics from across England and Wales for the **WeBelieve** Festival at St Mary's College, Oscott, from 24–27 July 2026. A four-day celebration of faith, community, prayer, and Catholic life. More details at webeliefefestival.com.

DIOCESAN MASS FOR MARRIAGE AND FAMILIES:

Northampton Cathedral will host the annual Mass for Marriages and Families at **12pm** on **Saturday 5th September**. All are warmly invited, especially couples celebrating milestone anniversaries this year.

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/>.

YOUTH CLUB for those aged 9-15 meet up at St Wulstan's parish room on Saturday afternoons in term time 4pm-5.30pm. If interested in either joining or volunteering, please contact Leticia on 07506 421908 or email her at lrcadenuga@yahoo.co.uk. Our Youth Group is for all three churches! All are welcome!

Lighthouse Cressex runs Mon 27th–Fri 31st July at the Church of Christ the Servant King, Booker, for primary-school children. More adult helpers are needed—especially a 7-year-olds Age Group Leader and a SEN Co-ordinator. Registration for children and helpers is now open: <https://app.signmeup.org.uk/lighthouse-cressex/46>

From the Vocations Director

For any men who might be wondering if God is calling them to serve as priests, or who would just like to know more about the priest's life and work, you may of course have a chat with priests in our parishes or you may contact our Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Pius Amoako. He can be contacted via vocationsdirector@northamptondiocese.org, or by telephone 01582 502400.

Useful Website Links:

- northamptondiocese.org
- northamptondiocese.org/donate
- catholicreadings.org
- cafod.org.uk
- cbcew.org.uk - (Catholic Bishops' Conference for England & Wales)
- walsingham.org.uk
- www.heavensroadfm.com

Dates for Diary

27th June: Fundraiser (see Poster) at St Teresa's, Beaconsfield.

4th July: 'Open Day' at St Augustine's.

4th July: Permanent Diaconate "Taster Day" at Holy Family, Slough (10am).

7th July: Silver Jubilee of Fr James' Ordination. 😊

18th July: St Augustine's Summer Proms, 7pm – an evening of uplifting music.

24th–27th July: WeBelieve Festival at St Mary's College, Oscott

31st July: CAFOD Quiz at St Teresa's, Beaconsfield.

More details to follow.

5th September: Diocesan Mass for Marriage & Families

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 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.

Prayer for Peace of Pope Saint John XXIII

Lord Jesus Christ, who are called the Prince of Peace, who are yourself our peace and reconciliation, who so often said, "Peace to you," grant us peace. Make all men and women witnesses of truth, justice, and brotherly love. Banish from their hearts whatever might endanger peace. Enlighten our rulers that they may guarantee and defend the great gift of peace. May all peoples of the earth become as brothers and sisters. May longed-for peace blossoms forth.

Prayer for the 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lord Jesus, help us trust in Your loving care in times of fear and uncertainty. Strengthen our hearts, deepen our faith, and guide our words and actions so we may witness faithfully to Your truth. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

O Faithful St Joseph, Guardian of the Redeemer, to whom the Child Jesus lovingly called out "Abba" Pray for all our Fathers. Amen!