



High Wycombe Catholic Parishes

Solemnity of St Peter & St Paul 28th June 2026



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

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

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

MASS INTENTIONS: DATES & TIMES

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

5.00pm (OLG) – Vigil Mass for Sunday

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

9.00am (StAug) – Krystyna Lew RIP

9.00am (SW) – For Esther

11am (StAug) – Zbigniew Witkowski

11am (OLG) – Thomas Ryan RIP

6.00pm (StAug) – Gilbert & Louise Black RIP

Monday 29th June

9.30am (StAug) – James Gilgunn RIP

Tuesday 30th June – First Martyrs of Rome

9.30am (StAug) –

10.00am (SW) –

Wednesday 1st July – St Oliver Plunkett,
Bishop & Martyr

9.30am (StAug) – Margaret & Peter Cusick
RIP Anniversary

Thursday 2nd July

9.30am (StAug) –

7.00pm (OLG) –

Friday 3rd July – St. Thomas. Apostle Feast

9.30am (StAug) – Thomas Samuel Int.

10.00am (SW) –

Saturday 4th July – St. Elisabeth of Portugal

9.30am (StAug) – Cecilia Nkwocha RIP

5.00pm (OLG) – Vigil Mass for Sunday

Sunday 5th July – 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9am (StAug) –

9am (SW) – People of the Parish

11am (StAug) – Peter Campbell
RIP Anniversary

11am (OLG) – Maria Schaffer Intentions

6.00pm (StAug) –

OUR SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Acts 12:1-11, Psalm 34:2-9
Timothy 4:6-8,17-18 Matthew 16:13-19

Entrance Antiphon

These are the ones who, living in the flesh, planted the Church with their blood; they drank the chalice of the Lord and became the friends of God.

Psalm Response

From all my terror the Lord set me free.

Gospel Acclamation

You are Peter, and on this rock, I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

Eucharistic Acclamation

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

Communion Antiphon

Peter said to Jesus: You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God.

And Jesus replied: You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.

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 – Thank you! 😊

St AUGUSTINE'S: £964.03 + £311.53(Day for Life) + standing orders: £696. St JHN: £726.64 + £349.64 (Day for Life) + standing orders: approx.£550

2nd Collection (Retiring) this weekend is for Peter's Pence – to support the mission of the Holy Father.

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.

DAVID SOLE – RIP

We remember David Sole, a long-standing and much-loved member of our parish, who passed to the Lord on **7th June**. His funeral will take place at Our Lady and St Hugh's, Witney, on **10th July at 11.00am**, with reception of the body on **9th July at 5.30pm**. May God grant him eternal rest and comfort Margaret and his family.

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!

Bega Kwa Bega – Walk & Cream Tea

Join us for an afternoon of friendship, gentle walking, and cream tea in support of Bega Kwa Bega on Sunday 19th July 2026, 2:00–4:30pm at Our Lady of Grace. For more information, please contact Dee Harvey at: dympna.harvey@btinternet.com

Celebrating 25 Years of Faithful Priesthood

Let us come together in gratitude and prayer as we thank **God** for **Fr James'** dedicated service, spiritual guidance and faithful ministry over the past 25 years on, **7th July at 7.00 p.m. in St. Augustine's Church** followed by **reception in the UPPER Room. To enrich our celebration, you are warmly invited to bring a plate of food to share at the buffet.**

GROWING IN FAITH

MORNING PRAYER:

For any who wish to participate in the Morning



Prayer of the Church, usually said 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 via Zoom - 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 & INFORMATION

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)

July 1st: Pauline & Tony

July 8th: Winston & Prem

July 15th: Valentina & Kennedy

July 22nd: Liz & Mari

ANNUAL 3 PARISHES QUIZ NIGHT: Friday 31st July at 7pm. St Teresa's Parish Centre, Beaconsfield. This CAFOD fundraiser includes a fish & chip supper (or veg. option). For more information and tickets at £15 ea., from Sheila Ashmore: 07703 358102

MAGNIFICA HUMANITAS – All are warmly invited to a series of six sessions led by Fr John McGowan OCD, reflecting on **Magnifica Humanitas** (“**The Greatness of Humanity**”), **Pope Leo's** first Encyclical Letter on the rapid growth of artificial intelligence and its impact on society.

These sessions offer an opportunity to explore the encyclical together, deepen our understanding of its teaching, and reflect on the human and spiritual implications of new technologies in our daily lives.

Thursdays @ 7.30pm: 25 June, 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 July

Venue: St Joseph's, Austenwood Common, Gerrards Cross, SL9 8RY

LEGION OF MARY – Our Lady of Families

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

DIACONATE –Taster Day, 4th July

Men who feel called to serve through the **Permanent Diaconate** are invited to a **no-commitment Taster Day at Holy Family, Slough, on Saturday 4th July at 10am.**

Further details about the permanent diaconate may be found at northamptondiocese.org/diaconate or by email through contacting **Deacon Erik Kerr** - deaconerik.kerr@northamptondiocese.org.

St AUGUSTINE'S SUMMER PROMS – Saturday 18th

July: Join us for an uplifting evening of music at the St Augustine's Summer Proms on Saturday 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 webbelievofestival.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 ltcadenuga@yahoo.co.uk. Our Youth Group is for all three churches! All are welcome!

Lighthouse Cressex (27-31 July 2026) is seeking donations for children aged 0-11 years to help raise funds for this year's event. Donations may be placed in the collection box located in the Church Porch at **Our Lady of Grace** by **Sunday, 19th July**. Please donate **children's books, games, and jigsaw puzzles only**.

Thank you for your generosity and for supporting Lighthouse Cressex and its work with local children and families.

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 wish to have a chat with priests in our parishes. 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 at a glance

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

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 blossom forth.

BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD – the Psalms