



High Wycombe Catholic Parishes

7th Sunday of the Year [C]

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Morning Prayer 9.15am before 9.30 weekday Mass

MASS INTENTIONS & TIMES

Saturday 22 Feb. – St Peter's Chair
9.30am (StAug) – Samantha Findon RIP
5.00pm (OLG) - Vigil Mass: Reynaldo Dangcal RIP

Sunday 23 Feb.- 7th Sunday of the Year [C]
9am (StAug) – Augustine Muchemwa RIP – Anniv.
9am (SW) – People of the Parish
11am (StAug) – Cathy Shaffer RIP
11am (OLG) – Patrick Obhocoh RIP
6pm (St Aug) –

Monday 24 Feb. –
9.30am (StAug) – Silvano & Mario Shafer (healing)

Tuesday 25 Feb. –
9.30am (StAug) -
10.00am (SW) –

Wednesday 26 Feb. – Bl. Robert Drury, Martyr
9.30am (StAug) – Marie Thornber RIP – Anniv.

Thursday 27 Feb. – St Gregory of Narek, Doctor
1.30pm (StAug) – REQUIEM – Bill Gilbert
7.00pm (OLG) – Patrick Dunleavy

Friday 28 Feb. –
9.30am (StAug) – Foundation Mass - Rutledge
10am (SW) –

Saturday 1 Mar. – St David, Bishop

9.30am (StAug) –
5pm (OLG) - Vigil Mass

Sunday 2 Mar. – 8th Sunday of the Year [C]

9am (StAug) –
9am (SW) –
11am (StAug) –
11am (OLG) –
6pm (StAug) –

1st Reading: 1Samuel 26:2,7-9,12-13,22-23

Psalm 103:1-4,8,10,12-13.

2nd Reading: 1Corinthians 15:45-49.

Gospel: Luke 6:27-38.

Psalm response

The LORD is compassionate and gracious.

Gospel Acclamation:

A new commandment I give to you, says the Lord,
that you love one another just as I have loved you.

EUCCHARISTIC ACC. Save us, Saviour of the world,
for by Your Cross and Resurrection You have set us
free.

CONFESSIONS:

St Augustine's Sat.10.15-11am
St Wulstan's Sat 11.30-12.00am
Our Lady of Grace Thurs 6.30-7pm
Or ring to make an appointment

BAPTISM (StAug): Tommy Doran and Iris Amanda Mallari

PARISH & PASTORAL AREA

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: at 11am Mass (St Aug) and Sunday morning Masses (StJHN).

TEA AND COFFEE after the 11.00 Mass at St Augustine's in the U/R Please do not block anyone in, in the Car Park. All proceeds to SVP.



ALSO, after the Sunday morning Masses in our other churches. Please do come along at least occasionally as this is a great way to get to know other Parishioners.

ALSO: After Mass at **St Wulstan's** on the 2nd Tuesday of the month. All proceeds to the S.V.P.

ALSO: After Thursday morning Mass.

EXPOSITION & ADORATION:

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

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

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: £897.56

+Standing Orders of £696

St John Henry Newman: £1118.21

This Week we have an appeal from the Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver, with a retiring collection.

PRAYER GROUP at St Augustine's:

24th February – Zoom 8pm

3rd March – Zoom 8pm

10th March – Upper Room 7.30pm.

Lent Meeting.

17th March – Zoom 8pm

24th March – Zoom 8pm

For Zoom details please contact Deacon Brin.



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.

LECTIO DIVINA Thursdays at 11.00am

Sessions are over Zoom (joining from 10.45 to start at 11) and will last up to 90 minutes. For details of how to join, please contact **Anne Freier** freier1961@gmail.com or **Kathy Russell** karussell143@aol.com

THE SVP (SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL)

WEDNESDAY

FRIENDSHIP GROUP.

after 9.30am Mass. In the Upper Room. All welcome for refreshment, chat and games.



CHURCH CLEANING ROTA (St Augustine's)

Feb.26 Liz & Maria

Mar.5 Pauline & Tony

Mar.12 Winston & Prem

Mar.22 Valentina & Kennedy

Mar.26 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. Come and join in this successful and enjoyable event.

YOUTH CLUB at St. Wulstan's on Saturday afternoons from 4pm. If interested in either joining or volunteering contact **Leticia** 07506 421908 or ltheadenuga@yahoo.co.uk

YOUNG ADULT FAITH AND FRIENDSHIP GROUP:

Invites new members. For more information contact Peter Donnelly at: lifetothefullyouth@gmail.com Meeting after Sunday 6pm Mass followed by informal social after (around 7.45pm) Refreshments, Praise, Prayer, Sharing, Friendship. Contact for more information or to be added to **WhatsApp group** or telephone 07716686383.

JULIAN MEETINGS Our next meeting will be on Sunday 23rd March at 4pm. These times of contemplative Prayer consist of listening to a spiritual reading followed by 20-25 minutes of silent prayer during which we ponder and pray about what we have heard. After that we have some coffee in the Sacristy and talk or share.

LENT will soon be upon us, and we should be giving thought now to what we shall do to mark this holy season.

From March 15-21 we shall have a Lenten Mission at St Augustine's, led by Fr Errol Fernandes SJ to help us reflect on Lent and on our own prayer life. Fr Errol hopes to reflect on a transformative Lenten experience. Details of event to follow.

Saturday 15th March: Fr Errol arrives

Sunday 16th March: Fr Errol will preach at all Masses at St Augustine's, announcing the Mission and inviting people to it.

Monday 17th-Wednesday 19th March: Mission Days, when Fr Errol will celebrate Mass at 6.30 each evening, followed by the Mission Talk from 7-8pm.

Thursday 20th March: This evening Fr Errol will give an input on the Sacrament of Confession, following which Confessions will be heard.

Friday 21st March: Morning Mass at St Augustine's to be followed by Stations..

PILGRIMS OF HOPE/ YEAR OF JUBILEE The Jubilee used to be a time of restitution and new beginnings. Throughout this year we shall be hosting a series of meetings in our churches to pray about and consider the main themes of the year. Our 2nd meeting in this series will be in Easter Week, on **22nd April at St Augustine's** at the later time of **6.30pm**. The subject will be 'Food Poverty.' To help us in all this the Jubilee booklets are available at £1.50.

JUBILEE CHURCHES Bishop David has designated three churches in the Diocese as Jubilee Churches: Northampton Cathedral, Holy Child & St Joseph, Bedford and St Peter's, Marlow. Pastoral Areas and Parishes are particularly encouraged to make a pilgrimage to one of these churches.

CARE FOR CREATION RETREATS The Canonesses of St Augustine are running retreats at Boarbank Hall in Cumbria, titled 'The Joy of Limits' These will be on 27-31 May and 4-10 October. For information and booking go to margaret@boarbankhall.org.uk

EMMAUS: Opening the Scriptures This very popular series of talks continues at St Teresa's, Beaconsfield on 12th March at the usual time of 7.30-9.00 in the evening. Sr. Lilian Ehidamen will be speaking on Matthew 25:36 'Judge not that you may not be judged.' To register contact www.stjosephs.org.uk/Emmaus You can also watch online at [you.tube.com/@Emmaussouthbucks](https://www.youtube.com/@Emmaussouthbucks)

RECYCLING FOR GOOD CAUSES In the porch at St Augustine's is a recycling box to raise money for **Mary's Meals**. You put items in the box and they are collected and used to raise money to help feed children in many countries. What can you put in the box? Unwanted gold and silver jewellery, costume jewellery, Watches; Banknotes and coins of any currency and any age, Postage stamps, used or unused; Mobile phones and gadgets, cameras – any condition or age. Declutter your space and help those in need – what could be better!

ST MICHAEL'S SCHOOL: A Lay Chaplain is wanted to support students at the school. The closing date for applications is 28th February 2025. See notice in Porch for details.

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/>)

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE This year's Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham will take place on Saturday 14 June, beginning with Mass at the Shrine at 12.00 noon, followed by lunch and at 3pm the pilgrims process along the Holy Mile to conclude with the final service in the Priory grounds.

PILGRIMAGES 2025

ROME & ASSISI 27 March-3 April 2025 A Pilgrimage for the Jubilee Year, with 5 nights in Rome and 2 in Assisi. Details from www.northamptondiocese.org/pilgrimage

UGANDA 31 May-5 June Visit the sites associated with the Ugandan Martyrs at a cost of £1700. For more information see noticeboard.

ITALY 27-31 March 2025 to sites associated with St Scholastica, St Benedict, St Pio of Pietrelcina and St Michael. All for £890. For more information see noticeboard or call Clare at Gold Star Pilgrimages 07980 481845.

TURKEY 23-29 April 2025 For £980 this pilgrimage takes you to Ephesus, Laodicea and Philadelphia among other ancient Christian sites. For more information, see noticeboard, or call Clare at Gold Star Pilgrimages on 07980 481845.

BURGUNDY 19-24 October 2025 With Bishop David and Canon John Udris this pilgrimage will be based at Paray-le-Monial where St Margaret Mary lived and received her visions of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Those taking part will also visit the burial place of St Bernadette at Nevers, Ars-sur-Formans where St John Vianney lived and worked and the famous places of prayer at Cluny and Taize. From £1695 including flights, breakfast and dinner. For further information and bookings go to www.jcjournneys.com/fnd-lyons.

OTHER

RETRouvaille: A programme of hope helping couples to heal and/or renew their marriages. Find out more at www.retrouvaille.org.uk

STARLIGHT EXPRESS On Sunday 27th April there will be a coach from West Wycombe or Cressex to the Troubadour Wembley Park Theatre to a 5.30pm performance of this Musical. Group discounted tickets at £52 and cost of coach will depend on numbers. For more details contact Michele on 07795 680253 or email machoddy@gmail.com

DIARY OF EVENTS

5 March – Ash Wednesday

15-21 March – Lenten Mission with Fr Errol.

20 April – Easter Sunday

22 April (StAug) 'Food Poverty

14 June – Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham

+Useful Websites:

<https://northamptondiocese.org>

<http://www.catholicreadings.org>

<http://www.heavensroadfm.com>

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

ITEMS FOR NEWSLETTER should be sent to Fr Jonathan or to the Parish Office at St Augustine's since at present the Parish Office at St Wulstan's is not staffed.

Likewise with Telephone Calls