



High Wycombe Catholic Parishes

2nd Sunday of Easter [C]

27 April 2025



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Morning Prayer 9.15am before 9.30 weekday Mass

MASS INTENTIONS & TIMES

Saturday 26 April –

9.15am (StAug) – Morning Prayer

9.30am (StAug) – Requiem for Pope Francis

5.00pm (OLG) – Vigil Mass

Sunday 27 April- 2nd Sunday of Easter [C]

9am (StAug)- Michael Twist RIP

9am (SW) –

11am (StAug) – Josephine & Jeremiah Buckley

11am (OLG) – Kate Macklin RIP

6.00pm (StAug) – People of the Parish

Monday 28 April – ST GEORGE, Patron of England

9.30am (StAug) –

Tuesday 29 April – *St Catherine of Siena*

10.00am (SW) – Sebastian & Veronica Yemane

Wednesday 30 April – *St Pius V.*

9.30am (StAug) – James Young RIP

Thursday 1 May – *St Joseph the Worker*

7.00pm (OLG) – Tom Mulvahill RIP

Friday 2 May – *St Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor*

10.00am (SW) – James & Patrick Hanbury RIP

Saturday 3 May – *SS Philip & James, Apostles*

9.30am (StAug) –

5.00pm (OLG) - Vigil Mass

Sunday 27 April – 3rd Sunday of Easter [C]

9am (StAug) –

9am (SW) – People of the Parish

11am (StAug) – James Varley

11am (OLG) –

6.00pm (StAug) – Doris Braganza (Int)

1st Reading (Sunday): Acts 5:12-16

Psalm (Sunday): Ps.118:2-4, 22-27 R/v.1

2nd Reading (Sunday): Revelation 1:9-13, 17-19

Gospel (Sunday): John 20:19-31

Psalm response:

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

Gospel Acclamation (Sunday)

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

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

BAPTISMS: Seraphine Eddison (OLG), Leo Talbot (StAug)

CONFESSIONS:

St Augustine's

St Wulstan's

Saturday 10.15-11am

Saturday 11.30am-12

Our Lady of Grace Thursday 6.30-7pm

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

TEA AND COFFEE after Mass and just a little time to socialise! After 11.00 at St Augustine's and the morning Masses at St John Henry Newman.



ALSO after Thursday Mass at St Augustine's and after Mass at St Wulstan's on the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

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: 2nd Collections not yet counted.

+Standing Orders of £696

St John Henry Newman:

Wycombe Homeless 225.40

Holy Places 225.40

JHN 200 club winner: Mrs B Russell (148)

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.

PRAYER GROUP at St Augustine's:

28th April – Zoom 8pm

5th May – No Meeting

12th May – Upper Room 7.30pm

19th May – Zoom 8pm

For Zoom details please contact Deacon Brin.



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 Fr** 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)

May 7	Pauline & Tony
May 14	Winston & Prem
May 24	Valentina & Kennedy
May 28	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.

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.

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

JULIAN MEETINGS Our next meeting will be on Sunday 18th May 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.

EMMAUS: Opening the Scriptures This very popular series of talks continues at St Aidan's, Little Chalfont HP7 9NE on 7th May at the usual time of 7.30-9.00 in the evening. Fr Anton Webb will be speaking on 'I was in prison and you visited me.' (Mt.25:36 To register contact

www.stjosephs.org.uk/Emmaus You can also watch online at you.tube.com/@Emmaussouthbucks

FIRST FRUITS gardening project on 5 allotments. Volunteers wanted to help between 10.30am and 3.30pm on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month. Lunch provided. Info. From Dominic on 07754 051840.

KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA (KSC) Members are local men supporting the Catholic Church by working for the spiritual and material wellbeing of all, following Christ's example. If you would like to know more contact Paul Hogwood on 07740 812414 or at pjhogwood@btinternet.com

PASSOVER SEDER meal: Friday 2nd May 7pm OLG. Full dinner, with drinks and an explanation of its significance for Jews and for ourselves. £15 per head, bookings and payments to be made via Deacon Brin.

MANY THANKS for all your good wishes and cards for Easter, and for your generous Easter Offering.

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 in the Priory grounds.

PILGRIMAGES 2025

UGANDA 31 May-5 June Visit the sites associated with the Ugandan Martyrs at a cost of £1700. For more information see noticeboard or call Paul on 07551 105127.

KNOCK & CROAGH PATRICK 8-12 June 2025 Cost £799 (sharing) including flight with 10 kg Hold Luggage, 4 nights Dinner, Bed and Breakfast, entertainment and excursions. See poster in porch or contact Patricia on 01268 762278 or 07740 175 557 or send an email to knockpilgrimages@gmail.com

WALSINGHAM: Catholic Association Pilgrimage **22-29 August**. For information call 01732 886666

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

Death of Pope Francis

Official Statement from Bishop David Oakley

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

With deep sorrow we receive the news of the passing of our Holy Father, Pope Francis. His life was a testament to the Gospel's call to mercy, justice and love, lived out in solidarity with the poor, the forgotten and all those on the peripheries of society. His heart was always open to those who felt lost or excluded, reminding us that the Church is not a fortress but a home where all are welcomed, listened to and valued.

Pope Francis called us to journey together, shaping a Church that walks with the wounded, discerns with the faithful and serves with humility. He showed us what it means to be a truly synodal people – seeking the voice of the Spirit in communion with one another, always attentive to those the world so often overlooks. His vision of the Church was one of encounter and accompaniment, where God's mercy reaches every heart longing for hope. *Evangelii*

Gaudium is such an inspiration for the would-be missionary disciple in a parish that seeks its true identity.

I was privileged to meet Pope Francis in September 2022 when I joined fellow newly appointed bishops in Rome for a time of formation and prayer. The Holy Father spent two and a half hours answering our questions, speaking with remarkable openness and fatherly wisdom, encouraging us to be shepherds who walk closely with our people, always prioritising those most in need.

As we grieve his passing we also give thanks for his prophetic witness and the way he led us deeper into the love of Christ. I invite all in the Diocese of Northampton to gather in prayer, offering Masses, Rosaries and personal intercessions for the repose of his soul. May we continue his legacy by building a Church that listens, loves and walks with all God's people.

May the Lord whom he served so faithfully now welcome him into the fullness of His kingdom. May Our Lady, Mother of the Church, intercede for him and for us all.

Eternal rest, grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

In Christ
+David Oakley, Bishop of Northampton.

NATIONAL SHRINE OF ST JUDE. 31 May 2025 at Faversham in Kent. A day with the Carmelites beginning at 11.00 with Devotions and in the afternoon Mass and a procession to the Shrine. See poster for more information.

CALENDAR

14 June – Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham
12 July - Confirmation

+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.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

To Deacon Brin and to Marian as they celebrate the Silver Jubilee of their Wedding, in this Year of Jubilee.