

Sacred Heart Parish and

Diocesan Shrine & Parish of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

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Sacred Heart = SH Our Lady's = OL

15th/16 February 2025

Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday	OL	9.30am	Our Lady	Private Intention
	SH	5.30pm	Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time	Mark Cooke R.I.P.
Sunday	OL	9.15am	Year C	John Pacheco R.I.P.
16 th Feb	SH	10.30am		Patricia O'Reilly R.I.P.
Monday	SH	9.30am		Brenda Lillian Bailey R.I.P.
Tuesday	OL	9.30am		Edith Alexander (Foundation Mass)
Wednesday	SH	9.30am		Tony O'Connor R.I.P. (Birthday)
Thursday	OL	9.30am		Teresa Gatens R.I.P.
Friday	SH	9.30am		Thomas Francis R.I.P.
Saturday	OL	9.30am	Feast of The Chair of St. Peter	People of the parishes
	SH	5.30pm	Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time	John Flattery R.I.P.
Sunday	OL	9.15am	Year C	In honour of St. Anna & John the Baptist
23 rd Feb	SH	10.30am		Sean O'Reilly R.I.P.

Confessions. Confessions will be on Saturdays, at Our Lady's from 10am-10.30am and at Sacred Heart from 4.45pm-5.15pm.

Events at our churches. Our Lady's: Tuesdays 1-2pm: Parish Prayer Time.

Wednesdays from 2pm - 3pm: Rosary & Exposition.

Thursdays 1-2pm: Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour. 7pm: Divine Will prayer group. 1st Thursday of the month is via Zoom.

Saturdays after 9.30am Mass – 12noon: Exposition.

Daily 9am before Mass (except Sunday): Rosary.

Sacred Heart: Exposition: Saturdays from 4.45pm - 5.15pm. Exposition on Monday is postponed until further notice.

The Net Charismatic Prayer Group: first and third Wednesday of the month 7.30pm - 9pm.

Anniversaries: John Pacheco, Jack Best, Elizabeth Gleeson, Felix Doran, Kathleen Houghton, Deborah Lewin, Ellen Dunton, Berry Walsh, Henry Thomas, Ivy Sheridan, Rita Kelly. **R.I.P.**

Please pray for all our recently deceased. Irena Solujan, Siobhan Smith, Hughie McCluskey, Paddy Walsh, Irene Kennedy, Mary Leahy, Kevin Edwards, Paul Craven, Ronald Longrigg, Roger Mistin, Willie Lynch.

Please pray for all our sick.

Pope Francis' Special Intention. For vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

Next week's retiring collection. Mission appeal by The Congregation of the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, the Mother of Christ.

Help needed. We have a family who is in desperate need of accommodation. Minimum of two bedrooms required. Please contact Lorraine in the parish office if you are able to help.

Youth SVP Project. On Sunday 16th February after our 10.30am mass at the Sacred Heart, Sheila will talk to us about our Youth SVP Project. Sheila will invite you (18 to 25 year olds) to a meeting the following Sunday (23rd Feb) after 10.30am mass to discuss this very exciting project in the church hall. If you are interested, please try to come along and as the Old SVP say, Let's put faith into action!

First Saturday of every month, devotion in reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Saturday 1st March at the Shrine, Mass at 9.30am, followed by Adoration, Confession until 10.30am, Meditation on one of the mysteries of the Rosary, and recitation of the Rosary. For the salvation of souls and peace in the world. Devotion concludes at 10.30am. Adoration until 12noon.

Tea & Coffee at Sacred Heart. Refreshments after 10.30am Mass continues every Sunday in the church hall. Everyone is very welcome to come along and join in with coffee, cake and chat.

Sacred Heart SVP Community Pop-in (Warm Spaces). Every Thursday, 10.30am – 2pm. Pop in for a chat, a cup of tea or something to eat. Why not come and join us?



Our Lady's Confirmation Classes 2025. Young people in Year 7 and above wishing to be Confirmed should please attend, with their parents/carers, the registration sessions after the 9.15am Mass at Our Lady's on Sunday 2nd or Sunday 9th March. The Confirmation preparation classes at Our Lady's, Great Billing will begin on 30th March after the 9.15am Mass. There will be 7 sessions at Our Lady's details to be given at registration. There will also be three compulsory classes at St Gregory's on Saturdays 26th April, 24th May and 28th June leading to Confirmation at the beginning of September. If you are a parent/carer of a young person hoping to make their Confirmation this year, or if you attend Mass at Our Lady's and could spare a little time, your help would be much appreciated as I will require another adult to be around during the 40-minute sessions at Our Lady's. No catechesis experience is required, but you will need to have a chat with Lorraine, our Parish Safeguarding Representative, a DBS check and to have completed a 60-90 minute online Safeguarding course. If interested, please speak to Miriam after Mass at Our Lady's or email confirmationsacredheartwf@gmail.com Thank you.

Divine Will prayer group. The Divine Will prayer group will take place via zoom on the first Thursday of every month at 7pm. The remaining Thursdays of the month it will be at Our Lady's in Great Billing at 7pm. All are welcome. Those who want to join the zoom meeting please message Mark on 07724 337196.

Caritas Northampton. 'Where we are in our pastoral care'. You are invited to join us for a presentation and discussion on social outreach and social needs within our area. With Brian Emmanuel at St. Gregory's parish. The second session will be on 17th February at 7.30pm. Refreshments will be provided. Entry is free however seats are limited, so please contact Lorraine at the Sacred Heart parish office to book your place early.

Billing Parish Council - Coffee morning. 17th February 10am - 12pm at the Bernard Weston Pavilion, Penfold Lane, Great Billing, Northampton, NN3 9EF. Join us for a delightful morning of coffee, conversation, and community! Everyone is welcome.

You Can Help Your Marriage – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped because it only makes it worse? Retrouvaille has helped 10s of 1000s of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about the next programme which will be presented on Zoom. 27th February – 2nd March. Email:info@retrouvaille.org.uk Call or text 0788 7296983. www.retrouvaille.org.uk

Exploring Safeguarding. Join our Called & Equipped group as we take a look at safeguarding and what it means for ourselves and our parishes. This is an opportunity for those in parish ministries to get a better understanding of safeguarding from our diocesan safeguarding team, Danielle Dixon and Laura Lester. The venue is Holy Ghost Church, Luton on Saturday 8 March from 10am-1pm. Previous groups have found the presentation very inspiring and the best safeguarding training they have ever received. Sign up at https://www.tickettailor.com/events/northamptondiocese/1544289

Changes to Safeguarding processes. As a Church we have a responsibility to ensure that all those who undertake work in the name of the Church are adequately trained in safeguarding matters. Nationally, there are new expectations that all volunteers complete safeguarding training every 3 years and as a diocese and parish, it is our role to adhere to this requirement. All new volunteers are expected to have completed the new safeguarding training PRIOR to their commencement in role. All new volunteers will be expected to have completed the training before the point of their next DBS renewal. You can do this at any point before your DBS renewal. This is a mandatory requirement and non-negotiable, however, there are many benefits of increased understanding and confidence around safeguarding. Lorraine, our Parish Safeguarding Representative, will guide you through the process and hopefully make it as straightforward as possible. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Lorraine in the parish office.

A Time to Listen. "There is a need and duty for us to listen to those who have been hurt by abuse and are suffering. It is humbling for me as the Bishop to listen to victims and survivors. We know the devastation which abuse has on someone's life". Bishop David Oakley Bishop David is available to meet with anyone affected by abuse, as a victim, survivor, their families or supporters, where private discussions can take place in a safe and non-judgmental environment. These meetings can be arranged at a location of your choice and you are also welcome to be accompanied by a support person. Contact Danielle, our Safeguarding Coordinator on 01604 723514 or safeguarding@northamptondiocese.org Support is offered before, during and after appointments.

Parish Registration: As of 1st January 2025, we will not be holding any data in our parishes unless it is held within CASPAR. Therefore, we are asking all parishioners to follow the link or QR code (scan with your phone's camera) and sign up.

Our Lady's: www.caspar.church/me?ID=56012 Sacred Heart: www.caspar.church/me?ID=56062

Please note that if you would like to receive the newsletter by email on Fridays, you must be registered with CASPAR.

Sacred Heart:



Our Lady's:

