



CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF NORTHAMPTON

**OUR LADY IMMACULATE AND ST. ETHELBERT'S PARISH
WELLINGTON STREET, SLOUGH, SL1 1XU**



The Parish is Served by Missionaries of St. Paul – Ambassadors for Christ

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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR -B

We welcome all to today's Mass, especially visitors and friends who are celebrating with us.

Mass Times and Intentions this Week

SUN 05/09/2021 MASS: 9am , Andrew & Amelia Pereira –RIP, Betty Braganza, Judy Fernandes 11.00 am Ian Zac Khan (good health), Lawrence – Special intention 6.30pm : Miss Maria Martins – Thanksgiving , Lourence Cardozo - 60 th birthday Thanksgiving	
MON 6/9/21: MASS 9.30 am : Rose McErlene- thkgvg , Judy Fernandes , Javier Rubis –Healing	TUES. 7/9/21: Funeral Mass – Marie Calisse 12.00 Noon.
WED. MASS - 9.30 am Birthdays of Blessed Virgin Mary - Feast	THURS. No Mass (<i>Office Hours – Church is open</i>)
FRI. Adoration at 11.30 & MASS at 12.30pm	SAT. No Mass
SUN 12/09/2021 MASS 9am : Francis Richardson –Healing 11.00 am and 6.30pm:- People of the Parish	

MINISTRIES:

Readers for today

9 am Mass : K Shaw
11amMass: : L Adoh, E ketter
6.30 pm: Simon M, Grace

Next Sunday

9am Mass: J McNiece
11amMass: K Adoh, L Wedji
6.30pmMass: Olivia G, Sr.Susan

Eucharistic Ministers today

9am Mass:, A Nyanhete- S, Sr. Nicholas
11am Mass: J Idigo, J Mbulo
6.30pm Mass:

Next Sunday Eucharistic Ministers

9am Mass: A Sheehy, M Almeida
11am Mass: J Idigo, J Mbulo
6.30pm Mass:

Collection Last Week:

Loose cash £683.00
Env: £147.50

**Thank you for your generous giving.
We thank those supporting the
Church by Standing Order or paying
directly to:**

*R.C.D.N St. Ethelbert Catholic Church
Slough A/C 46714642 Sc 600611.*

God bless and reward all.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY MASS TIMES: 9.00am, 11.00am and 6.30pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 9.30am. FRIDAY 12.30pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENEDICTION: Friday 12.00 – 12.30pm

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN: First Saturday of the Month 2.30pm

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021: Preparation from September/October onwards

CONFIRMATION 2021: Preparation from September onwards, meeting in the Church.

RCIA - SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION: Preparation from Sept, meeting in the Church

WEDDING: By appointment with the Parish Priest (Five months' notice is required).

FUNERAL: By arrangement with the Parish Priest.

RECONCILIATION/COUNSELING: First & last Sat. of the month 11.00am -12.30pm

VISITATION TO THE SICK: by arrangement with the Priest during Office Hours.

MASS REQUEST/BOOKING: Envelopes are available in the Church (*write your intention, and please hand to the Priest or place in presbytery letterbox*).

HOSPITALITY MINISTRY: Welcoming New Parishioners/Visitors: Every Sunday.

SIGNING OF SCHOOL FORMS/DOCUMENTS: Contact the Priest on Office Days.

CHURCH CLEANING AND UPKEEP: Monday after Mass, & Saturday, pls help.

PIETY SHOP/REPOSITORY: Sunday after Mass (at the back of the Church).

CHURCH MEETINGS: As announced in the Bulletin, p/s arrange with the Priest.

BLESSINGS:

FOR THE WORKING WEEK – MONDAY (after 9.30 Mass).

FOR THE WEEKEND – FRIDAY (at the end of Mass)

FOR BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS: First & Last Sunday of the Month.

HOLY WATER, RELIGIOUS ITEMS, VEHICLES, ETC.: Contact the Priest after Mass.

CHILD DEDICATION & BLESSING AFTER BAPTISM: First Sunday of the Month.

THANKSGIVING MASS FOR SPECIAL EVENTS: Contact the Parish Priest for booking.

FAMILY OFFERTORY PROCESSION: To resume in September.

PRIEST'S DAY OFF: MONDAY (PP NOT AVAILABLE)

PRIEST'S OFFICE DAYS/HOURS: TUES. & THUR. 11am – 12.30 & 5.30- 6.30pm

The Priest is available to meet Parishioners on office days, No prior appointment.

Please wear a face mask in Church and office, except if you are exempt.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

BIDDING PRAYERS:

Reader: Father, in our deafness we pray:

Response (All): **open our ears to hear you**

Please Pray for: the Sick and Housebound Parishioners.

Those who died recently and all departed parishioners - RIP.

SUNDAY READINGS:

First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7

Say to all faint hearts, 'Courage! Do not be afraid. Look, your God is coming, vengeance is coming, the retribution of God; he is coming to save you. 'Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, the ears of the deaf unsealed, then the lame shall leap like a deer and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy; for water gushes in the desert, streams in the wasteland, the scorched earth becomes a lake, the parched land springs of water.' **The Word of the Lord**

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 145(146) My soul, give praise to the Lord.

Second Reading: James 2:1-5

My brothers do not try to combine faith in Jesus Christ, our glorified Lord, with the making of distinctions between classes of people. Now suppose a man comes into your synagogue, beautifully dressed and with a gold ring on, and at the same time a poor man comes in, in shabby clothes, and you take notice of the well-dressed man, and say, 'Come this way to the best seats'; then you tell the poor man, 'Stand over there' or 'You can sit on the floor by my foot-rest.' Can't you see that you have used two different standards in your mind, and turned yourselves into judges, and corrupt judges at that?

Listen, my dear brothers: it was those who are poor according to the world that God chose, to be rich in faith and to be the heirs to the kingdom which he promised to those who love him. **The Word of the Lord.**

Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

Returning from the district of Tyre, Jesus went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, right through the Decapolis region. And they brought him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they asked him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, put his fingers into the man's ears and touched his tongue with spittle. Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, 'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened.' And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. 'He has done all things well,' they said 'he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.' **The Gospel of the Lord.**

Sunday Gospel and Life: JESUS HAS DONE ALL THINGS WELL

In our celebration today, we see Jesus Christ doing all things well: healing the sick, loosening the tongue of a man who could not speak properly. Hence Jesus Christ is the fulfilment of the prophecy of Isaiah about the coming of the Messiah. We are fortunate to live now in the times of the Messiah. Let us imitate him in doing good.

Wishing all Parishioners and Friends Happy Sunday! – Fr Francis

CHURCH NOTICES

The Meeting with PPC and the Liturgical Groups in the Parish was successful: We Thank the groups and their leaders. We need Volunteers to join Ushers, Children's liturgy teachers, Readers, Communion Ministers, etc. & to Join Parish Liturgy team, Care/welfare team, Social & Evangelisation team, Church maintenance and refurbishment team & Special Project/fundraising team.

18th/19th September is Home Mission Sunday: We would like to welcome all parishioners back to Mass, assuring everyone of a safe environment of worship. Please join us to keep the Church premises clean and tidy and pass on the message that we are fully back to the celebration of Sunday Mass. Thank you.

TV screens to Improve Worship in the Parish: We thank our generous parishioners, families, groups, and individuals who have responded to our appeal. We are deeply grateful. We will acknowledge and pray for all donors. Work is in progress and may the Lord grant success to the work of our hands.

Preparation for Confirmation and RCIA: Will begin this month. Candidates, Parents and Teachers will meet in the Church on Saturday 25th September 2021 at 10.30am Please attend.

Police Recruitment: Thames Valley Police, interested persons should apply. Details on the notice board.