

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF NORTHAMPTON
OUR LADY IMMACULATE AND ST. ETHELBERT'S PARISH, SLOUGH, SL1 1XU

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NINETEENTH 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 08/08/2021 MASS: 9am, Chukwudi Anyaegbu (RIP), Marguerite Byrne RIP & Jim's intention, Ryan Lourenco (Thanksgiving), 11.00 am Marie Judith Calisse (RIP), Constance – Birthday Thkgiving, long life & peace, Fr George Plappallil (RIP). Fr Joe Edem (RIP). 6.30pm: Joaquim Rodrigues, Jose Manuel & Maria Antao Rodrigues	
MON. MASS - 9.30 am Rose McErlean, Philomena Eyo RIP	TUES. No Mass (<i>Office Hours – Church is open</i>).
WED. MASS - 9.30 am Fr Joe Edem RIP, Gerard & Aszeriah	THURS. No Mass (<i>Office Hours – Church is open</i>)
FRI. Adoration at 12.00 & MASS at 12.30pm Judith Calisse	SAT. No Mass
SUN 15/08/2021 MASS: 9am, Valentino Iacobucci (RIP) 11.00 am and 6.30pm: People of the Parish	

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: Registration is on, preparation from October onwards
CONFIRMATION 2021: Registration is on – contact the Priest after Sunday Mass.
RCIA - SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION: Contact the Parish Priest on office days.
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: During Sunday Mass.
SIGNING OF SCHOOL FORMS/DOCUMENTS: Contact the Priest on Office Days.
CHURCH CLEANING AND UPKEEP: Monday after Mass, & Saturday, pls help.
PIETY/BOOKSHOP: Sunday after Mass (Back of the Church).
CHURCH MEETINGS: As announced in the Newsletter, contact the Parish 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.
PRIEST'S OFFICE DAYS/HOURS - TUES. AND THUR. 11am – 12.30 & 5.30- 6.30pm
 The Priest is available to meet parishioners during office hours on Church/faith related matters.
Please wear a face mask in Church and office, except if you are exempt

MINISTRIES:

Readers for today

9 am Mass : M Almeida
 11am Mass: : J Megawane, L Iwu
 6.30 pm: Grace O, Simon M

Next Sunday

9am Mass: R Dias
 11am Mass: M Cheturai, L Adoh
 6.30pm Mass: Olivia G, Sr. Susan M

Eucharistic Ministers today

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

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

Collection last Week:

Loose cash £ 604.00
 Envelopes. £.337.50

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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 Apostles' 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: **Where does love come from?**

Response (All): **Love comes down from above .**

Please Pray for: the Sick and Housebound Parishioners. Those who died recently and all departed parishioners - RIP.

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:4-8

Elijah went into the wilderness, a day's journey, and sitting under a furze bush wished he were dead. 'O Lord,' he said 'I have had enough. Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors.' Then he lay down and went to sleep. But an angel touched him and said, 'Get up and eat.' He looked round, and there at his head was a scone baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again. But the angel of the Lord came back a second time and touched him and said, 'Get up and eat, or the journey will be too long for you.' So he got up and ate and drank, and strengthened by that food he walked for forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God. **The Word of the Lord.**

Responsorial Psalm – Ps. 33(34):2-9 Taste and see that the Lord is good.Second

Reading: Ephesians 4:30-5:2

Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God who has marked you with his seal for you to be set free when the day comes. Never have grudges against others, or lose your temper, or raise your voice to anybody, or call each other names, or allow any sort of spitefulness. Be friends with one another, and kind, forgiving each other as readily as God forgave you in Christ. Try, then, to imitate God as children of his that he loves and follow Christ loving as he loved you, giving himself up in our place as a fragrant offering and a sacrifice to God. **The Word of the Lord.**

Gospel: John 6:41-51

The Jews were complaining to each other about Jesus, because he had said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' 'Surely this is Jesus son of Joseph' they said. 'We know his father and mother. How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus said in reply, 'Stop complaining to each other. 'No one can come to me. unless he is drawn by the Father who sent me, and I will raise him up at the last day. It is written in the prophets: *They will all be taught by God,* and to hear the teaching of the Father, and learn from it, is to come to me. Not that anybody has seen the Father, except the one who comes from God: he has seen the Father. I tell you most solemnly, everybody who believes has eternal life. 'I am the bread of life. Your fathers ate the manna in the desert and they are dead; but this is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that a man may eat it and not die. I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.' **The Gospel of the Lord.**

Sunday Gospel and Life: Christ, Food and Drink for our Journey

Our life is like a long journey over mountains and hills. Sometimes the road is easy, sometimes difficult. We need food and water on every journey to sustain us. In our spiritual journey, Jesus Christ offers us **the food and drink that we need. He tells us: 'I am the living bread.'** Christ strengthens us when we have become weak. Do we invite Jesus Christ to join us on our journey through life? Do we find consolation and Strength in God's Word?

Wishing all Parishioners and Friends Happy Sunday! – Fr Francis

Church Notices:

Next Sunday is the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, please come let's celebrate!

We Congratulate the newly Baptised Children, their parents and God parents.

Sacraments: Forms are available in the Church for those who would like to register for baptism,

Holy Communion, Confirmation and RCIA. Children in Year 3 and who are 7 years old and above can register for First Holy Communion; Confirmation - 13/14 years can apply.

Welcome People Back to Church on Sept 19th Home Mission Sunday. We would like to formally welcome parishioners and encourage full return to Mass and Church activities. Join us to mark the day!

Thank you all who have contributed to make this Mass a wonderful celebration. God bless all.