

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



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ELEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (B)

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

Mass Times & Intentions this Week

SUN 13/06/2021 MASS 9am: Special intention Anne & family. MASS 11.00 am: Simao's Family - P.S. Norberto, P.S. Matheus, Piedade Coutinho, P. Simao RIP. Thanksgiving Jesus & Mary. MASS 6.30pm: People of the Parish.	
MON. MASS - 9.30 am. Citalina Fernandes - RIP	TUES. No Mass
WED. MASS - 9.30 am Judith Pereira - RIP	THURS. No Mass
FRI. Adoration at 12.00 & MASS at 12.30pm: Fr Emilio Lobo RIP Philomena Eyo RIP	SAT. No Mass
SUN 20/06/2021 MASS: 9am, 11.00 am and 6.30pm: People of the Parish	

Psalter Week 3

MINISTRIES:

Readers for today

9 am Mass: M Almeida
11am Mass: L Wedji, A Ismail
6.30 pm: Onyewuchi_

Next Sunday

9am Mass: J Mcniece
11am Mass: O Iwu, J Mbulo
6.30pm Mass: A Fernandes

Eucharistic Ministers today

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

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6.30pm Mass:

Collection:

30/5/21 Loose cash £677
Envelopes. £113.
06/06/21 Loose cash: £596.00
Envelopes: £254.00

Next Sunday: 2nd Collection –
Day for Life

*Thank you for your generous
giving, May God bless all.*

You can also support the Parish by Standing Order or Pay to: R.C.D.N St. Ethelbert Catholic Church Slough A/C 46714642, SC 600611. Thank you and remain blessed.

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 3.00pm

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

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.

CHILD DEEDICATION & 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.

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

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

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, & as announced (pls help).

PIETY/BOOKSHOP: Sunday after Mass (Back of the Church).

CHURCH MEETINGS: As announced in the Newsletter, please contact the Parish Priest.

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 see parishioners during office hours on Church/faith related matters.

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

Readings &

Reflection for 11th Sunday

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 PRAYER:

Reader: *We proclaim your love in the morning.*

Response (All): **and your faithfulness through the night.**

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

First Reading – [Ezekiel 17:22-24](#): The Lord says this:

From the top of the cedar, from the highest branch I will take a shoot and plant it myself on a very high mountain. I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel. It will sprout branches and bear fruit and become a noble cedar. Every kind of bird will live beneath it, every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches. And every tree of the field will learn that I, the Lord, am the one who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones grow, who withers green trees and makes the withered green. I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.' **The Word of the Lord.**

Responsorial Psalm – [Psalm 92](#): It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.

Second Reading – [2 Corinthians 5:6-10](#): We are always full of confidence when we remember that to live in the body means to be exiled from the Lord, going as we do by faith and not by sight – we are full of confidence, I say, and actually want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord. Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be brought out in the law court of Christ, and each of us will get what he deserves for the things he did in the body, good or bad. **The Word of the Lord**

Gospel – [Mark 4:26-34](#): Jesus said to the crowds: 'This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing; how, he does not know. Of its own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no time: he starts to reap because the harvest has come.' He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.' Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone. **The Gospel of the Lord.**

Sunday Gospel and Life: Standing on the Promises of God.

The Mission of Jesus was to set up the reign or the Kingdom of God, and to defeat evil and the rule of Satan, setting people free to worship and serve the true God with joy. Jesus uses parables to instruct the people about the reign of God. Our God reigns in the hearts of people. The people of God are the living signs of the Kingdom of God in the world. Though our faith may look small, the people planted in God through faith in Jesus Christ can grow bigger and stronger in their faith, hope, love, and generosity, bearing the fruits of the Kingdom. Jesus tells us that God is generous, and faithful to his promises to share with us the blessings of His Kingdom. The Kingdom is rich with everything we need. God entrusts his gifts and grace to each of us and gives us the job to do in His Church, which is the sign of the Kingdom in the world. Do we follow and serve the Lord Jesus, with joyful hope and confidence?

Church Notices: **Baptism** will take place on 3rd July 2021; parents are invited to attend pre baptism instruction on 26th June at 12.30pm in the Church.

Wedding: if you are planning to have a wedding, please speak with the priest.

Appreciation: Fr Francis would like to thank the Priests, Religious Sisters and Parishioners for their prayers and support during the funeral of his mother. May God bless and reward you.

Gift Aid Envelopes are at the back of the Church for you to gift aid your offertory any time you are in Mass. Kindly collect yours. Please contact John if you require any further information.