



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

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR B

Mass Times & Mass Intentions this Week

SUNDAY 21/3/2021 MASS: 9am - Philomena Fernandez, Frank Fernandes, Leon Rodrigues, Jose Gloria Colaca (RIP), Xavier Fernandes (RIP), Teresa Fernandes (intention) 11.00 am Philomina Eyo (RIP) 6.30pm: People of the Parish	
MON. : MASS - 9.30 am Angelina Fernandes RIP, Special intention	TUES. No Mass
WED. ADORATION - 9am & MASS - 9.30 am: Maria Fernandes Bthdy, Fr. George Plappallil Annv RIP, Pap John Williams (RIP), Karen J De Melo	THURS. No Mass
FRI. Stations of the Cross - 12:00 & MASS - 12.30pm	SAT. Confession/Counseling - 10.30 - 12.30PM
SUN 28/3/2021 MASS: 9am - 11.00 am Marve Brown	6.30pm: People of the Parish

Readers for today

9 am Mass: G. Dias
 11am Mass: E Ketter, L Adoh,
 6.30pm Mass: A Fernandes

Next Sunday

9am Mass: J Mcniece
 11am Mass: S Marrariomba, R
 Dias 6.30pm Mass: Sr. Susan

Eucharistic Ministers today

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

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Family Offertory Procession

On hold

Last Sunday's Collection.

Envelopes: £18 1.50
 Loose cash: £593.50

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. Remain blessed.

BIDDING PRAYERS

Reader: Your love never fails, dear God,
Response: you love us with an everlasting love.

CHURCH NOTICES

We welcome our parishioners, friends, visitors. Thank you for supporting the Parish.
 The Mother of Fr Francis, **Lady Philomina Eyo** passed away to eternal glory on 15/03/21. May her soul rest in peace. Please pray for the repose of her soul and consolation of the family. Fr Francis is grateful for the support he is receiving from Parishioners and friends. Thank you to all who attended the Liturgy meeting in preparation for Easter.
 28/3/21 Palm Sunday: Normal Mass times. Blessing of Palms, a palm to be placed on each seating area before Mass.
 01/4/21 Maundy Thursday Mass: 7.00pm.
 02/4/21 Good Friday Service of the Cross: 3.00pm
 03/4/21 Easter Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection: 9.00pm
 04/4/21 Easter Sunday Mass: 9.00am and 11.00am. No Mass at 6.30 pm.
We thank our Parish Cleaning Team & Volunteers, and all who have made the Sunday Mass a wonderful celebration. God bless all.

OUR SUNDAY GOSPEL AND LIFE – JOHN 12:20-33
PASTORAL LETTER FROM BISHOP DAVID OF NORTHAMPTON DIOCESE

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, Today we hear Jesus say these words, 'Now the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified'. Our Lord is not stumbling towards the events of Holy Week, but resolutely responding to his heavenly Father's will. He knows that 'unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest.' Within this simple agricultural image, there is a dying and a profoundly new fruitful life. Perhaps we are used to the idea that God saved us through the Paschal Mystery ... But what does this means for us today? ... Do we know in our hearts, experience of sharing in the new life Jesus has won for us? We are redeemed by the blood of Christ! This means our Saviour has paid a price for us.

We recognise our human weakness, but then tell ourselves there is little to be done about the state we find ourselves in. ... The cross is God's weapon against our fallen human nature. The Lord never gave up on us, and saving grace has real power to work in every situation of our lives. Jesus nails to the cross all our sins. And since this event, many have experience the power of Christ's sacrifice to change their everyday lives. The Cross has real authority to change real lives. The sacrifice of Christ's blood can also change communities and institutions, structures and organisations. The resurrection of Jesus has won new life for us....The apostle Paul puts the whole truth of Easter in these words, 'if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through the