



**OUR LADY IMMACULATE AND ST. ETHELBERT'S PARISH,
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Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)

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

SUN: 1/2/2026 MASS: 9:00am Fr. K. Sewyer RIP

MASS: 11.00am: Ann Ezonfade Special Int, Amalnath Peter birth of New Baby Eva - Thanksgiving

MASS: 6:30pm Souls in Purgatory

MON: 9.30am: Morning Prayer

Mass: 10.00am A. Macdonald RIP

TUES: 9.30am: Morning Prayer

Mass: 10.00am Blasio De Souza RIP

WED: Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 4pm – 6.30pm

MASS: 6.30pm: Luigi & Lucia Tosti RIP, Carlos Pereira RIP, Pereira & Da Costa Family RIP, Aaron Thanksgiving

THURS: 9.30am: Morning Prayer

Mass: 10.00am Nugent Family RIP

Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 10am – 1.00pm

FRIDAY: Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 10am – 12.30 pm

MASS: 12:30pm A. Macdonald RIP, **Holy Hour - Sung Adoration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus 7pm -8pm**

SATURDAY: 9.30am: Morning Prayer

Mass: 10.00am Destailleurs RIP

SUN: 8/2/2026 MASS: 9:00am

MASS: 11.00am: MASS: 6:30pm

CONFESSIONS: Available this week on, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday during the Exposition of the Holy Sacrament. Please contact Father at the Presbytery if you would like him to hear your confession during this period if he is not already in the confessional.

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK: THURSDAY 1pm until 7pm – Please come to the Presbytery with your enquiries.

MINISTRIES:

Readers for this Sunday, 1st Feb

9am Mass: Angel, Rainda, Anissa

11am Mass: Sandra M, Valentine, Cecilia JP.

6.30pm Mass:

Readers for Next Sunday, 8th Feb

9am Mass: Jemima, John McN, Jim B.

11am Mass: Lawrence A, Abeshey I, FHC Group

6.30pm Mass:

Eucharistic Ministers for this Sunday, 1st Feb

9am Mass: Millie A, Agness S, Natalina S.

11am Mass: Clara C, Dorothy, Jessicah M.

6.30pm Mass:

Next Sunday Eucharistic Ministers, 8th Feb

9am Mass: Alice S, Evelyn P, Sr. Pauline

11am Mass: Jessicah M, Cecilia JP, Rosemary M.

6.30pm Mass:

OFFERTORY PROCESSION

This Sunday:

9am:

11am: Vicky & Ellen

Next Sunday:

11am: First Holy Communion Group

Our Readings:

First Reading: Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13

I will leave in your midst a people humble and lowly.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps146(145): 6c-7. 8-9a.9b -10 R. Matthew 5:3

Blessed are the poor in spirit; for theirs is the kingdom of heaven

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

God chose what is weak in the world

Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12a

Blessed are the poor in spirit

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

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NOTICES: First Holy Communion Group: The First Holy Communion Group will meet on Saturday 31st January at 11am. The following meeting will be on Saturday, 7th February at 11am with a themed mass on Sunday 8th Feb at 11am.

Praise & Worship: Our monthly Praise and Worship which will take place on Friday, 30th January at 7pm – 9pm. All are welcome to this very special service. There will also be a practical demonstration of faith principles on **Saturday, 31st January at 6pm** ministered by Bro. Vincent Lisboa, all are welcome.

Adoration with Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus: On Friday, 6th February, we will have a Holy Hour at 7pm with sung Adoration. All are welcome.

Youth & Confirmation Group Meeting: The next youth meeting & **Confirmation Group** meeting will take place on Saturday, 7th February at 12.00pm.

Old Palms: In preparation for Ash Wednesday, please bring your old palms that you might have at home and put them in the box at the back of the church. These will be burnt and the ashes distributed on Ash Wednesday.

IMPORTANT Car Park Notice: We have been advised by the Car Park Company that we (St Ethelbert's) can no longer appeal on your behalf should you receive a car parking ticket. It is therefore very important that you ensure that you have a valid car park permit or if you visit the church, you enter your car registration number into the tablet at the back of the church. If you are using the car park for your private use i.e outside liturgical services it is your responsibility to ensure that you have registered your car. Thank you for your understanding.

Mass Intentions: If you would like to offer mass for an intention and by way of a gentle reminder, please ensure that your mass offering envelope is returned to us in advance i.e **7 working days** so that we are able to allocate the day requested. Any delay in timing can result in the mass being postponed for an alternate day.

Journey with Jesus through Lent: During Lent, the Pastoral Development Vicariate is offering you the opportunity for weekly online small-group sessions (various days & times are available) to help individuals deepen their relationship with Jesus through Scripture. Using St Beuno's Outreach Prego resources, each 45 minute session invites you to pray and reflect on Scripture for the coming Sunday. The programme runs once a week for six weeks, starting the week of 16 February. Sign up at <https://northamptondiocese.org/lenten-journey/>

Come and See – Discernment Day for Men

Are you a man who is wondering whether God may be calling you to the priesthood?

The Diocese warmly invites you to "Come and See" — a day of prayer, reflection, and questions for men who are thinking about or discerning a vocation to the priesthood.

Date: Saturday 28th March, 2026

Programme: A day including prayer, reflection, input on priestly vocation, and an open Q&A

Who is it for? Men who are exploring, questioning, or discerning a call to the priesthood.

Where? Our Lady of Christian and St Lawrence, Olney.

This day offers a relaxed and supportive opportunity to reflect on God's call, to learn more about priestly life, and to ask honest questions in a prayerful setting.

To register your interest or for more information, please contact: Fr Pius

Email: vocationsdirector@northamptondiocese.org **Tel:** 01753 523147

The Ascent: Are you 16-18 and looking to grow in your faith? Then you need to know about The Ascent. The Ascent is a one-of-a-kind process of discipleship run by volunteers across the UK for people in school years 10-12. It partners with organisations like NYMO to bring young people together to learn about their faith and grow in relationship with Jesus. There are three parts to the process:

3 residential weekends per year providing opportunities for teaching and formation in the Catholic faith, encounter with Jesus Christ, personal prayer, and envisioning of your next steps.

- Weekly 'PoDs' (Pockets of Disciples) which are small groups who meet together online for friendship and formation.
- Monthly 1:1 mentoring giving you a space to talk, process, and get support from a trained member of the team.

Contact NYMO (NYMO@northamptondiocese.com) or visit their website to find out more (nymo.org/the-ascent-2).

There are only 6 places left for the 2026 group so don't miss out!

LAST CALL for online marriage programme.

Does your marriage need some TLC? Need help with communication and trust? Retrouvaille helps marriages. It can bring hope and healing to relationships. Next date: 12th February 2026. www.retrouvaille.org.uk Tel: 07887 296983