

OUR LADY IMMACULATE AND ST. ETHELBERT'S PARISH, WELLINGTON STREET SLOUGH, SL1 1XU - REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 234091

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5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

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

Mass, Intentions and Other Services this Week

SUN 4/2/2024 MASS: 9:00am Luceta Maria Shaw RIP, Italian Community who died in 2023 RIP,

Mr & Mrs Jonah Anyaegbu RIP, Zach's 1st Birthday Pray for God's Blessings

11am 6:30pm: Eileen McGettrick RIP

MON: MASS: 9.30am: Morning Prayer Mass 10.00am: TUES: MASS: 9.30am: Morning Prayer Mass 10.00am:

WED MASS: Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 4pm – 6.30pm 6:30pm MASS

THURSDAY: 9:30am Morning Prayer Mass 10.00am:

Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 10.30am - 1 pm

FRIDAY: Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 10 am - 12.30 pm MASS: 12:30 pm

SATURDAY: Morning Prayer: 9:30am Mass: 10:00 am Silvano & Suvhdal Travasso Wedding Anniversary

SUN 11/2/2024 MASS: 9:00am Pereira Family & Friends **11am: 6:30pm:**

CONFESSIONS: Available on, Wednesday, Thursday and 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: THURSDAY 1pm until 7pm – Please come to the Presbytery with your enquiries.

MINISTRIES:

Readers for today

9am Mass: Daryl M, Kezia, Aleina

11am Mass: Youth Readers

6.30pm Mass

Readers for Next Sunday

9am Mass: Clare R, Millie A, Jim B.

11am Mass: Rosemary M, Lindsey W, Ellen K.

6.30pm Mass

Eucharistic Ministers today

9am Mass: Alice S, Jim B, John McN.

11am Mass: Clara C, Agness N, Sr. Therese O.

6.30pm Mass:

Next Sunday Eucharistic Ministers

9am Mass: Chris L, Natalina S, John McN.

11am Mass: Cecilia JP, John I, Jan M.

6.30pm Mass:

OFFERTORY PROCESSION

Sunday: 9am Michele & Ivana D'Uva

Next Sunday:

Our Readings for the Day

First Reading: Job 7:1-4,6-7

My life is but a breath

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 146(147):1-6

Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:16-19,22-23

I should be punished if I did not preach the Gospel

Gospel: Mark 1:29-39

He cast out devils and cured many who were suffering

from disease

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

St Ethelbert's Bank Details for Bank Transfers:

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Notices:

Welcome: Fr. Biju has now arrived and is settling down in his new surroundings. We would like to extend a warm welcome to him.

Old Palms: In preparation for Ash Wednesday, please bring any old palms 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.

Ash Wednesday: There will be mass at 10am and 6.30pm on Ash Wednesday, 14th February when ashes will also be distributed. It is a day of fast and abstinence.

Stations of the Cross: During lent we will have stations of the cross each Friday at 11.45pm (before mass). This will begin on Friday 16th February.

2024 Pilgrimage: We are hoping to have a 10-day Pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi and San Giovanni in October 2024 (subject to numbers). The dates are likely to be 21^{st} October -31^{st} October 2024, the cost £1250 sharing a room or £1500 for a single room. If you are interested in going please put your name and contact details down on the list at the back of the church.

Youth Mass: The youth mass is this Sunday, 4th February at 11am. Parents, please encourage your young ones to attend.

First Holy Communion Group:

The next meeting for the First Holy Communion group will take place on Saturday, 24th February at 10.30am with a themed mass on Sunday, 25th February at 11am. Parents, please ensure that your child attends both days and arrives in good time.

Confirmation Group: Please note that the Confirmation group will not have classes on 10th and 17th February but will resume on Saturday 24th February at the usual time.

Little Friends of Jesus (LFG): The Little Friends of Jesus will meet on Saturday, 10th February 2024 at 12.30pm. Parents, please bring your young children aged 1 year – 10 years to come and adore the Lord.

Children's Books Reading While in Church: We have books provided for young children to use while at mass on Sunday's which we are very grateful for. The plastic box containing these will be under the table at the back of the church. Parents, feel free to allow your child to use these during the service but please remember, these need to be returned to the plastic box before you leave the church and **must not** be taken home.

St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP): The next meeting for anyone interested will be on Thursday 8th Feb at 7.30 pm in Holy Redeemer Church Wexham Road, Slough SL2 5RQ. We hope to see you there. In the meantime, have a look on our website and YouTube channel for more information.

Pope's Prayer Intention: February has begun and again we pray with Pope Francis. You can pray though the Pope's video https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PVJNIDhLmYE
Or through the text https://northamptondiocese.org/pope-prayer-intention/

Life In The Spirit: Our diocese is organising a series of Life In The Spirit seminars. Beginning on Tuesday 16 April, the seminars are designed as an introduction to a life lived in the power of the Holy Spirit. Participants are welcome to join live at Northampton Cathedral or from one of the 'Hub' locations around the diocese. For more information visit https://northamptondiocese.org/life-in-the-spirit-seminars-2024/

Light up Lent 29th Feb – 7th March Light Up Lent is our diocesan Week of Accompanied Prayer, a retreat in everyday life. Begin or deepen your prayer life, get to know the Scriptures better, and above all, grow in faith and in love for the Lord who loves you. With one-to-one support each day for a week, via Zoom, from an experienced prayer guide. Find out more here and at our introductory webinar on 1st February https://pastoralministryoffice.org/event/lightuplent/

LUX Weekend Lux is a residential for young people organised by our diocesan youth ministry team, NYMO. From the evening of Friday 9th February - the afternoon of Sunday 11th February, those in school years 7-13, will gather in Northampton. The cost for the weekend is £125pp and this includes all program activities, all meals and accommodation. Transport to and from the venue is not included. For more information visit https://nymo.org/lux-dive/ or email info@nymo.org

Diocesan Vacancy: We are currently recruiting for a Pastoral Development Worker to help our pastoral areas and parishes identify mission and community needs and to work with local groups to discern and implement their local vision. The role will be for 37.5 hours per week on a three-year fixed term contract, involving weekend and evening work. Full information for the position and an application form can be found by visiting https://northamptondiocese.org/jobs/