



**OUR LADY IMMACULATE AND ST. ETHELBERT'S PARISH,
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THE EPIPHANY (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 7/1/2024 MASS: 9:00am Tina Burke RIP	11am:	6:30pm:
MON: MASS: 9.30am: Morning Prayer	Mass 10.00am: Justin Ezonfade & Family for God's Mercy & Protection	
TUES: MASS: No Mass		
WED MASS : Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 4pm – 6.30pm	6:30pm MASS William Alsup	
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		
SUN 14/1/2024 MASS: 9:00am	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: Canelli F, Aleluia D, Alina R.

11am Mass: Youth Readers.

6.30pm Mass Olivia G, Sr. Susan

Readers for Next Sunday

9am Mass: Sr. Caroline, Angel D, Daryl M.

11am Mass: Vicky J, Constance N, Marij K.

6.30pm Mass Simon M, Clement A.

Eucharistic Ministers today

9am Mass: Alice S, Jim B, Sr. Pauline

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:

Next Sunday:

Our Readings for the Day

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Above you the glory of the Lord appears

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 71(72):1-2,7-8,10-13

All nations shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord.

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6

It has now been revealed that pagans share the same inheritance

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

The visit of the Magi

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

St Ethelbert's Bank Details for Bank Transfers:

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Notices:

Important Note for Lectors (Readers): We will be holding a short retreat with prayer on Saturday, 20th January after the 10am Mass. This is at the request of Pope Francis who would like us to reflect more on the word of God this year. It is important that all our Lectors (Readers) attend, please bring your bible or missal on the day.

On Sunday 21st January, the Lectors will be commissioned during each of the masses.

Vocations Calendar: There has been a great deal of interest in the vocations calendar and we have managed to obtain a further supply. These are priced at £5 each, although if you are able to contribute more that would be wonderful and will be sold after mass on Sunday by one of our altar servers at the back of the church. Many thanks to all those who have already purchased one.

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 21st October – 31st 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.

Gospel Power 2024: We have obtained a supply of Gospel Power 2024 which provide reflections of the Gospel readings for the year. These are for sale at the piety shop at the back of the church for £7.

Mass for the Sick and Housebound: There will be a Mass for the Sick and Housebound on Saturday 13th January at 2.00pm at Holy Redeemer Church, Wexham. If you know of anyone who would like to attend but needs transport then please contact Angela on 07889 931818.

Monthly Youth Mass: The youth mass will take place this Sunday, 7th January at 11am.

First Holy Communion Group: The next meeting for the First Holy Communion group will take place on Saturday, 13th January at 10.30am Parents, please ensure that your child arrives in good time.

Little Friends of Jesus (LFG): The Little Friends of Jesus will meet on Saturday, 13th January 2024 at 12.30pm. Parents, please bring your young children aged 1 year – 10 years to come and adore the Lord.

Welcome: Please give him a warm welcome to Chris Colaco, a Seminarian who is visiting us for a month.

Pope's Prayer Intention For January: For the Gift of Diversity in the Church

We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

A video of the Popes prayer intention can be viewed here https://youtu.be/j0EvaTVtyPI?si=0HX2TDhVvIr_P5Ps

The text version here: <https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/en/bollettino/pubblico/2024/01/02/240102b.html>

Car Park Renewals: We have a list of car park permits that are due for renewal at the end of December 2023 and January 2024. Please check this list at the back of the church and if this applies to your vehicle, fill in a short-term car park form with your donation and return it to the Presbytery through the letterbox.

Job Vacancy: St Thomas Catholic Academies Trust are looking to recruit a Chief Finance and Operations Officer working across all the schools in our Trust, in Luton, Bucks and Slough. For more details and to apply please visit <https://www.mynewterm.com/jobs/320797/EDV-2023-STCAT-45441>. Closing date for applications is Midday on 29th January 2024.

St Thomas Catholic Academies Trust are also looking to recruit RE Teachers, both existing and current teachers looking to convert. To register your interest for this or any other role within our Trust, please visit: [St Thomas Catholic Academies Trust, Dunstable, Luton and Slough | Teaching Jobs & Education Jobs | MyNewTerm](https://www.stthomascatholicacademies.org)

Mission Northampton: The Secrets of St Paul is a 10-week online course beginning on Wednesday 10th January and finishing on Wednesday 20th March. Participants will have an opportunity to reflect on the life of St Paul as a model missionary disciple. For more information visit www.northamptondiocese.org/courses or call 01604 434362

Pilgrims of Hope Tour: Bishop David has announced a list of dates he will visit parishes across our diocese for 'an evening with...'. During the evening Bishop David will pray with those present, offer some words and take questions before spending time socially with the community. The evenings will be open to all, Catholic's and non-Catholic's. You are invited to come along and bring a friend or family member who is interested in our Catholic faith. We hope that people will feel able to cross parish boundaries and attend an evening in the local area.

For more information and full list of venues and dates visit <https://northamptondiocese.org/pilgrims-of-hope-tour/>