



**OUR LADY IMMACULATE AND ST. ETHELBERT'S PARISH,
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2ND 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 14/1/2024 MASS: 9:00am Thomas Christopher Keogh RIP		11am:	6:30pm:
MON: MASS: 9.30am: Morning Prayer Mass 10.00am:			
TUES: MASS: No Mass			
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			
SUN 21/1/2024 MASS: 9:00am		11am:	6:30pm: Joanna Birthday, Blessings & Thanksgiving
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 <u>during this period</u> if he is not already in the confessional.			
OFFICE HOURS: THURSDAY 1pm until 7pm – Please come to the Presbytery with your enquiries.			
<u>MINISTRIES:</u>		<u>Our Readings for the Day</u>	
<u>Readers for today</u>		First Reading: 1 Samuel 3:3-10,19	
9am Mass: Sr. Caroline, Angel D, Daryl M.		'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening'	
11am Mass: Vicky J, Constance N, Marij K.			
6.30pm Mass Simon M, Clement A.			
<u>Readers for Next Sunday</u>		Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 39(40):2,4,7-10	
9am Mass: Kezia, Rocky D, Kathleen S.		Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will.	
11am Mass: Rose L, Jessica O, Lindsey W.			
6.30pm Mass Amber N, Ruby J.			
<u>Eucharistic Ministers today</u>		Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 6:13-15,17-20	
9am Mass: Chris L, Natalina S, John McN.		Do not sin against your own body	
11am Mass: Cecilia JP, John I, Jan M.			
6.30pm Mass:			
<u>Next Sunday Eucharistic Ministers</u>		Gospel: John 1:35-42	
9am Mass: Sr. Caroline, Alice S, Natalina S.		'We have found the Messiah'	
11am Mass: Rosemary M, Jessicah M, Agness N.			
6.30pm Mass:			
<u>OFFERTORY PROCESSION</u>			
<u>Sunday:</u>			
<u>Next Sunday:</u>			
		<u>St Ethelbert's Bank Details for Bank Transfers:</u>	
		R.C.D.N. ST. ETHELBERT CATHOLIC CHURCH	
		SLOUGH	
		A/C 46714642	
		NatWest SORT CODE : 60 06 11	

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: Many thanks to all of you have very generously purchased a calendar. There is a further supply coming in for those of you who requested one when we ran out. We will let you know via the newsletter when they arrive.

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.

Piety Shop: There will be a number of Christmas items that will be sold at a discount this Sunday. Please do have a look after Sunday Mass.

Non- Perishable Food Collection: We would like to continue to collect items of non-perishable food for a little while longer as the demand from those in need has increased. Thank you to those of you who supported this initiative with your generous donations.

First Holy Communion Group: The next meeting for the First Holy Communion group will take place on Saturday, 27th January at 10.30am Parents, please ensure that your child arrives in good time.

Praise & Worship: Our monthly Praise and Worship which will take place on Friday, 27th January at 7pm – 9pm. All are welcome to this very special service.

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 to February 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. If permits are not renewed and you receive a parking notice I am afraid you will be liable for payment.

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, a school chaplain, 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 School Chaplain at St Michael's Catholic School - Aylesbury Campus | MyNewTerm](#)

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/>