

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF NORTHAMPTON
OUR LADY IMMACULATE AND ST. ETHELBERT'S PARISH
WELLINGTON STREET SLOUGH, SL1 1XU
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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (C)

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

Mass Times & Intentions this Week

SUN 20/02/22 MASS: 9.00am Benedito Savio Quadros – Birthday thksgvg, Malachy & Ellen O'Farrell RIP, Amelia Ida Pereira, Mr. & Mrs. Jonah Anyaegbu RIP, Remediana Mendes RIP. 11.00 am: John Keogh RIP, 6.30pm: People of the Parish, Domingas Da Concei Cao Marques.	
MON. MASS 9.30am Mrs Lawrence Rodrigues, Mr & Mrs Pamela D'souza + Holy souls int. Joaquina Santos Costa & all family Holy Souls.	TUES. No Mass (<i>Office Hours – Church is open</i>).
WED. MASS: 9.30 Judy Fernandes, Christopher Turner RIP.	THURS. Mass of the Feast of St Ethelbert at 9. am.
FRI. Adoration: 12.00 & MASS: 12.30 Sean Webley RIP, Paul Turner	SAT. No Mass (Sacraments Preparation)
SUN 27/02/2022 MASS: 9.00am Souls in Purgatory, Joaquim Lourene Rodrigues RIP, Jonas McKeni Rodrigues – Thanksgiving, Jerold Fernandes (int) Jerold's 30 th Birthday Good Health & Blessing, 11.00am People of the Parish, 6.30pm: Jose Philip & Isabella + Holy Souls int of Laurence Fernandes	

PARISH ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY MASS TIMES: 9.00am, 11.00am and 6.30pm
WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 9.30am. FRIDAY 12.30pm
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENEDICTION: Friday 12.00 – 12.30pm
BAPTISM OF CHILDREN: First Saturday of the Month **2.30pm**
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022: Preparation is ongoing, pray for the young ones.
CONFIRMATION 2022: Preparation is ongoing, please pray for the Candidates.
RCIA SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION 2022: Pray for the Catechumens & Candidates.
WEDDING: By appointment with the Parish Priest (Six months' notice is required).
FUNERAL: By arrangement with the Parish Priest (call 01753523147).
RECONCILIATION: First & last Sat. of the month 11.00am -12.30pm
VISITATION TO THE SICK: by arrangement with the Priest during Office Hours.
MASS REQUEST/BOOKING: Envelopes are available in the Church (*write your intention, and please hand to the Priest or place in presbytery letterbox*).
HOSPITALITY MINISTRY: Welcoming New Parishioners/Visitors: During Sunday Mass.
SIGNING OF SCHOOL FORMS/DOCUMENTS: Contact the Priest on Office Days.
CHURCH CLEANING AND UPKEEP: Monday after Mass, & Saturday, please help.
PIETY/BOOKSHOP: Sunday after Mass (Back of the Church).
CHURCH MEETINGS: As announced in the Newsletter, contact the Parish Priest
BLESSINGS:
FOR THE WORKING WEEK – MONDAY (after 9.30 Mass).
FOR THE WEEKEND – FRIDAY (at the end of Mass)
FOR BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS: First & Last Sunday of the Month.
HOLY WATER, RELIGIOUS ITEMS, VEHICLES, ETC.: Contact the Priest after Mass.
CHILD DEDICATION & BLESSING AFTER BAPTISM: First Sunday of the Month.
THANKSGIVING MASS FOR SPECIAL EVENTS: Contact the Parish Priest for booking.
FAMILY OFFERTORY PROCESSION: in progress, kindly register your family.
PRIEST'S DAY OFF: MONDAY.
PRIEST'S OFFICE DAYS/HOURS - TUES. AND THUR. 11am – 12.30 & 5.30- 6.30pm
 The Priest is available to meet parishioners during office hours. All are welcome!

MINISTRIES:

Readers for today

9am Mass: Sheryl F, Reece G
 11am Mass: Abigail D, Dwayne D
 6.30pm Mass: Lucas P. Sophia B

Readers Next Week

9am Mass: Reece G., Sheryl F.
 11am Mass: Patrick Iwu, John Idigbo
 6.30pm Mass: Olivia G, Ruby J.

Eucharistic Ministers today

9am Mass: Natalina S., Sr. Caroline
 11am Mass: Jessica, Mathew
 6.30pm Mass: Jean Pierre

Next Sunday Eucharistic Ministers

9am Mass: Alice S. Millie A.
 11am Mass: Irene, Agnes
 6.30pm Mass: Jean Pierre

Collection:

Loose cash £762:00
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GLORIA: *Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

THE CREED: I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

BIDDING PRAYERS:

Reader: *Jesus says, 'Do not judge*

Response (All): *and you will not be judged yourselves.'*

Please Pray for: the Sick and Housebound Parishioners. Those who died recently.

SUNDAY READINGS:

FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 26:2,7-9,11-13,22-23

Saul set off and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, accompanied by three thousand men chosen from Israel to search for David in the wilderness of Ziph. In the dark David and Abishai made their way towards the force, where they found Saul lying asleep inside the camp, his spear stuck in the ground beside his head, with Abner and the troops lying round him. Then Abishai said to David, 'Today God has put your enemy in your power; so now let me pin him to the ground with his own spear. Just one stroke! I will not need to strike him twice.' David answered Abishai, 'Do not kill him, for who can lift his hand against the Lord's anointed and be without guilt? The Lord forbid that I should raise my hand against the Lord's anointed! But now take the spear beside his head and the pitcher of water and let us go away.' David took the spear and the pitcher of water from beside Saul's head, and they made off. No one saw, no one knew, no one woke up; they were all asleep, for a deep sleep from the Lord had fallen on them. David crossed to the other side and halted on the top of the mountain a long way off; there was a wide space between them. He called out, 'Here is the king's spear. Let one of the soldiers come across and take it. The Lord repays everyone for his uprightness and loyalty. Today the Lord put you in my power, but I would not raise my hand against the Lord's anointed.' **The Word of the Lord.**

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 102(103):1-4,8,10,12-13

The Lord is kind and merciful

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:45-49

The first man, Adam, as scripture says, became a living soul; but the last Adam has become a life-giving spirit. That is, first the one with the soul, not the spirit, and after that, the one with the spirit. The first man, being from the earth, is earthly by nature; the second man is from heaven. As this earthly man was, so are we on earth; and as the heavenly man is, so are we in heaven. And we, who have been modelled on the earthly man, will be modelled on the heavenly man. **The Word of the Lord.**

Gospel: Luke 6:27-38

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I say this to you who are listening: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly. To the man who slaps you on one cheek, present the other cheek too; to the man who takes your cloak from you, do not refuse your tunic. Give to everyone who asks you, and do not ask for your property back from the man who robs you. Treat others as you would like them to treat you. If you love those who love you, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what thanks can you expect? For even sinners do that much. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners lend to sinners to get back the same amount. Instead, love your enemies and do good, and lend without any hope of return. You will have a great reward, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. 'Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate. Do not judge, and you will not be judged yourselves; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned yourselves; grant pardon, and you will be pardoned. Give, and there will be gifts for you: a full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap; because the amount you measure out is the amount you will be given back.' **The Gospel of the Lord.**

Church Notices:

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RCIA: RITE OF ELECTION with Bishop David on 6th March is cancelled and will now take place in the Parish on the same date at 9am. All Candidates and Catechumens should attend 9am Mass.

Parish Feast of St. Ethelbert: on **Thursday 24th February Mass at 9.30. The feast day will be marked on Sunday 27th February at all Masses:** Bidding prayers to take place in our communities' local languages at each Mass. Bring and Share meal after each Mass (bulletin notices required 2 weeks before). Social Committee to set up and organize refreshments.

Ash Wednesday and Season of Lent: Ash Wednesday Mass/distribution of ashes will take place on 2nd March at 9.30am and 7.30pm. Old Palms - Please bring in your palms from last year and put them in the basket at the back of the Church. These will be burnt and the ashes used on Ash Wednesday. Thank you.

St. Ethelbert's Charismatic Renewal: Vigil Prayer on Friday 28 Feb, from 8.30pm in the Church.