



**OUR LADY IMMACULATE AND ST. ETHELBERT'S PARISH,  
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**7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (C)**

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

<b>SUN 23/2/2025 MASS: 9:00am</b> Lucas Pereira & Family 2024 Thanksgiving & Protection in 2025, Malachy & Eleen O'Farrell RIP, Marcel Eze RIP <b>MASS: 11am:</b> <b>MASS: 6.30pm</b> Souls in Purgatory
<b>MON:9.30am:</b> Morning Prayer <b>MASS: 10.00am</b> A. Macdonald RIP,
<b>TUES: 9.30am:</b> Morning Prayer <b>MASS: 10.00am</b> John Gilhooly RIP
<b>WED: Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 4pm – 6.30pm MASS: 6.30pm</b>
<b>THURSDAY: 9.30am:</b> Morning Prayer <b>MASS: 10.00am</b> Mateus D'Souza Birthday Thanksgiving <b>Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 10.30am - 1pm</b>
<b>FRIDAY: Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 10am – 12.30pm</b> <b>MASS: 12:30pm</b> A. Macdonald RIP, Joe Fernandes RIP, Clement Almeida & Family Thanksgiving <b>Praise &amp; Worship 7pm – 9pm</b>
<b>SATURDAY: 9.30am:</b> Morning Prayer <b>MASS: 10.00am</b>
<b>SUN 2/3/2025 MASS: 9:00am</b> Elsie Thanksgiving <b>MASS: 11am:</b> Nysa Dsouza Birthday Thanksgiving <b>MASS: 6.30pm</b>
<b>CONFESSIONS: Available this week on, Wednesday, Thursday &amp; 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</u> this period if he is not already in the confessional.</b>
<b>OFFICE HOURS: THURSDAY 1pm until 7pm – Please come to the Presbytery with your enquiries.</b>

**MINISTRIES:**  
**Readers for this Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> February**  
**9am Mass:** Reece G, Aleina, Steve S.  
**11am Mass:** John I, Rosemary M, Sr. Therese O.  
**6.30pm Mass:**

**Readers for Next Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March**  
**9am Mass:** Clare R, Precious Q, Sr. Caroline  
**11am Mass:** Leanne K, Kloenda C, Kyla  
**6.30pm Mass:**

**Eucharistic Ministers for this Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> February**  
**9am Mass:** John McN, Chris L,  
**11am Mass:** Mathew T, Jessicah M.  
**6.30pm Mass:**

**Next Sunday Eucharistic Ministers, 2<sup>nd</sup> March**  
**9am Mass:** Natalina S, Agness N, Millie A.  
**11am Mass:** Mathew T, Clara C, John I  
**6.30pm Mass:**

**OFFERTORY PROCESSION**  
**This Sunday:**

**Next Sunday:**

**Our Readings for the Day**  
**First Reading: 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 112-13, 22-23**  
The LORD gave you into my hand today, and I would not put out my hand against the LORD'S anointed.

**Responsorial Psalm: Ps 103(102); 1-2. 3-4. 8, 10. 12-13**  
**R. 8a**  
The LORD is compassionate and gracious

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:45-49**  
Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we shall also bear the image of the man of heaven.

**Gospel: Luke 6:27- 38**  
Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.

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

**St Ethelbert's Bank Details for Bank Transfers:**  
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**SLOUGH**  
**A/C 46714642**  
**NatWest SORT CODE: 60 06 11**

## Notices:

**Important Note – Confessions:** Following a Diocesan Formation meeting we have been advised that if mobile phones are left on and are with you during your confession, Google can record parts of it. Therefore, to protect the sanctity of confession we therefore request that going forward all mobile phones are either not taken into the confessional with you or are completely switched off to protect what is said during confession and to avoid breaking the seal.

**Second Collection:** Fr. Pius has spoken recently about an order in Africa who are building a primary school and have asked for your help. We will have a second collection at all masses on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March to support them.

**First Holy Communion Group:** The next meeting for the First Holy Communion group will be on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> March at 11am when the candidates will make their First Reconciliation. Please keep them in your prayers.

**Confirmation Group:** The confirmation group will meet next Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> March at 3pm. Parents, please ensure that your child attends.

**RCIA:** The RCIA group will meet this Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February at 12pm and then on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> March at 12pm

**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.

**Praise & Worship:** Our monthly Praise and Worship which will take place on Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm – 9pm. All are welcome to this very special service.

**Flame 2025:** Those 19 young people who put their names down for the event ‘Flame 2025’ are now required to provide payment of £29 to cover the registration of the event. Please provide this in an envelope marking your name down clearly. The additional £20 for transport to and from the venue will be covered by the parish.

**Couples Marrying 2025/2026:** Couples who intend to marry this year, 2025 or 2026 should get in touch with Fr. Pius asap. This applies if you intended to marry at St Ethelbert’s, in another parish or overseas. There are various timescales to allow these to happen and we will be unable to complete courses/paperwork etc. if you inform us at the last minute. Therefore, to avoid disappointment given the importance of the occasion we would encourage you to get in touch as soon as you know your wedding date.

**Popes Prayer Intention For February:** For vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

**Special Mass for Married Couples:** We invite all married couples to a special mass on Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May at 12pm. For those of you who are celebrating their **significant** wedding anniversaries e.g. 10, 15, 25, 30 years of marriage this year we will produce a special certificate. If this applies to you, please put your details down on the list at the back of the church. You will be able to receive this during the service on the day.

### **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham**

This year our diocesan pilgrimage to Walsingham takes place on Saturday 14 June. The pilgrimage will begin with Mass at the Basilica in the Catholic Shrine at midday followed by lunch and at 3pm pilgrims process from the Shrine, on the holy mile to the Abbey Grounds for the final service. There is a form at the back of the church to sign up if you are interested. If there are sufficient numbers, we will look into booking a coach.