



**OUR LADY IMMACULATE AND ST. ETHELBERT'S PARISH,
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6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER (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 5/05/2024 MASS: 8.30am: Rosary MASS: 9:00am Maria & Francis Gonsalves RIP 10.30am: Rosary MASS: 11am: David Kingham & Zena Jones Thanksgiving 6.00pm Rosary MASS: 6:30pm:
MON: MASS: 9.15am: Morning Prayer 9.30am: Rosary Mass: 10.00am Thanksgiving to St Anthony
TUES: MASS: 9.15am: Morning Prayer 9.30am: Rosary Mass 10.00am:
WED MASS: Exposition of the Holy Sacrament & Rosary: 4pm – 6.30pm 6:30pm MASS: Darren Monteiro Intention
THURSDAY: 9:15am Morning Prayer, 9.30am: Rosary Mass 10.00am: Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 10.30am - 1 pm 6.00pm: Rosary Mass 6.30pm:
FRIDAY: Exposition of the Holy Sacrament & Rosary : 10 am - 12.30pm MASS: 12:30pm
SATURDAY: 9.15am: Morning Prayer 9.30am: Rosary Mass 10.00am:
SUN 12/05/2024 8.30am: Rosary MASS: 9:00am 10.30am: Rosary MASS: 11am: 6.00pm Rosary MASS: 6:30pm:
CONFESSIONS: Available this week on, Wednesday, Thursday & 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.
OFFICE HOURS: NONE THIS THURSDAY

MINISTRIES:
Readers for Next Sunday, 5th May
9am Mass: Reece G, Aleina, Anabel M
11am Mass: Youth Readers
6.30pm Mass:

Readers for Next Sunday, 12th May
9am Mass: Sheryl F, Anissa, Clare R.
11am Mass: Sr. Chibuakum, Lilian I,
Holy Communion Group
6.30pm Mass:

Next Sunday Eucharistic Ministers, 5th May
9am Mass: Alices S, Sr. Pauline
11am Mass: Clara C, Agness N.
6.30pm Mass:

Next Sunday Eucharistic Ministers, 12th May
9am Mass: Chris L, Natalina S, John McN.
11am Mass: Cecilia JP, Jan M, John I.
6.30pm Mass:

OFFERTORY PROCESSION
Sunday:
Next Sunday: 11am Holy Communion Group

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

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Notices:

Second Collection Next Sunday 12th May: For the Catholic Communications Network.

Parish Registration: We continue to encourage those of you who have not already done so to register as a parishioner of our parish. This can now be done online by typing the link into your browser. www.caspar.church/me?ID=56086 and completing the registration form. During the registration you will also have the opportunity to sign up for the parish newsletter to keep up-to-date with the latest parish news. Please do sign up for this. If you don't have an email address, please speak to the parish who can complete the form on your behalf.

Daily Rosary in May: May is the Month Mary and to honour her we will say the Rosary half an hour before each mass. If you would like to lead the Rosary on any particular day, please put your name down on the list at the back of the church. During the week and on Saturday, the morning prayer will take place 15 mins earlier than scheduled. Please refer to the newsletter for the adjusted times on various days.

Feast of the Ascension: There will be two masses at 10am and 6.30pm on Thursday 9th May, the Feast of the Ascension and a holy day of obligation.

Little Friends of Jesus: The LFJ group will meet on Saturday, 14th May at 12.30pm. Children aged one to 10 years are welcome.

Holy Communion Group: The First Holy Communion Group themed mass will be held on Sunday 12th May at 11am.

Missio & Mill Hill Missionaries Red Box Appeal: This weekend we welcome Father Noah Monday Mbabazi MHM to give a Red Box Appeal. Thank you to parishioners who already give to Missio, the Pope's charity for World Mission. Your generous donations either through the Red Box or Direct Debit support the Church around the World where it is young or in need. There will not be a second collection as the appeal is for membership to the Red Box scheme. Please keep the work of Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries in your prayers. To find out more, visit: www.missio.org.uk

RETURN TO THE UPPER ROOM: Alex Heath from Mission Northampton invites you to gather online to prepare for Pentecost. The gathering will include testimony, prayer, and practical resources. All are welcome to attend free of charge. Visit <https://northamptondiocese.org/courses/return-to-the-upper-room-preparing-for-pentecost-2024-may-2024/>

CAFOD's Sudan Crisis Appeal: Millions of families in Sudan, forced to flee their homes amid conflict, now face yet another urgent crisis – extreme hunger. Please give to CAFOD's Sudan Crisis Appeal in church or at cafod.org.uk/sudanappeal. Your donation will help CAFOD's partners to support more families with food packages and emergency cash payments as well as rebuilding water pipelines so clean water can reach communities who need it. Thank you for your generosity and prayers.

Summer Outreach BBQ: We are looking for volunteers to help organise and run this year's summer outreach BBQ. If you are able to help and would like to join in, please put your name and contact details down on the list at the back of the church.

Offering Envelopes: For those of you who have subscribed to the offering envelopes, please collect your new box of envelopes to be used from May onwards from the table at the back of the church.

Called & Equipped: What is God calling you to do next? Our year-long formation course isn't for everyone but covering the foundations of Catholic teaching alongside developing a personal spirituality, it might just be for you. Find out more here <https://northamptondiocese.org/called-equipped/> and at our introductory webinar on 23rd May, 7.30pm.

Diocesan Vacancies: The Diocese is currently recruiting for a Financial Accountant and an Accounts Assistant to join their central team based in Northampton. Full information for both positions, including how to apply, can be found by visiting <https://northamptondiocese.org/jobs/>. The closing date for applications is Friday 17th May 2024, however we reserve the right to close the vacancy earlier if a sufficient number of applications have been received. Interviews dates to be confirmed. All candidates should complete a Diocesan application form & email hr.admin@northamptondiocese.org, together with a covering letter detailing their qualifications, experience, and why they are interested in the position.

Pope Prayer Intention for May: Let us pray that men and women religious, and seminarians, grow in their own vocational journey through human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, that leads them to be credible witnesses of the Gospel:

Video Message of the Holy Father: Every vocation is a "diamond in the rough" that needs to be polished, worked, and shaped on every side. A good priest, sister or nun, must above all else be a man, a woman who is formed, shaped by the Lord's grace, people who are aware of their own limitations, and willing to lead a life of prayer, of dedicated witness to the Gospel. Beginning in the seminary and the novitiate, their preparation must be developed integrally, in direct contact with the lives of other people. This is essential. Formation does not end at a certain moment, but continues throughout life, integrating the person intellectually, humanly, effectively, spiritually.

There's also preparation to live in community - life in community is so enriching, even though it can be difficult at times. Living together is not the same as living in community.

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