



**OUR LADY IMMACULATE AND ST. ETHELBERT'S PARISH,
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4TH SUNDAY OF LENT (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 10/3/2024 MASS: 9:00am Andrew Lourdes Pereira RIP, Philomena Fernandes RIP
11am: Avelino & Monica RIP, Lolo Nwakaego Louisa Okeke RIP, Okuse Adoh Birthday Thanksgiving
6:30pm: Tony Redmond RIP

MON: MASS: 9.00am: Morning Prayer **Mass: 9.30am**

TUES: MASS: 9.30am: Morning Prayer **Mass 10.00am:**

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 - 11.30pm 11.30am – 12.30pm Stations of the Cross
 MASS: 12:30 pm Teresa Fernandes Special Int. 6.30pm: Reconciliation Service with Individual Confessions**

SATURDAY: Morning Prayer: 9:30am Mass: 10:00 am

SUN 17/3/2024 MASS: 9:00am Ruben Patrick Cardoso Birthday Thanksgiving

11am: Lavinia Fernandes RIP, Martha Mascarenhas RIP **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: John McN, Aleluia D, Sr. Pauline
11am Mass: Fozia K, Jessicah M, Constance N.
6.30pm Mass John J, Clement A.

Readers for Next Sunday

9am Mass: Clare R, Angel D, Anissa
11am Mass: Marij K, Leanne K,
Bidding Prayers: Holy Communion Group
6.30pm Mass Olvia G, Amber N.

Eucharistic Ministers today

9am Mass: Alice S, Millie A.
11am Mass: Rosemary M, John I.
6.30pm Mass:

Next Sunday Eucharistic Ministers

9am Mass: Sr. Pauline & Alice S.
11am Mass: Jessicah M, Agness N.
6.30pm Mass:

OFFERTORY PROCESSION

Sunday: 9am Lokita and Ivo
Next Sunday: 9am Bertie

Our Readings for the Day

First Reading: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16,19-23

God's wrath and mercy are revealed in the exile and release of his people

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 136(137):1-6

O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not!

Second Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10

You have been saved through grace

Gospel: John 3:14-21

God sent his Son so that through him the world might be saved

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

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Notices:

Mother's Day: We wish all Mothers and Grandmothers a happy Mother's Day we hope they have a very special, blessed day.

Welcome: We give a warm welcome to the Ghanaian Community who are visiting, we hope you enjoy spending time with us.

Reconciliation Service (Confessions): In preparation for Easter, we will be holding a reconciliation service followed by individual confessions on Friday, 15th March at 6.30pm. There will be no evening Stations of the Cross on this day but the morning session at 11.30am will continue to be in place.

Electrician Required: If there is anyone who is an electrician that could help with a small repair, please get in touch with Fr. Pius asap.

Important - Monday 11th March Services: Please note that this coming Monday, 11th March, morning prayer will take place at the slightly earlier time of 9am followed by Mass at 9.30am.

First Holy Communion Group:

The next meeting for the First Holy Communion group will take place on Saturday, 16th March at 10.30am with a themed mass on Sunday, 17th March. Parents, please ensure that your child arrives in good time on both days.

Lenten Retreat: We are to have a Lenten Retreat on Friday, 22nd March from 7pm – 9pm. All are welcome to this very special service.

Piety Shop: New items for, Mother's Day, Lent, Easter, First Communion and Confirmation are now available in the piety shop at the back of the church. Please drop by and have a look after mass.

Bishop David's Lenten Gospel Reflections: Bishop David has written and recorded a Gospel reflection for the fourth week of Lent. This weeks reflection can be viewed here <https://youtu.be/OwuZ-ETQesw?si=s7Nnu1LZ72sEsKFp>

This weeks reflection can be listened to here <https://on.soundcloud.com/Bzcdy>

Pope's Prayer Intention March 2024: For the new martyrs

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm. You can watch the video here

https://youtu.be/ov49RPt2ii8?si=xvGOX_3pkEayZdhg

Feast of St Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary (19th March)

Mass will be celebrated at Northampton Cathedral at 11.00am on this day. In our diocese it is a double celebration as it is also the 4th anniversary of Bishop David's Episcopal Ordination. Refreshments will be served following the Mass. It would be lovely to see as many of you and your parishioners as possible.

Chrism Mass: As usual our Chrism Mass will be celebrated at Northampton Cathedral on Maundy Thursday, 28th March at 11.00am. You are all encouraged to attend. This is a good opportunity for our diocesan family to be together. Refreshments will be available following Mass in the St Thomas Centre. All are welcome.

Life In The Spirit: As Fr. Pius has mentioned at mass, our diocese is organising a series of Life In The Spirit seminars. Beginning on Tuesday 16 April, the seminars are designed as an introduction to a life lived in the power of the Holy Spirit. Participants are welcome to join live at Northampton Cathedral or from one of the 'Hub' locations around the diocese. Our local hub is SLOUGH/BURNHAM – Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church, Lower Britwell Rd, Burnham, Slough SL2 2NL. Please see details of the specific dates on the poster on the notice board. The programme will begin with teas/coffees/welcome at 6:30pm, followed by Praise and worship from 7pm to 7:30pm with the talks starting at 7.30pm. The talks will last 30 minutes. The music and talk will be livestreamed from the Cathedral to the selected hubs and the small group sharing will also take place in the hubs. The Holy Spirit retreat day at the Cathedral is on 18th May from 2pm to 6pm followed by the Pentecost vigil mass which participants can join should they wish to do so. For more information visit <https://northamptondiocese.org/life-in-the-spirit-seminars-2024/> If you do register for the event and intend to travel by car and would be able to offer a parishioner a lift, please let Fr. Pius know.

Job Vacancy: WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A YOUTH MINISTRY LEADER IN THE LAKE DISTRICT?

Castlerigg Manor (Diocese of Lancaster Retreat Centre) are looking for a Programme Leader to join their youth ministry team. The work involves working on retreats in the heart of the Lake District, and occasionally working on outreach visits around the area. The post is residential and comes with a salary package in the range of £26-28k, made up of paid salary, accommodation, food etc. Would suit somebody with youth ministry experience perhaps recently graduated. Interested, email – jack@castleriggmanor.co.uk