



St Augustine's Catholic Church High Wycombe

The Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ

25 December 2022

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www.facebook.com/StAugustinesHW

Morning Prayer 9.15am Mon-Sat. Evening Prayer 6.15pm

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 25 Dec - The Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ
9.30am John Clark RIP
11am People of the Parish
No 6pm Mass

Monday 26 Dec - St Stephen,
9.30am Rose Bogui & David Sontan

Tuesday 27 Dec - St John, Apostle & Evangelist
No Mass
10am St Wulstan's - Tijana Jiji

Wednesday 28 Dec - The Holy Innocents, Martyrs
9.30am Philip Rake

Thursday 29 Dec - St Thomas Becket, Bishop & Martyr
No Mass
7pm Our Lady of Grace - Foundation Mass - Fraser

Friday 30 Dec - The Holy Family
9.30am Thanksgiving

Saturday 31 Dec - St Sylvester I, Pope
9.30am James O'Regan RIP

Sunday 01 Jan - Mary, Mother of God
9am Chris Holland RIP
11am Rita Lawrence & Family
6pm People of the Parish
Hymns: 288, 198, 358, 307, 165

Psalm response

VIGIL MASS: I will sing for ever of Your love, O Lord.

MIDNIGHT MASS: Today a Saviour has been born to us; He is Christ the Lord.

9.30am MASS: This day new light will shine upon the earth; the Lord is born for us.

11.00am MASS: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

VIGIL MASS: Tomorrow there will be an end to the sin of the world and the Saviour of the world will be our King.

MIDNIGHT MASS: I bring you news of great joy: Today a Saviour has been born to us, Christ the Lord.

9.30am MASS: Glory to God in the highest heaven, and peace to men who enjoy His favour.

11.00am MASS: A hallowed day has dawned upon us. Come, you nations, worship the Lord, for today a great light has shone down upon the earth. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Acc: 1. We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

CONFESSIONS IN THE CHURCH on Saturday 10.15 - 11.00am (Or ring to make an appointment)

EXPOSITION & ADORATION follow Saturday Mass, ending with Benediction at 10.50-ish.

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION: £598.81 +Standing Orders of £696

CHRISTMAS OFFERING: Envelopes are now available for those who wish to use them for the Christmas Offering. Whereas on most Sundays the Collection is for the running of the Parish, at **Christmas and Easter it goes to the Priests of the Parish.**

BIBLE ALIVE: Bible Alive is a monthly Catholic scripture magazine which draws its strength, inspiration and direction from the liturgical cycle. "From the Bible we draw life, strength and power to live the Christian life. The essence of Bible Alive are daily reflections. They are written in an accessible and warm style. There are also features covering a wide array of subjects and interviews on matters relating to living the Christian faith today. The teaching is drawn from the rich teaching of Vatican II, the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and the teachings of the recent Popes. Each month also includes features exploring in depth and detail the life witness of either a beati, a canonized saint or a hero of faith. **Subscription for one year is £29.99, starting on January 1st. For more details contact Marian Dunsire on 01494442993.**

YOUR LEGACY: Please pick up a leaflet from the Porch and tables in the Church, from the Diocese. How you could help secure the future of our Church for the benefit of those following in your footsteps.

SICK & HOME VISITS: If you know of anyone who is ill or housebound please let Fr. Jonathan, Fr. Daniel or Viviane Gifford (07748 657729) know, so we can arrange for a visit and to receive Holy Communion if they wish.

DIOCESAN DIRECTORIES: Available at the back of the Church price £3.

NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY UNTIL NEW YEAR.

Please look in newsletter to find out when we resume.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Our children's classes will be beginning in the New Year, and we invite anyone who might like to assist with this to **get in touch as soon as possible.** Classes will be at weekends in the afternoon and **any helpers do, of course, need to go through the safeguarding checks.** You don't need to have prior experience of this work. You may, for example, just observe and assist this year and perhaps be a leader next year. It's all up to you.



HOLY CONFIRMATION 2023 Applications are now closed for this year. Our first meeting will take place on the 7th of January at 10:30am in the Upper Room. For this first meeting Candidates must attend with Parents.



TEA AND COFFEE in the Upper Room after the 11am Mass. All are welcome, but please do not block anyone in, in the Car Park. All proceeds will go towards **SVP**



NO SUNDAY TEAS AFTER MASS on 25 Dec and 1 Jan 2023

THE SVP (SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL) WEDNESDAY FRIENDSHIP GROUP.



at: St. Augustine's Church, in the Upper Room after 9.30am Mass, till about 12.30pm

Please note there will be NO FRIENDSHIP GROUP ON WEDNESDAYS

21 Dec

28 Dec+

Or 4 Jan 2023

WE RESUME ON 11 JAN 2023.

ONLINE ROSARY

All welcome. Thursday evenings 7.45 - 9pm via Zoom. For joining details, contact Deacon Brin on 07931 607249 or email: brin.dunsire@gmail.com



CHURCH CLEANING ROTA (in the Porch)

28/12/22 Maria, Noreen & Liz
04/01/23 Sandra, Pauline & Tony
11/01/23 Winston & Prem
21/01/23 Valentina & Catherine
25/01/23 Maria, Noreen & Liz

LECTIO DIVINA Thursdays at 11am

Sessions are over Zoom (joining from 10:45 to start at 11:00) and will last a maximum of 1 hour 30 minutes. For further details on how to join, please contact: Marian Dunsire marian_dunsire@outlook.com, Anne Freier: freier1961@gmail.com, or Kathy Russell: karussell43@aol.com

RIGHT TO LIFE - 25th (Mass of the Day of the Nativity of Christ) - "As we reflect on the Word becoming flesh, let us pray for a greater appreciation of the dignity of all human beings, born and unborn, who are made in the image and likeness of God. Lord hear us".

RIGHT TO LIFE UK have released a short two-minute video called *The Ten Million*, www.righttolife.org.uk/thetenmillion

PARISH CINEMA Our parish has been hosting whole episodes of **The Chosen** every week which depicts the life of Jesus as seen through the eyes of the people who knew him. **Showings will continue IN THE NEW YEAR every Tuesday at 6:30pm and Thursday at 3:00pm at St Augustine's.** Join us, "Come and see". Tea and coffee will be available and bring snacks for you and for others.

MARIA SCHAFFER, has finished her Sleep Out for the Wycombe Homeless. If you sponsored her and haven't paid yet. Please do so at: www.justgiving.com/maria-schafer1 or give the money to Maria.

REGISTRATION FORMS for new parishioners are on the notice board in the porch.

DIVINE ADORATION IN JANUARY



You are invited to another beautiful evening of Eucharistic Adoration, including praise and worship and prayer ministry, here at St. Augustine's, on Saturday 14 January, at 7pm. A date for your diary and a wonderful way to start 2023. Everyone is welcome. Please invite your friends and family.

We have some incredible news! Until 31 January 2023, every donation made to our Double the Love appeal will be matched, up to £1.5 million.



Together, through **Double The Love**, we can transform the lives of many more desperately hungry children waiting for Mary's Meals.

RESIDENTIAL FOR ALL IN YEAR 7-YEAR 13. NYMO are once again running our **Annual LUX weekend from 3rd-5th Feb.** The weekend is packed full of fun activities, moving times of prayer and inspirational talks. Come and join around 100 other young people from all parts of the diocese for an unforgettable weekend! For more information and to book a place check out our website. Fr Daniel will be attending as well! www.nymo.org/lux

In your mercy... Please pray for Terry Rodrigues who died on 6 December. His funeral will be here on 4 January 2023. Please keep him and his Family in your prayers. Please also pray for two former Parishioners who have died: Fernanda Duarte on 20 December and Carmel Murphy 18 December. Please keep them and their Families in your prayers.

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord...

ANNIVERSARIES

Elizabeth Nuttall, Julia Oakley, John Buhagiar, Mollie Burrows, Peggy Forshaw, Josephine Razzell, Sadie Hanna, Celia Forde, Anthony Hogan, Margaret Benjafield, Renato Parmegiani, Dorothy Majewski, Zaboklicka Wladyslawa, Caroline Edwards, Clare Brittain, Basil F. Turner, Ellen Fahey, Antonietta Festa.

DIARY OF EVENTS

26 Dec - St Stephen
28 Dec - The Holy Innocents
29 Dec - St Thomas Becket
30 Dec - The Holy Family

ONLINE DIOCESAN COMMUNICATIONS

can be found as follows:

Instagram: dioceseofNorthampton

Facebook: RC Diocese of N Northampton

Twitter: @RCNorthampton

YouTube: Northampton Diocese

+Useful Websites:

<https://northamptondiocese.org>

<http://www.catholicreadings.org>

<http://www.heavensroadfm.com>

<http://www.walsingham.org.uk>

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk>

<https://northamptondiocese.org/donate/>

<http://cafod.org.uk>

<https://catalog.obitel-minsk.com/icons-prav.html>

PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL

Holy Michael, the Archangel defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust down to hell Satan and all the wicked spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.



A Very Happy and Blessed Christmas to all Parishioners and your Families from myself, Fr Daniel and Deacon Brin. All Good wishes for the coming New Year. Many thanks too for all your good wishes, cards, gifts and other offerings. Yours in Christ Fr Jonathan.