



**OUR LADY IMMACULATE AND ST. ETHELBERT'S PARISH,
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18th Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)

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

SUN: 2/8/2026 MASS: 9:00am Hazel Fernandes Birthday, Faith Grobman & Family RIP	
MASS: 11.00am: Kwadwo Kyei Baffour & Family Int, Andy & Family Int, Kodo Antwi & Family Int.	
MASS: 6.30pm Joseph & Theresa Almeida RIP, Juan Adrian 6 th Birthday	
MON: 9.30am: Morning Prayer 10.00am A. Macdonald RIP,	
TUES: 9.30am: Morning Prayer 10.00am	
WED: Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 4pm – 6.30pm	
MASS 6.30pm	
THURS: 9.30am: Morning Prayer Mass: 10.00am	
Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 10.30am – 1.00pm	
FRIDAY: Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 10am – 12.30pm	
MASS: 12:30pm A. Macdonald RIP, Julie Da Costa RIP	
SATURDAY: No Morning Prayer 7am Mass: Ian 3rd Birthday, Peter & Family Thanksgiving	
SUN: 9/8/2026 MASS: 7:00am MASS: 9:00am MASS: 11.00am:	
MASS: 6.30pm	
CONFESSIONS: No Confessions This Week.	
OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK: THURSDAY 1pm until 7pm – Please come to the Presbytery with your enquiries.	
<u>MINISTRIES:</u> <u>Readers for this Sunday, 2nd August</u> 9am Mass Sr. Caroline, Rocky D, Kathleen S. 11am Mass: Cecilia JP, Patrick I, Analee 6.30pm Mass: <u>Readers for Next Sunday, 9th August</u> 7am Mass: Ellen K. & Patrick I. 9am Mass: Sr. Pauline, Aleina, Anissa 11am Mass: Valentine, Koyenum A, Vicky J. 6.30pm Mass: <u>Eucharistic Ministers for this Sunday, 2nd August</u> 9am Mass: Millie A, Evelyn P, John McN, 11am Mass: John I, Rosemary M, Dorothy 6.30pm Mass: <u>Next Sunday Eucharistic Ministers, 9th August</u> 7am Mass: Dorothy TBC 9am Mass: Sr. Caroline, Chris L. TBC 11am Mass: Marcelline M, Abeshesya I. TBC 6.30pm Mass: <u>OFFERTORY PROCESSION</u> <u>This Sunday:</u> <u>Next Sunday:</u>	Our Readings: First Reading: Isaiah 55:1-3 Come and Eat Psalm: 145(144):8-9.15-16.17-18.R. cf.16 You open your hand and fulfil us, O Lord. Second Reading: Romans 8:35, 37-39 Nothing in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ. Gospel: Mathew 14:13-21 They all ate and were satisfied Thank you for your generous giving, May God bless you. St Ethelbert's Bank Details for Bank Transfers: R.C.D.N. ST. ETHELBERT CATHOLIC CHURCH SLOUGH A/C 46714642 NatWest SORT CODE: 60 06 11

NOTICES:

Restoration Works: The church interior restoration work is now due to begin on Monday 3rd August, as a result, all services will take place from that date in a marquee that will be set up in the church garden until the church is reopened. **Important amendment** - Fr. Pius will put in place a 7am mass from Sunday 9th August to help accommodate all. This will enable us to manage seating everyone comfortably during services and also help with car park spaces as we will lose a few near the front for health and safety reasons.

To prepare for these changes, we need help after the 10am mass this Saturday 1st August to finalise the marquee and some storage. On Sunday 2nd August, after the 11am mass to help move items out of the church and into storage. We will also need help putting the chairs in place on 2nd and 3rd August.

Changes to services this week: There will be an additional mass service on Sunday 9th August at 7am. Please note the following additional changes this week. There will be no morning prayer on Saturday 8th August and mass will be at 7am as Fr. Pius has a vocational event to attend later in the morning. There will also be no confessions this week while we settle into our new set up.

Pope Leo XIV's Prayer Intention For August - For evangelisation in the city: Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

First Holy Communion & Confirmation 2027: At the end of August forms will be available to begin the process of applying for First Holy Communion and Confirmation. If you intend to enroll your child for either one of these sacraments, please note we will require a copy of their Baptism certificate. You should therefore get in touch with the church they were baptised at for a copy certificate if you do not already have one available. For First Holy Communion the minimum age is 7. For Confirmation the minimum age is 13.

RCIA: Those who wish to become a Catholic are asked to put their name and contact details down on the form at the back of the Church. We will be in touch in September to begin classes to take this group forward. Please share this information with anyone you know that would be interested.

St Vincent and Padre Pio Deliverance and Healing Convention at Pantasaph, Wales. 22nd August 2026

A coach is being organised for the Annual St Vincent and Padre Pio Deliverance and Healing Convention at Pantasaph, Wales, to be held on Saturday, the 22nd August 2026 (inclusive of Calvary Hill excursion).

The coach will leave from St Ethelbert's church at 5.30am (assemble at 5.15pm sharp) and leave Pantasaph at 5.30pm after a short visit to Prestatyn beach. Please give your name and coach charge of £45 (lunch will be provided) with Margaret/Natty on / 07878 851787 07397149269. Booking needs to be confirmed and paid before 5th Aug 2026. We can also be contacted for parking alternatives.

Retrouvaille: MARRIAGE IN A RUT? Or need help with deeper issues?

Retrouvaille has helped thousands of couples find hope and healing in their marriage.

Next dates: 2nd - 4th Oct. www.retrouvaille.org.uk/info Tel: 0788 7296983

DIOCESE OF NORTHAMPTON DISCERNMENT DAY FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Are you wondering whether God may be calling you to the priesthood? If you are seeking to deepen your relationship with Christ and explore God's plan for your life, you are warmly invited to attend a Discernment Day for Vocations to the Priesthood.

Date: Saturday, 8 August **Time:** 10:30 a.m. **Venue:** St Augustine Catholic Church, 1 Langcliffe Drive, Milton Keynes

The day will include prayer, reflection, Mass, fellowship, and opportunities to speak with priests and others discerning God's call. It is open to young men and men aged 16 and above who are considering a vocation to the Catholic priesthood in the Diocese of Northampton. For further information or to register, please contact: Fr. Pius, Vocations Director, Diocese of Northampton, Email: vocationsdirector@northamptondiocese.org Tel: 01753 523147

Car Park: Please ensure that when you visit the church you put your car registration into the parking tablet at the back of the church.