



**OUR LADY IMMACULATE AND ST. ETHELBERT'S PARISH,
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15th Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)

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

SUN:12/7/2026 MASS: 9:00am Lynessa 21 st Birthday MASS: 11.00am: MASS: 6.30pm Paul De Araujo RIP, Concy Fernandes RIP, Marion Joseph 10 th Work Anniversary
MON: 9.00am: Morning Prayer 9.30am A. Macdonald RIP, Philip Fernandes RIP, Alexo & Ivy 25 th Wedding Anniversary, Torah Private Int.
TUES: No Morning Prayer & No Mass
WED: Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 4pm – 6.30pm MASS 6.30pm
THURS: 9.30am: Morning Prayer Mass: 10.00am Fr. Joseph Clemente RIP Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 10.30am – 1.00pm
FRIDAY: Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 10am – 12.30pm MASS: 12:30pm A. Macdonald RIP, Samilton Mark Fernandes Birthday
SATURDAY: 9.30am: Morning Prayer 10.00am Socorrina Rodrigues Thanksgiving
SUN:19/7/2026 MASS: 9:00am Deslon D'Souza 7 th Birthday MASS: 11.00am: 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 during this period if he is not already in the confessional.
OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK: THURSDAY 1pm until 7pm – Please come to the Presbytery with your enquiries.

MINISTRIES:

Readers for this Sunday, 12th July

9am Mass: Lucio D, John Jude O, Reece G.

11am Mass: Clara, C, Rose L, Dorothy

6.30pm Mass:

Readers for Next Sunday, 19th July

9am Mass: Oscar, Jim B, Precious Q.

11am Mass: Jolisha, Leanne, Delisha

6.30pm Mass:

Eucharistic Ministers for this Sunday, 12th July

9am Mass: Millie A, Evelyn P, John McN.

11am Mass: Cecilia JP, John I, Rosemary M.

6.30pm Mass: Seby, Sr. Susan, John

Next Sunday Eucharistic Ministers, 19th July

9am Mass: Sr. Caroline, Agness S, Sr. Pauline

11am Mass: John I, Clara C, Marcelline M.

6.30pm Mass: Clement, Cyrus, Lucas

OFFERTORY PROCESSION

This Sunday: 11am Marcelline

Next Sunday:

Our Readings:

First Reading: Isaiah 55:10-11

The rain makes the earth bring forth and sprout.

Psalms: 65(64):10a- d. 10e-11. 12-13. 14. R. Luke 8:8

Some seed fell into good soil and yielded its fruit.

Second Reading: Romans 8:18-23

The creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God.

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-23

A Sower went out to sow

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

St Ethelbert's Bank Details for Bank Transfers:

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NOTICES:

Up-coming Second Collection: A second collection to support the work of Stella Maris (formerly, the Apostleship of the Sea), the official maritime charity of the Catholic Church, will be held this Sunday 12th July at all masses.

There will also be a second collection on Sunday 19th July for the Outreach BBQ.

Changes to services this week: Please note that this Monday, 13th July, morning prayer will take place at 9am and mass will be at 9.30am, this is to enable a funeral to take place in the morning. We kindly ask that all cars are removed from the car park after the morning mass to allow the funeral parties to have sufficient parking.

Also, on Tuesday 14th July, there will be no morning prayer and no mass.

Gift Aid on the Card Transaction Machine: Those of you who wish to give their offering via credit or debit card can do so on the card transaction machine at the back of the church. You can choose to link it to the gift aid scheme if you are a tax payer and we (St Ethelbert's Parish) can claim 25% of your offering back from the government with no extra cost to you. When prompted on the machine choose gift aid and put in your name and address (this is a one-time request only i.e. you will not need to do this again unless you change your card). This will be linked to the card you used to donate going forward. If you change your card you will need to put in your name and address again. If you need help, please feel free to speak to a member of the team.

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.

Apostolic Administrator Archbishop Richard Moth: We have received a letter from our Apostolic Administrator, Archbishop Richard Moth which is available to view on our notice board and electronic versions of our newsletter.

Summer Outreach BBQ: Our annual Summer Outreach BBQ will take place on Saturday, 25th July at 12pm. Volunteers to help organise and run this event are required. 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. We will have a meeting with those willing to help on Saturday, 18th July after the morning mass. We are also requesting your help and support for items towards the BBQ, if you are able to help, please provide details on the list at the back of the church so that we have an idea of what is coming in.

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.



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Dear brothers and sisters,

As you may know, Pope Leo has appointed me Apostolic Administrator for the Diocese of Northampton. I am aware that this is a difficult time of uncertainty for our whole diocese. Amid these challenges, I want to thank you sincerely for everything you are doing to support your priests and deacons and keep our communities vibrant and stable. You are all in my prayers.

Over the past few weeks, I have met with the diocesan leadership teams and trustees to understand the current situation and plan the way forward.

It is my intention to spend a good part of one day a week in the Diocese and, in between times, to liaise with Canon Michael Harrison, in his capacity as Vicar General and with Canon Christopher Perry, in his role as Moderator of the Curia.

Regarding upcoming celebrations of the sacrament of Confirmation, we will keep the current arrangements in place. The local Deans will continue to administer the Sacrament as planned.

Please join me in praying for everyone affected by the ongoing situation involving Bishop David. Let us also pray for one another as we work together in the Vineyard of the Lord in our parishes, schools and religious communities.

With every Blessing,

Apostolic Administrator