



**OUR LADY IMMACULATE AND ST. ETHELBERT'S PARISH,
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PENTECOST SUNDAY OF EASTER (A)

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

SUN: 24/5/2026 MASS: 9:00am Saxida Pagnioni RIP, Oscar Fernandes Birthday Thanksgiving,
Jessica Birthday, Fredy & Ruzadina Thanksgiving **MASS: 11.00am: MASS: 6.30pm**

MON: 9.30am: Morning Prayer 10.00am A. Macdonald RIP, Baby Zyla Cortez RIP

TUES: 9.30am: Morning Prayer 10.00am

WED: Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 4pm – 6.30pm
MASS 6.30pm Jenny Joyce RIP, Carlos Pereira RIP, Irfan & Family Wellbeing,
Gloria & Charles Oforka Wedding Anniversary

THURS: No Morning Prayer Mass: 6.30pm Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 4pm – 6.30pm

FRIDAY: Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 10am – 12.30pm
MASS: 12:30pm A. Macdonald RIP, **Praise & Worship 7pm – 9pm**

SATURDAY: 9.30am: Morning Prayer Mass: 10.00am Denzil Menezes RIP

SUN: 31/5/2026 MASS: 9:00am MASS: 11.00am: MASS: 6.30pm

CONFESSIONS: Available this week on, Wednesday & 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: NO OFFICE HOURS THIS THURSDAY

MINISTRIES:

Readers for this Sunday, 24th May

9am Mass: Perase T, Jemima, Salome F.

11am Mass: Jolisha S, Jeremy, Simona T

6.30pm Mass:

Readers for Next Sunday, 31st May

9am Mass: Steve S, Reece G, Rainda

11am Mass: Clara C, Morleen C, Anelee S.

6.30pm Mass:

Eucharistic Ministers for this Sunday, 24th May

9am Mass: John McN, Sr. Pauline, Sr. Caroline

11am Mass: John I, Jessicah M, Cecilia JP

6.30pm Mass: Clement, Cyrus, Lucas

Next Sunday Eucharistic Ministers, 31st May

9am Mass: Sr. Caroline, Evelyn P, Millie A.

11am Mass: Dorothy, Cecilia JP, Jessicah M.

6.30pm Mass: Seby, Sr. Susan, John McN.

OFFERTORY PROCESSION

This Sunday:

9am, 11am & 6.30pm: Youth Group

Next Sunday: 11am: Amelie & Family

Our Readings:

First Reading : Acts 2:1-11

They were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak

Psalm: 104(103):1ab, 24ac. 29b-30. 31, 34.R. cf.30

Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

In one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.

Gospel: John 20:19-23

As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you. Receive the Holy Spirit.

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**

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NOTICES: We welcome Fr. Emmanuel Akoto who will be spending a few days with us. Please do say hello when you meet him.

Confirmation Group: The Confirmation Group will attend the Blaze event this Saturday, 23rd May. Please make sure your children arrive at the church punctually. The coach will depart at 9am sharp.

Praise & Worship: Our monthly Praise and Worship which will take place on Friday, 29th May at 7pm – 9pm. All are welcome to this very special service.

Children's Choir: A Children's Choir (for children aged 5 – 13) is in the process of being set up. If any parent would like their child to join, please contact Vicky on mobile: 07342341100

Change to services this week: Please note that there will be **no morning prayer, confessions or office enquiries** this coming Thursday, 28th May. Adoration will be at 4pm followed by mass at 6.30pm as Father needs to attend a meeting during the day.

Offertory Envelopes: The new offertory envelopes (pink boxes) are available at the back of the church. Would those of you have registered please pick your box up as soon as possible. If you would like to receive an offertory box of envelopes, please see details below that also tie up with this scheme.

Gift Aid: If are a UK tax payer, please consider completing a gift aid declaration. Gift aid is a UK government scheme that allows us to reclaim basic-rate tax (20%) on donations from taxpayers, boosting the gift's value by 25% at no extra cost to the donor (i.e.you). For every £1 donated, we are able to claim an extra 25p.

Key Details of Gift Aid:

- **Value Boost:** A £10 donation is worth £12.50 to us.
- **Eligibility:** You must have paid enough UK Income Tax or Capital Gains Tax to cover the amount we will reclaim in the tax year.
- **How to Apply:** You must make a "Gift Aid declaration" to us, usually by signing a form..
- **What Qualifies:** Cash donations, including through standing order or regular payments into our bank account or one-off gifts, for St Ethelbert's church.

If you regularly transfer your offertory money into our bank account, please consider completing a gift aid declaration.

A list has been provided at the back of the church for your contact details if you would like to boost your donations. We can then get in touch with you and answer any further queries you might have.

Ordination of Deacon Chris Colaco: Deacon Chris Colaco who spent some time with us a little while ago will be ordained on Saturday 20th June at Northampton Cathedral. There are six places left. Please put your name down on the list at the back of the church if you are interested in attending. We will be arranging for a coach to take us there and back.

SVP: More volunteers are required for the St Vincent de Paul society in Slough. The SVP puts faith into action, tackling poverty in the local area, aiming to seek and find those in need, providing practical support and fellowship. We meet monthly at Holy Redeemer Church. The next SVP Slough meeting is Tuesday 26th May at 7:30pm. Any interested people will be welcome to attend or please contact our Slough President at PresidentE140604@svp.org.uk to express interest in helping our mission.

Summer Outreach BBQ: Weather permitting, we intend have our annual Summer Outreach BBQ 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 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.

First Aiders at Mass: We would like to put together a list of first aiders/those with medical training who attend masses at St Ethelberts and who could assist should a parishioner feel unwell while attending a service. If you feel you could help please put your name down on the list at the back of the church indicating which mass you come along to during the week and on Sundays.

ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM : Saturday, 13th June 2026. There will be Midday Mass and time for all Pilgrims of Hope to engage in private prayers and opportunities to see the Slipper Chapel and the Anglican Shrine. There will also be an option to walk the Holy Mile at 3pm and participate in the short service at the site of where the original Holy House was built. We will assemble at St Ethelbert's Church, Slough, to depart to Walsingham at 7:30 AM. We will leave Walsingham around 6:00 PM . Tickets are £35 per adult and £25 for children under 15. Please contact Edward on 07802 753575, or Natty on 07397 149269. If you are interested in going along please put your names down on the list at the back of the church by Sunday 31st May at the very latest. Please also note, those of you who are picking up the coach from St Ethelbert's Church should note the car parking restrictions we have and should also avoid parking on site to avoid impact on services taking places at the church during the day.

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.

Called & Equipped 2026-27: Want to go deeper in your faith? Is now the time to take the next step? Our year-long Called & Equipped discipleship course begins again this September, offering a foundation in Catholic teaching and a journey of faith formation, with a like-minded community. This course is for anyone active in parish life or coming into ministry. Sign up to our introductory webinar on Wednesday 24th June, 7:30 – 8:30pm: <https://northamptondiocese.org/called-equipped/>