

# STS. PETER AND PAUL

June 29th

## FROM THE PARISH PRIEST

This Sunday, we celebrate the great solemnity of Saint Peter and Saint Paul, two heroic titans of our faith!

In celebrating these two incredible individuals together, we are reminded of three things!

The first is that as followers of Christ, we need each others prayers and support to help us become saints. Saint Peter and Saint Paul worked together to proclaim Christ

The second is that in these two individuals, we are reminded that our Lord doesn't choose the qualified, rather he qualifies those whom He calls.

Finally, these two titans of our faith were both transformed by their encounter with Jesus.

SS Peter and Paul - pray for us!

## SAINT OF THE WEEK

### Saint Oliver Plunket

Saint Oliver Plunket was born on the 1<sup>st</sup> of November 1625 in Loughcrew in County Meath.

He was the Catholic Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland. during the period of great persecution for Catholics by the British Government.

Saint Oliver was the last victim of the so called Popish Plot and was martyred by being hung, drawn, and quartered on the 1<sup>st</sup> of July 1681.

Saint Oliver was beatified in 1920 and canonised in 1975. He became the first Irish Saint in almost seven hundred years!

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Saint Oliver Plunket

Pray for us!



## PARISH OFFICE OPENING TIMES

Monday - 10 am - 12 pm

Tuesday - 10 am - 12 pm

Wednesday - 10 am - 12 pm

Thursday - CLOSED

Friday - CLOSED

Sat. / Sun. - CLOSED

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[WWW.OURLADYHELPOFCHRISTIANS.CO.UK](http://WWW.OURLADYHELPOFCHRISTIANS.CO.UK)

## OPEN HOUSE

The next Open House will take place on **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> of July** between **5.30 pm - 6.30 pm** in the Father O'Connor Centre.

Open House is an opportunity to have any forms signed or to speak about the celebration of weddings or baptisms.

## POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS JULY

Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

## LUTON & DUNSTABLE PASTORAL AREA COUNCIL MEETING

The next Pastoral Area Council meeting will take place on Monday 30th June 2025 at Our Lady's.

The Meeting will begin with Mass at 7.30 pm.

## PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office has been relocated to the Father O'Connor Centre and will be open as usual, Monday - Wednesday 10 am - 12 pm. All enquiries should be made at the office.

## FR UGO'S SILVER JUBILEE

Fr Ugo will be celebrating the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his ordination on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June at 12.30 pm at St Margaret of Scotland church, followed by refreshments.

All are very welcome to celebrate this milestone and to pray for priests!

## PUBLIC ROSARY

There is an opportunity to pray the Rosary outside of the church (Castle Street side) from 4 pm every Sunday.

## WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE

There will be an opportunity for everyone to join the pilgrimage for the sanctity of life taking place on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> of August.

The pilgrimage will be led by Bishop John Keenan.

For more information and to book a place, please contact Kevin on [kevin.drew@btinternet.com](mailto:kevin.drew@btinternet.com) or 07802525581.

During this time of attacks on the dignity of life, let us all pray for a transformation of hearts.

## PARISH PICNIC

Our third annual Parish Picnic will take place on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July from 2 pm.

The picnic will take place at Stockwood Park - details on the noticeboard - followed by games!

All are very welcome!

## MAD HATTERS TEA PARTY

The Mad Hatters Tea Party will take place on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> of July in the Father O'Connor Centre from 12 pm - 3 pm. Tickets are available from the Parish Office at £5

All are welcome to join for some fun and friendship!

## FIRST FRIDAY VISITS

If you know of any family member or friends who are unable to get to Mass, but who would like to receive Holy Communion, please let the Parish Office know by Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> of July.

Fr Brendan will then visit with Holy Communion between 10 am - 12 pm.

Please continue to keep all of our brothers and sisters who are housebound and unwell in your thoughts and prayers.

## RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

A reminder that the reception of Holy Communion is for Catholics who have already celebrated their First Holy Communion.

If we receive Holy Communion on the hand, please consume the Sacred Host as soon as possible and in front of the priest or extraordinary minister.

## RETRouvaille MARRIAGE SUPPORT

Alone or bored in your marriage? Considering separation or are already divorced?

If you are open to try again – Retrouvaille could be the solution. We have helped thousands of couples get back on track.

To find out more visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk) or call 07973 380443

## FAMILY MUSIC FESTIVAL

Fiddles, flutes, n Cowboy boots at Offley Recreation Centre raising money for local charities Young @ Heart, Luton Irish Forum, Boxing Saves Lives.

Tickets are available from Ticket Source and the event will take place at Holy Ghost Parish on the 9<sup>th</sup> of July.

## SAFEGUARDING

Bishop David Oakley is available to meet anyone affected by abuse. Contact via the safeguarding office 01604 723514 or by email [safeguarding@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:safeguarding@northamptondiocese.org)

## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"I can do all things through him who strengthens me!"

- Philippians 4:13:

## REQUIESCAT IN PACE

Please pray for all of those who have died. In a particular way, please pray for the following whose funeral will take place here at Our Lady Help of Christians.

**-John Woods** whose reception into church will take place on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> of July at 6 pm followed by a Funeral Mass on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> of July at 11.30 am.

**-Rose Wilson** whose reception into church will take place on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> of July at 6pm followed by a Funeral Mass on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> of July at 10 am.

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace! Amen.*

## HOLY WATER CONTAINER

To raise some funds to help pay towards a new holy water container in the narthex of the church, the Little Helpers of Our Lady will be organising a cake sale which will take place **THIS SUNDAY**.



## PARISH PRAYERS

**Please pray for:** Danny Harding, Sally Rhodes, Robert Roe, Alexander El-Lamaa, Agnieszka Daniel, Christopher Parfitt, Jimmy, Tina, John McCormick, Mary Williams, Michael Curtin, and all who are sick.

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**Please pray for:** Johanna O'leary, Caterina La Viola, Thomas O'Boyle, Francis Farrell, Augustine Abara, Bill Molloy, Mary Marshall, Jane Matthews, Margarette Spring, Brandon Cassian, and all our loved ones who have died.

## NATHANIEL BOYD

This summer we will be joined by Nathaniel Boyd, a seminarian studying at the North American College.

Nathaniel will be with us for several weeks to experience life in a parish as part of his formation towards the Sacred Priesthood.

Nathaniel will be joining us from the 4<sup>th</sup> of July!

## TIMOTHÉE CROUX

This summer we will be joined by Timothée Croux, a seminarian studying at the French College in Rome.

Timothée will be with us for several weeks to experience life in a parish as well as improve his English.

Timothée will be joining us from the 7<sup>th</sup> of July!

## BECKET FESTIVAL

To celebrate Saint Thomas Becket, patron of our Diocese, and marking 175 years of the Diocese of Northampton, there will be an anniversary Mass on Saturday, 5th July at 12:00 noon.

If you wish to attend, please confirm to the Parish Office as places are limited. You are welcome to bring a Parish banner or flag for the procession.

There will also be an opportunity to take part in the annual Becket Lecture at 3 pm delivered by Fr Andrew Coy who is currently secretary to the Apostolic Nuncio. He will deliver the Becket Lecture on the theme "Becket: A Saint for Europe", followed by Vespers at 4:15pm.

Come and join this joyful diocesan celebration of faith, history, and community.

## OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

We encourage all taxpayers enrolled on the scheme to register for Gift Aid in order for our parish to claim 25% extra on donations. Please ask at the Parish Office for a Gift Aid declaration form to complete.

Anyone interested in joining the scheme should contact the Parish Office for a set of Giving Envelopes.

## CONTACTLESS DONATIONS

If you would like to make your offering via card, this can be done using the Dona Card Machine at the back of the church.

All major payment types accepted. Please do not forget to Gift Aid if eligible - it is simple and only has to be done once on the machine.

## PARISH OFFERTORY

If you would like to make an offering to the ministry of the parish online, please use the bank details below:

**Bank:** Natwest

**Account Name:** Our Lady Help of Christians

**Sort Code:** 60-06-11

**Account Number:** 91052181

## MASS READINGS AND PRAYERS

Please scan the QR code to access the daily Mass readings and prayers.



# LITURGIES AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

<b>SUNDAY</b> 29 <sup>th</sup> June  Saint Peter & Saint Paul	9 am ADORATION 9.30 am MASS  11 am ADORATION 11.30 am MASS  5 pm MASS	Michael & Mary Brean Int., Fr Ugo Int., Julia Ring Birthday Int.  Kevin Drew Int., Margaret Moriarty RIP, Mary Naughton RIP.  Pro Populo, Fr Ugo Int., Kevin Drew Int.
<b>MONDAY</b> 30 <sup>th</sup> June First Martyrs of Rome	7 am MASS (Latin)  12 pm ADORATION & CONFESSIONS 12.45 pm MASS  7.30 pm MASS	Fr Ugo Int.  Frances Gibbons Int., Mick Herlihy RIP, Patrick Crotty RIP.  Pastoral Area
<b>TUESDAY</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> July  S. Oliver Plunket	7 am MASS (Latin)  12 pm ADORATION & CONFESSIONS 12.45 pm MASS	Fr Richard Barrett Int.  David Family Int., Erica Beary RIP, D. Beary RIP, Michael Beary RIP.
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> July  Votive Mass of S. Joseph	7 am MASS (Latin)	Fr Eustace Int., Akachi Ogbonna Int., Ned Conors RIP.
<b>THURSDAY</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	NO PUBLIC MASS TODAY	
<b>FRIDAY</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> July  S. Elizabeth of Portugal	12 pm ADORATION & CONFESSIONS  12.45 pm MASS	Pro Populo.
<b>SATURDAY</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> July  Votive Mass of Our Lady	9 am ADORATION & CONFESSIONS  9.30 am MASS (Followed by veneration of the relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis)	Santana Dias Int., Mark Proudfoot RIP.
<b>SUNDAY</b> 6 <sup>th</sup> July  14th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9 am ADORATION 9.30 am MASS  11 am ADORATION 11.30 am MASS  5 pm MASS	Julia Ring Birthday Int., Brendan Purdy RIP, Patrick Cronin RIP, Frank Brennan RIP.  Pro Populo  Pro Populo