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### Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May / Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2025 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

Date	Time	Intentions	
Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	09.30 am SFA 06.30 pm SP	Robinson, RIP Dominic Fernandes, RIP	SS Philip and James
Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> May	09.00 am SFA 11.00 am SP 05.15 pm SFA	Steven & Gerry Cremin, RIP Maya & Victor Fernandes Intentions Yolande Lynne Stephens, RIP	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> May	10.00 am SP 09.30 am SFA	Private Intention Word & Communion	
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> May	09.30 am SFA	Word & Communion	
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> May	09.30 am SP 07.30 pm SFA	Irene May Arrowsmith Word & Communion	
Thu 8 <sup>th</sup> May	09.30 am SFA	Word & Communion	
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> May	09.30 am SP 09.30 am SFA	Word & Communion Word & Communion	
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> May	09.30 am SFA 06.30 pm SP	Mike, for good health Fr. Emmanuelle Mansford Intentions	St. John of Avila
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup> May	09.00 am SFA 11.00 am SP 05.15 pm SFA	Deceased members of the Keohane Family Garney Family Intentions Peter Simpson, Deceased	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter The Good Shepherd Sunday
<b>Confessions</b>	<b>Saturdays:</b> 10.00-10.30am (SFA) & 5.45 – 6.15 pm (SP)		
<b>Adoration</b>	<b>Wednesdays:</b> 7-7.30 pm (SFA), <b>Fridays</b> 7 –8pm (SP)		
<b>Rosary</b>	30 minutes before weekday Masses		

\*SFA (St. Francis of Assisi Church, Shefford), \*SP (St. Peter's Church, Biggleswade)

### SVP St Francis & St Peter's

Contact the SVP for support on 07526 753986 or email [PresidentE140104@svp.org.uk](mailto:PresidentE140104@svp.org.uk)

### Anniversaries in May

Yvonne Yolande Davies (2013), John Vincent Kelly (2011), Margaret Organ (2003), Agnes Henrietta Clements (2007), Edward Douglas Seymour Smith (2009), Pamela Wale (2009), James Cameron (2012), Laura Grant (2013), James Anthony O'Shea (2011), Wolfgang Eckert (2001), Frederick Charles Humbley (2004), John Patrick Gaffney (2001), James Anthony Duggar (2019), Gaban Tembo (2001), Albert Keegan (2005), Dennis Palin (2006)

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



## PARISH NOTICES

### Requiescat in pace

**Mr. Lucio Marabese**, whose Requiem Mass will be on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 at 11am, at St. Francis, Shefford.

### Easter House Blessings

There is a beautiful tradition of blessing the houses during the season of Easter. Those who would like their houses to be blessed, kindly write your name, address, the date and the time on the paper that is placed at the back of the Church.

### Conclave

The Cardinals present in Rome will begin the Conclave on 7 May 2025 in the Sistine Chapel, which will be closed to visitors during this time. Let us pray that they be filled with the promptings of the Holy Spirit in electing the successor of St. Peter.

### Quiz Night – 16th May, Friday (St. Peter's)

Our Quiz Night is finally here and tickets will be on sale before and after all Masses for the next few weeks until Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May. Tickets are £10 and this includes a fish, chicken or vegetarian supper. We open at 7pm for a 7.30 start and there will of course be a raffle with some lovely prizes, and this will be in aid of Sue Ryder, a local and deserving charity. Please come along and join us. Thank you for your continued support.  
Your Social Club

### Rosary Rally – 17<sup>th</sup> May, Saturday (St. Francis)

UCM (Union of Catholic Mothers) are conducting the Rosary Rally at St. Francis on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May from 11am to 3.30pm with lunch break at 1pm. Please bring packed lunch. Refreshments will be served.

### Sacrament of Confirmation - Registration

Preparation for the Confirmation will begin soon and those who have not yet registered their names are requested to do so immediately. You must be 11 years of age or over on 31st August 2025.

	St. Francis	St. Peter's
<b>Collection of 26/27 April</b>	£338.40	£416.70
<b>Standing Orders</b>	£130	£420
<b>Holy Places Collection</b>	£176.13	£268.05

Please contact Neil Spencer ([confirmation@st-peters.uk](mailto:confirmation@st-peters.uk); 07910 211824) or Liz Carey-Sheill (for Shefford – [lizcareysheill@gmail.com](mailto:lizcareysheill@gmail.com)).

### SVP St Francis & St Peter's

The SVP through your support provided an Easter Egg for every child at a local women's Refuge & also eggs for an Easter Egg hunt, their Play Therapist advised 'The Easter Egg Hunt went really well and they all enjoyed! Thanks again for supplying the eggs.'

### Jubilee Mission Evenings led by Mission Northampton

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May, 7.30 - 9pm on zoom: Please register in order to receive the zoom link. <https://northamptondiocese.org/courses/jesus-our-hope-online-with-mission-northampton/>

The evening will include prayer, reflecting on God's Word, testimony, music and guest speaker Pete Burak from Renewal Ministries, USA.

### Pilgrimage to Knock

Jubilee Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 8<sup>th</sup> June 2025. £799.00 pps. Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 4 nights in 4\* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Museum of Country Life. Single supplement on enquiry. Contact 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com).

### NYMO – D-Summer Weekend Calling all young people of the Northampton Diocese!

We'll be gathering young people from across the diocese for a residential weekend of games, discussions, activities, socialising and prayer. Come meet new people, reconnect with old friends and share in a mountain-top moment.

When: 11–13 July 2025

Where: Sion Catholic Community, SENT, Brentwood, Essex CM15 9BX (Transport provided)

Who: Ages 11–18

Cost: £90 (£80 without transport)

More info: [nymo.org/d-summer](http://nymo.org/d-summer)

### Second Collections

**This Week:** Diocesan Priests Training Fund

**18<sup>th</sup> May:** Diocesan Bishops' Fund (Bishops' Maintenance Fund)