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EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD 5th April 2026

Date	Time	Intentions	
Sat 4 th April	09.30 am SFA 08.30 pm SFA 08.30 pm SP	Office of Readings and Morning Prayers For all the newly baptised Joe and Babs Hennelly, RIP	Easter Vigil
Sun 5 th April	09.00 am SFA 10.30 am SFA 11.00 am SP 11.45 am SFA	Steven & Gerry Cremin, RIP People of the Parishes Marijana Evans family intentions & Marcela Rodrigues, RIP (1 st Anniversary) Telugu Mass	Easter Sunday
Mon 6 th April	9.30 am SFA 10.00 am SP	Julie Cameron intentions K. P. Joseph, RIP	Easter Octave
Tues 7 th April	9.30 am SFA	Ellie Docherty & family intentions	Easter Octave
Wed 8 th April	9.30 am SP 7.30 pm SFA	Irene May Arrowsmith, RIP Word & Communion	Easter Octave
Thu 9 th April	08.00 pm SFA	Catherine & Monica Weekes	Easter Octave
Fri 10 th April	09.30 am SP 09.30 am SFA	John Backshall, RIP Word & Communion	Easter Octave
Sat 11 th April	09.30 am SFA 06.30 pm SP	John Flanagan intentions Rosario Di Marco, RIP (1 st Anniversary)	Easter Octave
Sun 12 th April	09.00 am SFA 11.00 am SP 05.15 pm SFA	John Ina & Paul Kane, RIP Alban & Julie Macdonald intentions The Flinn family intentions	2 nd Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday
Confessions	Saturdays: 10.00-10.30am (SFA), 5.45 – 6.15 pm (SP)		
Adoration	Wednesdays: 7-7.30 pm (SFA) Fridays: 10-10.30am (SFA), 10–10.30am (SP), 7–8pm (SP)		
Rosary	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 SVP on 07526 753986 or email PresidentE140104@svp.org.uk

Anniversaries in April

Mary Ellen Nugent (2000), John Sullivan (2000), Maddalena Ortone (2000), Michael McCarthy (2001), Ann Cassidy (2002), Michael Degning (2002), Michael Reilly (2002), Hyacinth Hughes (2003), Grace Emma Burn (2003) Baby Enya Grace Quirke (2003), Thelma Betty Dutchman (2004), Mary Golden (2005), Patrick McCartney (2005), Evan O'Sullivan (2005), John Edward Horner (2007), Elizabeth Green (2008), Winifred Richardson (2011), Mary Helen Mariorty (2012), Edmund Terence Reid (2012), Karl Zouhar (2013), Eileen Mannelly (2013), Thomas Irvine (2015), Alexander McNicholas (2016), Kitty Balfe (2020), Shirley Ann Gleeson (2021), Sally Ann Hearn (2024), Lucio Marabese (2025), Catherine Buckley (2025), Christopher Corcoran (2025), Rosario Di Marco (2025), Dr. Charles Enzo Oduu Andi (2025)

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord... May they rest in peace. Amen.

PARISH NOTICES

Requiescat in pace

Mrs. Katherine Smiley, whose Requiem Mass will be on Thursday 16th April, 2026 at 12pm, at St. Francis, Shefford.

Divine Mercy Sunday Celebrations at St. Francis & St. Peter's (12.04.2025)

Immediately after the Sunday morning Masses, we have the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction.

Volunteer First Aiders Needed (St. Francis)

St. Francis of Assisi Church is seeking members of the congregation who are qualified in First Aid and would be willing to assist should a medical incident occur during Mass or other church activities. Your support will help ensure that assistance is available should anyone in our congregation require urgent care.

If you hold a current First Aid qualification and are willing to help in this important role, please make yourself known to Fr. Prasad or Deacon Peter.

Protect yourself from fraud

We have been offered access to free Fraud Protect Advice training by the police. Richard Kubon, Fraud Protect Development Officer from Leicestershire Police, will be delivering accessible training on Wednesday 22nd April, from 6.30 pm to 8 pm, at St. Edward's Parish Hall, Kettering. In order to cater for refreshments, you need to register your interest by emailing laura.lester@northamptondiocese.org

Life in the Spirit Seminar

The Life in the Spirit seminars are returning in April, with sessions being held online to allow as many people as possible from the diocese to attend. The online sessions will be on 28th April, 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th of May, and 2nd June. There will be an in-person Baptism in The Holy Spirit retreat day, which will be held at Our Lady, Help of Christians, in Chapel Langley, Luton on 23rd May.

	St. Francis	St. Peter's
Last week's Collections	£265.60	£373.40
Standing Orders	£130	£420

The God Who Speaks – Our Liturgy of the Word

Join us for a series of online Zoom sessions exploring the upcoming Lectionary readings and the seasons of the Liturgical Year. These evenings offer a valuable opportunity to deepen our engagement with the Scriptures proclaimed at Mass.

Led by the **Liturgical Formation Team**, with presentations from

Fr Andrew Behrens, Liz Clark, Dcn Peter Collins, Fr Jaismon Francis MSFS, Fr Allan Jones CRIC, and Mgr Kevin McGinnell.

Next Session: Wednesday 8 April 2026

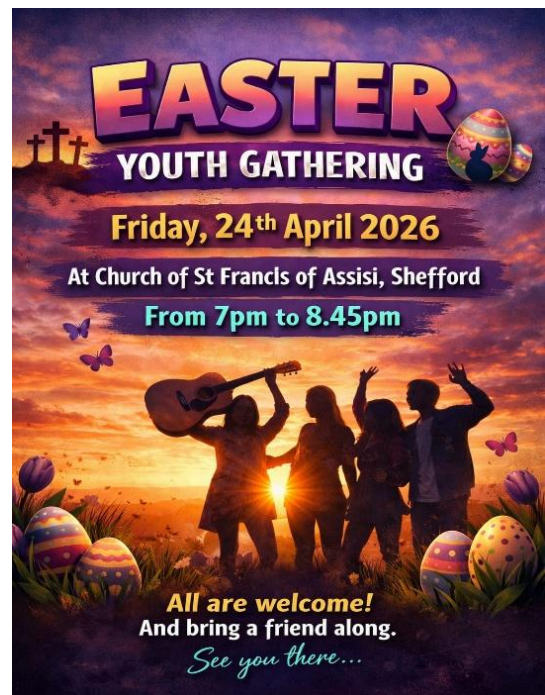
Future 2026 Dates:

- 8 July – Summer Ordinary Time
- 9 September – Autumn Ordinary Time
- 11 November – Advent & Christmas (Year B)

All sessions run **7:30–8:30pm** and include prayer, input, and time for comments and questions.

Cost: Free, with an option to make a donation.

Please register in advance to secure a place by emailing deaconpeter.collins@northamptondiocese.org



I wish you all a very Happy Easter!

May the Risen Christ bless all of us with his peace, joy and love!

Jesus is Risen! Alleluia!