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### TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

**13<sup>th</sup> September 2026**

| Date                       | Time                                                                                             | Intentions                                                                                                              |                                              |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| Sat 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept  | 9.30 am SFA<br>12 noon SFA<br>6.30 pm SP                                                         | Caroline Armstrong intentions<br>Memorial Service of David Francis Keane<br>Jim & Catherine Tamelty Ruby Ann intentions | The Most Holy Name of Mary                   |
| Sun 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept  | 9.00 am SFA<br>11.00 am SP<br>5.15 pm SFA                                                        | Margaret Reece, RIP<br>Angela Atkins, RIP<br>Rev. James Dunne, RIP                                                      | <b>Twenty Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time</b> |
| Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> Sept  | 9.30 am SP<br>9.30 am SFA                                                                        | For the people of the parishes<br>Word & Communion                                                                      | The Exaltation of the Holy Cross             |
| Tues 15 <sup>th</sup> Sept | 9.30 am SFA                                                                                      | Frank Kane, RIP                                                                                                         | Our Lady of Sorrows                          |
| Wed 16 <sup>th</sup> Sept  | 9.30 am SP<br>7.30 pm SFA                                                                        | Private intention<br>Word & Communion                                                                                   | Ss Cornelius and Cyprian                     |
| Thu 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept  | 9.30 am SFA                                                                                      | Lynne Stevens, RIP (FM)                                                                                                 |                                              |
| Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Sept  | 9.30 am SP<br>9.30 am SFA                                                                        | Private intention<br>Word & Communion                                                                                   |                                              |
| Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> Sept  | 9.30 am SFA<br>1.00 pm SFA<br>6.30 pm SP                                                         | Deceased Members of Hamblin family (FM)<br>Wedding of Rachel Fernandes and David Ball<br>Joe and Babs Kennelly RIP      |                                              |
| Sun 20 <sup>th</sup> Sept  | 9.00 am SFA<br>11.00 am SP<br>5.15 pm SFA                                                        | Mary McDaid, RIP<br>Paul Day Birthday<br>Mary Makin, RIP                                                                | <b>Twenty Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>  |
| <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> 10-10.30am (SFA), 10-10.30am (SP), 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 SVP on 07526 753986 or email [PresidentE140104@svp.org.uk](mailto:PresidentE140104@svp.org.uk)

### Anniversaries in September

Eva Mary Cooper (2000), John Cottam (2001), Peter John Mallet Mote (2002), Annie Christopher (2003), Patricia Frost (2003), Maria Taylor (2004), Patrick Sullivan (2004), Thomas Collins (2004), Mary Nunn (2005), Jean Terry (2005), Mary Jane O'Brien (2005), Baby Dover (2006), Nora Quinn (2007), Kathleen Henry (2007), Paul Maher (2008), Shae Nicholas Honey (2010), Gilbert Joseph Daly (2012), Margaret Thatcher (2013), Carl Daniel Tomlin (2013), Winifred Prosser (2013), Ivan Desmond Stanslaus (2013), Monique Giselle Matthews (2014), Pier Luigi Baffoni (2020), Eddie O'Callaghan (2021), Margaret Rees (2025), Peter Edward Crawley (2025)

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

## PARISH NOTICES

**St. Francis' Jubilee Year Resources (Please scan the QR code)**



### **Jubilee Pilgrimages to St. Francis of Assisi, Shefford**

As we are in the Jubilee Year of St. Francis of Assisi, all the parishes in our Bedfordshire Deanery are making a pilgrimage to our parish of St. Francis in Shefford. The details of the pilgrimages of the parishes are as follows:

26<sup>th</sup> September: St. Joseph's & Our Lady's, Christ the King

4<sup>th</sup> October: St. Francis and St. Peter's Biggleswade

(Feast of St. Francis of Assisi)

17<sup>th</sup> October: Sacred Heart at Flitwick & Leighton Buzzard

We will have nine days of Novena prayers in preparation for the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi at Shefford.

25<sup>th</sup> September: 1<sup>st</sup> day Novena Mass at Shefford at 9.30am

26<sup>th</sup>–30<sup>th</sup> September: Novena prayers after the Masses

1<sup>st</sup>–3<sup>rd</sup> October: Triduum Masses at St. Francis, Shefford at 9.30am

3<sup>rd</sup> October (Saturday): Vigil Mass at St. Peter's at 6.30pm

**4<sup>th</sup> October (Sunday): Masses are at St. Francis, Shefford at 9am, 11am and 5.15pm (Please note there is no 11am Mass at St. Peter's, Biggleswade)**

We extend a warm and hearty welcome to all the pilgrims from different parishes of our Bedfordshire Deanery.

### **MACMILLAN Coffee Morning at St. Peter's**

It is on Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> of September 11am until 2pm.

We will be serving teas, coffee and a splendid selection of lovely cakes, savouries and of course a raffle for this amazing charity. It would be wonderful if you could join us, or if you can't - there will be a donation box after Masses that weekend. It is such a worthwhile cause and will be helping people throughout the UK. Any donations of cakes, savouries and raffle prizes will be gratefully received on the day or speak to a member of the Social Club if you have any questions. More importantly it would be lovely to see you on the day.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Social Club Committee

### **Emmaus Scripture Talks**

The Emmaus Scripture Talks return this autumn at St Joseph's Church, Gerrards Cross, offering an opportunity to encounter Christ through Scripture and reflect on its place in daily life and faith.

Talks take place on Wednesdays from 7.30pm–9pm:

7<sup>th</sup> October, 4<sup>th</sup> November and 2<sup>nd</sup> December.

Speakers include Charles Whitehead, Fr Theophilus Nyamali OCD, Fr Simon Penhalagan and Deacon Peter Collins.

All are welcome.

### **Exploring the Psalms led by Fr. John Udris**

Flitwick Parish Retreat is at Buckden Towers on

Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> September 2026 from 9.30 am - 3.45 pm.

Tickets £20. Those who are interested may please contact Suzanne or email [sm Yates47@gmail.com](mailto:sm Yates47@gmail.com)

### **OCIA**

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is the liturgical and pastoral process by which adults become Catholic. It was formerly commonly called RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults).

It seeks to accompany people who are freely seeking God after hearing the Gospel, helping them grow in faith and conversion before receiving the sacraments of initiation.

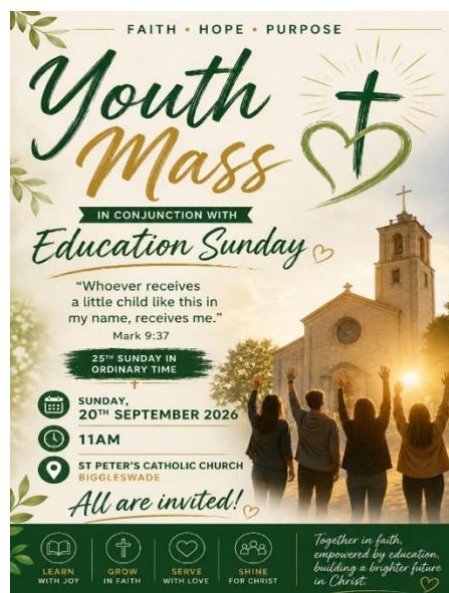
The three sacraments of initiation unite a person to Christ and the Church: Baptism incorporates the person into God's people, Confirmation strengthens this incorporation through the Holy Spirit, and the Eucharist (Holy Communion) brings the person into full participation in the Church's sacramental life.

**The OCIA program will be starting on the evening of the 30<sup>th</sup> September at 8pm (after Word and Communion Service), this program will be completed at Easter 2027 where participants will be accepted into full communion in the Church.**

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### **Youth Mass and Education Sunday on 20<sup>th</sup> September**

The next Youth Mass will be at 11am Mass at St Peter's on 20<sup>th</sup> September and we shall also celebrate it as the Education Sunday as the new academic year has begun.



### **Second Collection**

#### **Next Week: Bishop's Conference**

|                                | <b>St. Francis</b> | <b>St. Peter's</b> |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Last week's Collections</b> | £406.10            | £382.26            |
| <b>Standing Orders</b>         | £130               | £420               |