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FROM THE PARISH PRIEST

I will be away for an overnight retreat with some brother priests from Monday afternoon until Tuesday evening at the National Shrine of Walsingham.

Whilst there, we will no doubt go on pilgrimage to the replica house of Our Lady that was visited by the Archangel Gabriel on the occasion of the Annunciation.

To think that one of the most incredible events in history took place in a house that looked so ordinary, so insignificant, is a reminder of the humility of our God in taking on our flesh to redeem us from sin and bring us to salvation.

It is this humility that Christ challenges us to imitate in this Sunday's Gospel when He calls us, "not to lord it over others" but rather "to serve!" Let us pray that we may serve each other always!

Oremus pro invicem!

SAINT OF THE WEEK ST PIUS OF PIETRELCINA

St Pius of Pietrelcina, more commonly known as "Padre Pio", was born in the small village of Pietrelcina in southern Italy.

He joined the Capuchin Friars at the age of 16 and became a priest seven years later. He spent fifty years in the Monastery of San Giovanni Rotondo, where he was very much sought after as a spiritual director, confessor, and intercessor.

Many miracles were popularly ascribed to him during his lifetime.

He died a few days after the fiftieth anniversary of his receiving the stigmata (the wounds of Jesus on the Cross).

Over 100,000 people attended his funeral and he is one of the most popular saints in the Catholic Church.

*St Pius of Pietreclina
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

Saturday / Sunday - CLOSED

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MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the following whose funerals will take place over the next few weeks.

-**Martin McMahon** whose Funeral Mass will take place on Tuesday 24th September at 10.30 am.

-**Catarina La Voila RIP** whose Funeral Service will take place on Monday 14th October at 11 am.

For Martin, Catarina, and for all those who have died, we pray,

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

PARISH FEAST DAY 2025

To celebrate the Universal Church's Jubilee Year of 2025 and to bless our new St Anthony's Garden, the Papal Nuncio will be offering the Mass for our Feast Day which will take place on Sunday 26th May 2025.

SARAH KROGER

There will be an evening of music with Sarah Kroger who will be joining us from Nashville, USA.

The event will take place on Wednesday 9th October.

Tickets will cost £10 (£5 for Under 18s and Students)

More details to follow!

PARISH REGISTRATION

Please use the following link to register as a member of the Parish (<https://www.caspar.church/me>) This is a great way to stay updated with Parish events.

RCIA

If you are interested in learning more about the beauty of the Catholic Faith or would like to become a Catholic, then the RCIA Programme is for you!

For more details, email the Parish Office or phone Kate on 07921 778507

SUNDAY VESPERS AND BENEDICTION

Public Vespers and Benediction will continue **THIS SUNDAY** at 4.15 pm.

PUBLIC ROSARY

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

CHURCH RESTORATION FUND

It is hoped that over the next few months and years, a number of projects for the church and parish centre will be completed.

These include restoring the baptismal font to the original baptistry, improving the facilities in the parish centre including installing a full kitchen and dividers to make better use of the space, creating a prayer garden at the back of the parish centre, and many more.

As with everything, these projects will require some funding. A new fund has been added to the card machine at the back of the church for anyone who would like to, and is able to, support some of these projects.

SELF DEFENCE CLASSES

THIS WEDNESDAY at 7 pm in the Parish Centre.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

9th October - An evening of music with Sarah Kroger.

1st November - All Saints Day Party for young people at 6 pm in the Parish Centre.

9th November - Morning Recollection for new and existing Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (10.30 am - 12 pm).

16th November - Morning Recollection for new and existing Lectors (10.30 am - 12 pm)

PILGRIM STATUE OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

Parishioners are invited to host a statue of Our Lady of Walsingham for a week at a time and pray for particular intentions while meditating on the Rosary.

The sign up - sheet is at the back of the church.

MASS TIMES

Please note that from Monday 14th October, the regular weekday Mass times will be as follows:

Monday - 7 am / 12.45 pm

Tuesday - 7 am / 12.45 pm

Wednesday - 7 am

Friday - 12.45 pm

Saturday - 9.30 am

Changes to the schedule may take place from time to time due to other Liturgies or Diocesan responsibilities.

A PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

“Protect them, guide them, and keep them in your heart. Be a Mother to them, especially in times of discouragement and loneliness. Love them and keep them belonging completely to Jesus! Amen”

Our Lady, Mother of Priests

CHURCH OPENING TIMES

With the new security measures currently in place, the church will be open from 6.30 am - 6.30 pm.

This will allow all of us to spend even a few moments with Jesus throughout the day.

WELCOME MASS

There will be a Mass on Tuesday 24th of September at 12 pm at the Chaplaincy at the University of Bedfordshire situated at the Treehouse Room.

YORK PILGRIMAGE WEEKEND

There is an opportunity for young adults to take part in a pilgrimage to York between 26th - 27th October.

For more information, use the link below:

<https://bookwhen.com/youngcatholicadults-yorkpilgrimage2024>.

DIGITAL OUTREACH

We are looking for anyone who would be interested in help the parish make better use of digital technology in promoting the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This includes working on, and maintaining, the parish website.

If you are interested, please email the Parish Office.

PARISH PRAYERS

Please pray for: Danny Harding, Tommy Hannigan, Sally Rhodes, Robert Roe, Connor McFadden, Alexander El-Lamaa, Margaret Spring, Agnieszka Daniel, Christopher Parfitt, Jimmy, Tina, John McCormick, Jane Matthews, Mary Williams, Michael Curtin, and all who are sick.

Please pray for: Thomas O'Boyle, Francis Farrell, Augustine Abara, Bill Molloy and all our loved ones who have died.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

It is now possible to sign up for the Sacramental Programmes (First Confession, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation, that will begin in the autumn.

Please collect a form from the sacristy and return it as soon as possible.

OPEN HOUSE

Open House will take place on Monday 14th October between 5.30 pm - 6.30 pm at the Rectory (the house next to the church).

This is an opportunity for anyone who has forms to fill in, would like to discuss sacramental celebrations, or has any other queries to have an opportunity to do just that.

Please note the requirements for some forms.

PERMANENT DIACONATE

There will be an opportunity to speak with Canon Tony for those men discerning the vocation to the Permanent Diaconate on Saturday 12th October at 3 pm in the Parish Centre.

SACRED HEART SCHOOL

One of our Catholic schools is holding several open sessions where parents and guardians can visit the school with a view to securing a place for their Reception age child next academic year.

For more details, please contact the School Office at:
admin@sacredheart.primaryluton.co.uk or 01582 287480

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Tradition is not the worship of ashes but the preservation of a fire!”
-St Thomas More

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.

CAR PARK

A gentle reminder for us all to be considerate about where we park our cars during Mass and other liturgies. If we know we have blocked someone in let us ensure that we move it as soon as possible.

VINNY'S PANTRY

The Pantry is open on Tuesday 5.45 pm - 6.45 pm. Donations of tinned fish, tomatoes, fruit, and cereal are greatly appreciated.

MASS READINGS AND PRAYERS

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



PARISH OFFERTORY

A huge thank you to all those who are able to support the mission of the parish through their financial offering.

£1910.47

Please note that no monies are kept on site.

LITURGIES AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

<p style="text-align: center;">SUNDAY 22nd September</p> <p>25th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>9 am ADORATION 9.30 am MASS</p> <p>11am ADORATION 11.30 am MASS</p> <p>4 pm Rosary 4.15 pm Vespers and Benediction</p> <p>5 pm MASS</p>	<p>Pro Populo.</p> <p>Danny Harding Int., Gerard Maguire Int., Joseph Garsee Int., Ania Smulewska Int., Joe Toomey RIP, Joe Maguire RIP, Kathleen Maguire RIP, Gerard Maguire RIP.</p> <p>Catherine Pinda RIP.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">MONDAY 23rd September</p> <p>S. Pius of Pietrelcina</p>	<p>7 am MASS (LATIN)</p> <p>12 pm ADORATION AND CONFESSIONS</p> <p>12.45 pm MASS</p>	<p>Kevin Drew Int. .</p> <p>Brandon Crisian RIP.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">TUESDAY 24th September</p> <p>Our Lady of Walsingham</p>	<p>10.30 am FUNERAL MASS</p> <p>12 pm ADORATION AND CONFESSIONS</p> <p>12.45 pm MASS</p>	<p>Martin McMahon RIP.</p> <p>Vocations to the Priesthood.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">WEDNESDAY 25th September</p> <p>Votive Mass of S. Joseph</p>	<p>12 pm ADORATION AND CONFESSIONS</p> <p>12.45 pm MASS</p>	<p>Jane Matthews Int.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">THURSDAY 26th September</p> <p>SS Cosmas & Damian</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">NO PUBLIC MASS TODAY</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">FRIDAY 27th September</p> <p>S. Vincent de Paul</p>	<p>12 pm ADORATION AND CONFESSIONS</p> <p>12.45 pm MASS</p>	<p>Molly Jose RIP, Mary Regan RIP, Doloras Ozyhertaer RIP.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">SATURDAY 28th September</p> <p>S. Wenceslaus</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">NO PUBLIC MASS TODAY</p>	