

Milton Keynes Area Cluster

Churches

- St Augustine's, Langcliffe Drive, Heelands, MK13 7PL
- St Bede's, High Street, Newport Pagnell, MK16 8EN
- Christ the King, Frithwood Crescent, Kents Hill, MK7 6HQ
- St Mary's, Aspley Hill, Woburn Sands, MK17 8NN
- Our Lady of Lourdes, St Pauls, Moorgate, Leadenhall, MK6 5NA
- Christ the Cornerstone, Saxon Gate, MK9 2ES

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Open House

Each Monday evening between 5.30pm and 7.30pm we have an "Open House" in the Parish Offices (St Augustine's, Langcliffe Drive, Heelands). Each of the priests are usually available to speak about anything, and deal with any administrative tasks for all of our Parishes, such as booking Baptisms or weddings, completing school application forms etc. Simply come along, there is no need to make an appointment.

Feast of the Annunciation



On Monday 25th March you are invited to a Rosary gathering/procession to honour the Immaculate Heart of Mary, meeting outside of the Church of Christ the Cornerstone, MK9 2ES at 6pm. All are very welcome to attend.

A day of Reflection for Catholic Women

The event, organised by the Diocesan Branch of the National Board of Catholic Women, is to be held on Saturday 6th April from 11am to 3pm at Our Lady of Grace, High Wycombe, HP12 4RY, packed lunches required. The theme is Living in the Spirit of 'Gaudete et Exultate', Pope Francis's Apostolic appeal to 'Rejoice and be Glad'. The day is to be led by Kate Stogden, Sister and Teacher of Ignatian Spirituality. For more information please call Maura on 01628 666278 or see poster in Church.

Lent 2019



Lent Reflection

You are invited to a short period of reflection for Lent. The theme will be reconciliation and we hope to reflect on the need for this in ourselves, in our Church and in our world. The event is being held at St Augustine's Church on Saturday 6th April from 2pm to 4pm. Everyone is welcome to come along. If you have any questions regarding this event please contact Marlene on 07718311089 or Sr Monica 979710866 or email mamatthewsshj@gmail.com

A Date for Your Diary

Fr John Hemer, who teaches scripture at Allen Hall seminary in London is going to lead a scripture reflection evening for us on Thursday 28th March at 7.30pm at the Church of Christ the Cornerstone.

Stations of the Cross

During Lent we will pray the Stations of the Cross each Friday after 7.00pm Mass at St Augustine's.

Lenten Lunches

Lenten Lunches will be held in the United Reformed Church Hall in Newport Pagnell, MK16 8HD, on Fridays at 12 noon to 1.15pm until the 12th April. The cost is £4 and includes soup, bread, cheese with tea or coffee. All profits will go to Christian Aid.

Lenten Prayer Meeting

You are invited to this month's Prayer meeting at Our Lady of Lourdes, St Paul's, Leadenhall, on Saturday 30th March at 6.30pm. Led by Fr Pius.

Films in Lent

The film series by Churches Together in Newport Pagnell, continues this week with Life of Brian. It will be shown in the United Reform Church on Monday at 2.00pm and in the Baptist Church (Lovatt Hall) on Thursday at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

St Augustine's Lenten Appeal Update

As you will have noticed, our new Stations of the Cross are in place at St Augustine's and are being used for Prayer during Lent. Our new chalices and ciboria will be with us by Easter and we are looking at, and taking advice about the foyer area at the moment. A huge thank you to those who have already contributed to the project, we have raised over £5,000 so far! There is still plenty of time to contribute and you will find a number of yellow sheets at the back of church explaining how to do so. Thank you.

MK Food Bank - No Glass Zone

For safety reasons the Food Bank is trailing a 'no glass zone' until September. They are asking all of their regular donors to give packet pasta sauces instead of those in glass jars. All of your support is very much appreciated. If you are donating, please place items in the box at the back of the church.



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Headteacher: Mrs Jane Zamora

St Monica's Primary School
Currier Drive, Neath Hill,
Neath Hill MK14 6HB
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stmonicas@stmonicas.co.uk
Headteacher: Mr Robert O'Malley

St Paul's Catholic School
Phoenix Drive,
Leadenhall, MK6 5EN
Telephone: 01908 669735
enquiries@st-pauls.org.uk
Headteacher: Mrs Jo-Anne Hoarty

Vacancy - Full time Youth Ministry Co-ordinator- NYMO

A rare opportunity has arisen to join our youth ministry office (NYMO) and take youth ministry in the Diocese of Northampton into its next phase of development. The closing date for applications is Tuesday 26th March 2019 and interviews will take place on Tuesday 9th April 2019. For full details of the job role, job profile and an application form, please call 01604 714840 or visit: www.northamptondiocese.org/vacancies



Diocesan Mass for Married Life

Each year Bishop Peter celebrates a Mass for married couples from throughout the Diocese. This year we are to host this event at St Mary's Church, Woburn Sands, on Saturday 6th April at 12 noon. If you are celebrating a special anniversary, you can receive a certificate from the Bishop. Please complete and return the invitation or email: mfl@northamptondiocese.com Posters and invitations are available in all churches.

Research participants needed

Laura Reynolds is completing research on loneliness as part of her Doctorate in Clinical Psychology. She would like to speak to women aged 65 and above who were born in Sri Lanka and now live in the UK, and are currently experiencing feelings of loneliness (even if it is only a passing feeling). Please contact, Laura, on 07803532272. Please feel free to share this information if you think you know someone who could be interested.

Passover Celebration

Christ The King community Church, has been given the opportunity to host a celebration of Passover which includes a meal, traditionally lamb based. The celebration will take place on 16th April, at Christ The King, led by Peter Cutler. It will be a ticketed event, to cover the cost of the food, starting at 6 pm. Organisers would like to make this a Walton Church Partnership wide event and invite all the congregations to take part, including children. At this stage, volunteers are needed to come and help set up from 5.00pm and clear down afterwards and to help with the catering, by preparing the food beforehand and bringing it along. Tickets will be on sale nearer the time. If you would like more information or you are able to help please contact Lynn Atkinson on 07714098168 or latkinson.home@btinternet.com

Celebration 2019

Celebration explores issues in Christian faith through discussion, drama, games and prayer. It is open to all Catholic youngsters in school years 6-13. It is a residential event held over the August Bank Holiday weekend. Application forms are now available from the Sacristy, after Mass.

Dementia 'Friendly' Mass

This is an opportunity for those with Dementia and their family and carers, to come together to celebrate Mass in a supportive and friendly environment. The Mass is followed by refreshments. It is held on the last Tuesday of every month and the next Mass is Tuesday 26th March at 3pm at St Thomas Aquinas Church, MK2 2JE. All are very welcome to attend.



Pilgrimage to Lourdes

We have arranged a pilgrimage to Lourdes, led by one of our priests. It will take place between 21st and 28th August, with an opportunity to join the Diocesan Pilgrimage lead by Bishop Peter. The total cost is £625 based upon two people sharing. For more information, please contact Susie on 07459774035.

Global Healing

At the Global Healing Meeting held on Wednesday 13th March, we enjoyed a film from the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales which suggested things that we could do as individuals and as a Parish, to care for our 'common home', which is what Pope Francis is asking of us. If anyone is interested in joining a parish Global Healing Group to explore ways to achieve this, please email: vrbell18@yahoo.co.uk

Gift Aid Envelopes

2019/2020 planned giving envelopes are available for collection from St Augustine's and Our Lady of Lourdes, this weekend. If you would like to begin contributing to the collection in this way, please speak to someone at the back of the church today.

Congratulations

This weekend we welcome David Prenga who is being baptised at St Augustine's and Deja Gutowska who is being baptised at Christ the King. Please remember them and their families in your prayers.



MK Gospel Youth Group

The next meeting of the Youth Group is on Saturday 30th March at 4pm at Our Lady of Lourdes, St Paul's, Leadenhall. All young people are welcome to come along.

Liturgies for the Week

Saturday (Vigil)	
5 pm	Christ the Cornerstone Reconciliation
5.30pm	Christ the Cornerstone Hannah Mary Doody RIP
6.30pm	St Mary's Patrick O' Neill RIP
7pm	St Augustine's (Polish)
Sunday Third Sunday of Lent	
9am	St Augustine's Nancy O' Driscoll God's Healing Justina Aninye God's Healing
9am	St Bede's Louis and Maria Groves RIP
9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes
10.30am	St Mary's Tom, Elizabeth and Sean Connor RIP
11am	St Augustine's Audrey Archbold RIP Wendy Reddy RIP Deceased members of the McKenna Family
11.30am	Christ the King Jennifer Percival Int
2pm	St Augustine's (Polish)
6.30pm	St Augustine's Bernadette Joseph Ints
6.30pm	Cranfield University
Monday The Annunciation of the Lord	
9.30am	Christ the King People of the Parish
12.30pm	Christ the Cornerstone Chiara Olivieri Int
Tuesday	
9.30am	St Augustine's Veronica, Andre and Helena Int
10am	St Mary's Maureen Leach RIP
Wednesday	
9.30am	St Augustine's
12.30pm	Christ the Cornerstone People of the Parish
Thursday	
9.30am	St Augustine's
10am	St Mary's No Mass
Friday	
10am	St Bede's Stan Metcalfe RIP Anniversary
12 noon	Funeral Service - Louise Amoah RIP, St Augustine's
6pm	St Augustine's Reconciliation and Adoration
7pm	St Augustine's Followed by Stations of the Cross
Saturday	
10am	Our Lady of Lourdes Followed by Reconciliation

Money Matters Last weekend's collection:

St Augustine's £1,440.39p	St Bede's £381.12p	Christ the King £649.41	Our Lady of Lourdes and Christ the Cornerstone £930.41p	All amounts include Standing Order
CAFOD £1,015.05p	£431.45p	£270.56p	£635.70p	Thank you for your generosity