

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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Dear Friends

*Thank you for the gifts,
cards and the generous
Easter offering which we
received from you all.*

*With God's Blessing, and
best wishes during this
Easter Season.*

*Fr Francis, Fr Pius, Fr
Lijo and
Fr Brendan*

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 and secretary 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.

Speaker at St Augustine's

This weekend we welcome Callum Bryant, who works for the Northampton Youth Ministry Office (NYMO) and will be speaking at the 9am and 11am Masses.

St Augustine's Lenten Appeal Update

Our new chalices and ciboria will be with us in the next few weeks. You will have noticed that work is moving along in the entrance to the Church. A huge thank you to those who have already contributed to the project, we have raised about £8,000.

Summer Camp 2019 4th to 8th August.

At the start of the summer holidays, over 100 young people from throughout the Diocese gather together for a mix of outdoor activities, sleeping in a castle, a day out at Alton Towers and daily Mass, talks, music and lots of fun! Cost £200 per person (incl. transport). This is a very popular event so please visit www.nymo.org or contact Fr Brendan promptly if you would like to find out more.

Individual meetings with Bishop Peter:

Bishop Peter is offering to meet with victims and survivors, their families and supporters commencing from May 2019 and continuing on a bimonthly basis. For more details or to book a meeting with the Bishop, contact the safeguarding office on: 01604 723514.

Cornerstone Times

The Cornerstone Times is a quarterly publication with articles and news from the Church of Christ the Cornerstone. This edition contains a number of articles from the Catholic congregation, so please pickup a copy from the foyer as you leave.

Blessing of Graves at St Mary's

During this Easter season when we remember the resurrection of the Lord, it seems an appropriate time to remember our loved ones who have died. There will be a service and blessing of graves at St Mary's cemetery in Woburn Sands on Sunday 19th May at 1pm. All are welcome.

Divine Mercy

This Sunday, 28th April, in the prayer room after 11.30am Mass, at Christ the King Church there will be a time of prayer to mark Divine Mercy Sunday. All are welcome to attend.

Vacancy Parish Youth Minister – Bedford – Full Time

We are delighted to advertise the role of Catholic Parish Youth Minister in the parishes of Ss Philip and James and Holy Cross, Bedford. This is a rare and exciting opportunity for a practicing Catholic, with the right skills and experiences, to support and develop local young people in their faith and relationship with their parish. The closing date for applications will be 3rd May 2019. Full details of the role can be found by visiting www.northamptondiocese.org/vacancies

Academy Director Recruitment

Would you like to help shape the future of Catholic education in the Diocese? Do you have the skills to help direct the strategy and ethos of academies which currently educate over 10,000 pupils across the Diocese? Bishop Peter is currently recruiting Foundation Directors (non-executive), for our new Multi Academy Trusts in the north and south of the Diocese. The closing date for the first round of applications is 31st May 2019. Application details can be found at: <https://bit.ly/20PBIYx> or by contacting Debbie Main on 01582 723312 or email: main@nores.org.uk

Parish Schools

St Bernadette's Primary School,
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Monkston Park, MK10 9PH
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office@stbernadettsschool.com
Headteacher: Mrs Jane Zamora

St Monica's Primary School
Currier Drive, Neath Hill,
Neath Hill MK14 6HB
Telephone: 01908 606966
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

Great Get-Together Iftaar

You are all warmly invited to the event which is to be held on Sunday 19th May at 7.30pm at the Campbell Park Cricket Pavillion, 1300 Silbury Boulevard, MK9 4AD. Everyone is invited to join in the opening of the fast during the blessed month of Ramadan and celebrate together all that makes us one community. *Iftaar is the meal eaten by muslims after sunset during the fasting month of Ramadam.* If you would like to attend please contact, Krushida on: 07709894940 or Linda on: 07778555412.

Psalms - A School of Prayer

Would you like to learn the Psalms that Jesus would have learned to pray? A Psalm course will be held at St Augustine's Church, every Friday after the 7pm Mass, beginning on Friday 3rd May for 11 weeks. Everyone is very welcome to attend. If you would like further details please contact Christine on 01908 318079 or email: bibletimeline2018@gmail.com

Congratulations

Welcome to all the children who are being baptised at our cluster of churches, this weekend. Aidan D'Souza, Adrien Faucher, Franciszek Zach, Jerome Boatang, Ebuzech Ezech, Kenneth Yamoah-Ponko, Amari Fakoya, Arthur Silva, Beatriz Tocha, and Kenechukwu Nonylu.



Also, congratulations to Veronica Melchionoa who is being confirmed at Christ the King. Please remember them all and their families in your prayer.



St Augustine's Bake Sale

BAKE SALE



A bake sale will be held today, Sunday 28th April, after 11:00am Mass to raise funds for Voluntary Services Overseas (VSO). Doughnuts and cookies will be available and items will range in price from 50p to £1 - further donations are welcome. VSO is the world's leading independent international development organisation that works through volunteers to fight poverty in developing countries. Everyday around 1,500 VSO volunteers are working in carefully selected placements, sharing their experience and working to tackle poverty by empowering those really affected by it.

Catholic Basics "The Moral Life"

A day course is being held on Thursday 16th May 2019, at the Diocesan Centre, Luton, LU4 8JD. Come and learn about the many-faceted jewel of the Church's teaching on morality. The day will begin with Mass at 9am and the course will begin at 10am to 3pm (All are welcome to join in an engaging day with full lunch, no qualifications needed. For booking, contact Jackie email admin@nores.org.uk or phone 01582 723312.

MK Food Bank

Currently the Food Bank is low on the below tinned items: vegetables, fruit, pasta/spaghetti, tomatoes, rice pudding, custard and finally teabags. Thank you for your continued support.



Gift Aid Envelopes

2019/2020 planned giving envelopes are available for collection from St Augustine's, Our Lady of Lourdes and Christ the Cornerstone this, please make sure that you collect your box. If you would like to begin contributing to the collection in this way, please give your details to one of the clergy.

Global Healing

At the recent Global Healing Meeting, a film from the Bishops of England and Wales was shown, which suggested ways that we could as individuals and as a Parish, care for our 'common home'. If anyone is interested in joining a parish Global Healing Group to explore ways to achieve this, please email: vrbell18@yahoo.co.uk

Memorial Service at Christ the Cornerstone

On Sunday afternoon the 28th April at 2.30pm, a special service of remembrance and prayer, is being held to remember the victims and families of the Easter Day bombings in Sri Lanka. Please come along to show solidarity with our Sri Lankan brothers and sisters.



March for Life

To support the sanctity of life, there is a march being held on Saturday 11th May in London. The march will start in Westminster at 2pm for more information go to www.marchforlife.co.uk or email: info@marchforlife.co.uk or by calling 07885505116/07773501721.

CWO Thanksgiving

This morning at St Augustine's 11am Mass we welcome the Catholic Women's Organisation who are celebrating their annual Mass of Thanksgiving.

Liturgies for the Week

Saturday (Vigil)

- 5 pm Christ the Cornerstone Reconciliation
- 5.30pm Christ the Cornerstone Aldo and Remo Magliocco RIP
- 6.30pm St Mary's Nick and Alex Marr RIP
- 7pm St Augustine's (Polish)

Sunday Second Sunday of Easter

- 9am St Augustine's Adam MacAlister Int
- 9am St Bede's Norma Dela Cruz RIP
- 9.30am Our Lady of Lourdes
- 10.30am St Mary's Sean, Tom and Liz Connor RIP
- 11am St Augustine's People of the Parish
- 11.30am Christ the King Julia Abramowska Int 3rd Birthday
- 2pm St Augustine's (Polish)
- 6.30pm St Augustine's Philip Sanders RIP
- 6.30pm Cranfield University No Mass

Monday St Catherine of Siena

- 9.30am Christ the King Gerald Ferrer RIP
- 12.30pm Christ the Cornerstone Mama Mgebeke RIP

Tuesday St George

- 9.30am St Augustine's Bernadette Joseph Int
- 10am St Mary's Neil Ward RIP

Wednesday

- 9.30am St Augustine's No Mass
- 12.30pm Christ the Cornerstone Fatima Gonsalves RIP,

Thursday St Athanasius

- 9.30am St Augustine's
- 10am St Mary's Canon Stan Condon RIP

Friday St Philip and St James

- 10am St Bede's Deceased members of the Chambers Family
- 6pm St Augustine's Reconciliation and Adoration
- 7pm St Augustine's

Saturday

- 10am Our Lady of Lourdes Followed by Reconciliation

