

# St Barnabas Cluster of Parishes



## 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,  
As you know, we are to have a number of changes in September:

- Fr Lijo is to move from our St Barnabas Cluster of parishes and take up a new appointment in St Teresa's parish in Princes Risborough.
- Fr Nathaniel Onwuekwe from the Diocese of Nnewi in Nigeria, who is currently working in St Joseph's in Bedford, will be joining us.
- Fr Pius will work for the Sion Community leading parish and school missions, but continue to have a base here in Milton Keynes.
- Fr Paul Hardy, the parish priest of St Edward's in Shenley Church End, has been unwell for a while and he is going to retire in the autumn. Therefore Bishop Peter has decided that St Edward's parish should become part of our St Barnabas cluster in the autumn.

As you can appreciate, these changes will require a lot of reflection about how we arrange ourselves in the future and particularly about the number and times of Sunday Masses that we have. I am sure that it will be possible to arrange things, but it will require a generosity of spirit from us all.

I hope we will be able to reflect and talk about these things over the next few weeks.

Fr Francis

## Thank you

Thank you for the warm welcome that you have given to Fr Richard Opoku Aceampong, on his return to us for August. He is very happy to be back with us again.

## Job Vacancy: Administrative Assistant St Barnabas Cluster

We are currently recruiting for an Administrative Assistant for the St Barnabas Cluster of Parishes. Paid part time role for 16 hours per week, which would ideally be worked over 4 days. For full details and an application form visit; [www.northamptondiocese.org/vacancies](http://www.northamptondiocese.org/vacancies) Or email [hadmin@northamptondiocese.com](mailto:hadmin@northamptondiocese.com). The closing date for applications is Tuesday 27th August 2019. Interview date is Tuesday 3rd September 2019.

## No Open House



There is no Open House during the month of August. Open House will recommence in September. Please contact the Cluster Office for any queries, during this time.

## Tamil Mass

There is a Tamil Mass today, 8th August and every second Sunday of the Month at Our Lady of Lourdes, at 5.30pm.

## Health and Safety

Just a gentle reminder, children must be supervised at all times when they are in our Cluster of Churches and children should not be in the balcony at the Church of Christ the Cornerstone. Lets keep everyone safe. Thank you.

## Mass for Victims and Survivors of Abuse

A Mass for victims and survivors of abuse, their families and supporters will be held at St Mary's Church, Woburn Sands at 12 noon on Saturday 12th October. The focus will be on healing, reconciliation and the forming of compassionate links with the Church.

## St Mary's Offertory Envelopes

The new boxes of envelopes, which commence in September, will be available for collection from the back of the Church this weekend.

## BBQ

The annual BBQ, at Our Lady of Lourdes, will take place next Saturday 17th August from 5pm to 8.30pm. There will be plenty of barbecued goodies plus desserts and salads. Please come along and make it a great parish event.



## Parish Schools

St Bernadette's Primary School,  
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Currier Drive, Neath Hill,  
Neath Hill MK14 6HB  
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St Paul's Catholic School  
Phoenix Drive,  
Leadenhall, MK6 5EN  
Telephone: 01908 669735  
[enquiries@st-pauls.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@st-pauls.org.uk)

## CAFOD Virtual Village



Recently, we have launched a new CAFOD virtual village at St Augustine's. Parishioners can buy a virtual gift to give to a friend, in lieu of a traditional gift. To help visualise our gifts to CAFOD they will be translated into practical items to populate our virtual village. Visit: [www.worldgifts.cafod.org.uk](http://www.worldgifts.cafod.org.uk) for information, if you would like to buy a gift. When you purchase the gift, please request a receipt and forward this to [cafod@mk-cluster.co.uk](mailto:cafod@mk-cluster.co.uk) so that the village can be populated.

### Missio at St Augustine's



Please would you hand in your boxes for counting during the next few weeks. Please leave boxes in the Sacristy. Don't forget to write your name on the box label, so that you can receive a receipt. Thank you.

### Invitation

There is an open invitation to the Induction of Rev Ruth Gookey as a Minister to the Community Church at Christ the King Church, Kents Hill. The induction will take place on Sunday 7th September at 3pm. If you would like to attend please email Lynn Atkinson at [christthekingmk@live.co.uk](mailto:christthekingmk@live.co.uk). If you would be able to volunteer help on the day please contact Lynn on the above email address.

## Rest in Peace



Please pray for those who have died recently especially :

- ◆ Kathleen Larney RIP whose funeral will take place on Wednesday 14th August, at 11.30am, at Crownhill Crematorium
- ◆ Mary Coleman RIP, whose funeral will take place on Friday 23rd August, at 12 noon at St Augustine's, Heelands

### MK Food Bank



One thousand parcels are supplied in Milton Keynes each month, by the Food Bank. Each parcel contains a three day supply of food. Please help by donating: long-life milk and juice, tinned rice pudding, meat, pasta/spaghetti tomatoes and custard, as well as teabags. . Collection points are at the back of St Augustine's, St Bede's and St Mary's Churches.

### St Mary's Church Hall

If anybody has borrowed some mugs, cutlery and a basket with wine glasses, from the Hall. Please could you return them. Thank you.

### St Mary's Ladies

The next meeting will be on Friday 27th September from 10.30am to 12.30pm at The Woburn Sands Emporium. All welcome

## Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday 15th August is a Holy day and there will be 5 Masses celebrated, in the Cluster, throughout the day and evening. Please see information in the Liturgies for the week section.

### Rosary Procession

On Thursday 15th August on the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, there is to be a gathering/ rosary procession. Please meet outside the Church of Christ the Cornerstone, MK9 2ES at 6pm. All welcome.

### Divine Mercy Devotions



Takes place every third Sunday of the month at Our Lady of Lourdes, next meeting Sunday 18th August and every fourth Sunday of the month at Christ the King, next meeting Sunday 25th August. All welcome.

### Bible Study Wisdom Books

The Wisdom literature of the Bible (Proverbs, Wisdom, Sirach, and Ecclesiastes) teaches us how to actively seek out sound guidance for navigating life. If you want to know what it means to live with God's wisdom and are ready to dive deeper into applying Scripture to your life, please join us for 8 weeks at St Augustine's on Fridays after the 7pm Mass beginning on Friday 13th September 2019. You will need to purchase a course book, which will need to be paid for prior to it being ordered. Money must be paid by 12th August. Please contact Christine Scotcher at 01908 318079 or email: [bibletimeline2018@gmail.com](mailto:bibletimeline2018@gmail.com) Everyone welcome.

## Liturgies for the Week Beginning 11th August

<b>Saturday</b> 5 pm	<b>(Vigil)</b> Christ the Cornerstone Reconciliation
5.30pm	Christ the Cornerstone Alan Keighley RIP Kathy Sweet Int Novena
6.30pm	St Mary's Tom Cox RIP
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Nineteenth Sunday of the Year</b>
9am	St Augustine's Kathy Sweet Int Novena Charles Sweet RIP
9am	St Bede's John Morgan RIP Susan Connell RIP
9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes
10.30am	St Mary's Nessie Gallagher RIP Clement, Wendy, Joseph and Lily Pereira RIP Winnie Devaney RIP
11am	St Augustine's Raymond Okafor Thanksgiving
11.30am	Christ the King Phil Wilson Thanksgiving
2pm	St Augustine's (Polish)
6.30pm	St Augustine's People of the Parish
<b>Monday</b> 9.30am	<b>St Jane Frances de Chantal</b> Christ the King
12.30pm	Christ the Cornerstone Mandy, Luke Cameron, Faith and Joshua
<b>Tuesday</b> 9.30am	<b>St Pontianus and St Hippolytus</b> St Augustine's The Harris Family Int
10am	St Mary's Elizabeth West RIP
<b>Wednesday</b> 9.30am	<b>St Maximilian Kolbe</b> St Augustine's Maureen Jezorske RIP
11.30am	Crownhill Crematorium, Funeral, Kathleen Larney RIP
12.30pm	Christ the Cornerstone
<b>Thursday</b> 9.30am	<b>ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b> St Augustine's Alan Keighley RIP
10am	St Mary's Terry James RIP
12.30pm	Christ the Cornerstone Mary Crompton Thanksgiving
7.30pm	St Augustine's
7.30pm	Christ the King
<b>Friday</b> 10am	<b>St Stephen of Hungary</b> St Bede's
6pm	St Augustine's Reconciliation and Adoration
7pm	St Augustine's
<b>Saturday</b> 10am	Our Lady of Lourdes Followed by Reconciliation

### Last weekend's collection:

St Augustine's	St Bede's	Christ the King	St Mary's	Our Lady of Lourdes and Cornerstone
£1,123.03	£446.74	£557.22	£633.85	£1,165.49

All amounts include Standing Orders  
Thank you for your generosity