

ST AUGUSTINE'S, DATCHET

OUR LADY OF SORROWS, ETON

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SUNDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2024 – SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY MESSAGE FROM THE PARISH PRIEST	WEEKEND & WEEKDAYS HOLY MASS TIMES			
<p>In today's Gospel, the man with leprosy took the initiative in approaching Jesus and asking for healing. In doing so, the leper violated the religious customs of the day. The leper's confidence in Jesus' ability to heal him is evident in the words of his request. Despite the instructions the cured man received, he spread the word about Jesus' healing power. Let us approach Jesus to be healed, physically and spiritually.</p>	Datchet	Sat 10	06.00pm	Maureen Kenny RIP
	Eton	Sun 11	09.30am	People of the Parish
	Datchet	Sun 11	11.00am	David Mendes RIP
	Datchet	Mon 12	09.30am	Kathleen Wall RIP
	Eton	Tue 13	06.30pm	Alejandro Mella Prada RIP
	Datchet	Wed 14	09.30am	Caroline Ansell RIP
			11.00am	Requiem Mass for Kathleen Wall RIP
	Datchet	Thu 15	09.30am	John William Burchell RIP
Datchet	Fri 16	09.30am	Fred Oufi RIP	
<p>Rosary: Twenty minutes prior to Holy Mass</p>	<p>Confession: Any Weekday after the Mass or by appointment</p>			
<p>Benediction: Every Thursday after 9.30am Mass.</p>	<p>Eucharistic Adoration: Weekdays before Mass from 8.30am</p>			
<p>Stations of the Cross: Every Friday during Lent after the 9.30am Mass.</p>				

TEA/COFFEE: This Sunday there will be tea/coffee in Eton after the 9.30am Mass.

OFFERTORY: 03 / 04 February 2024: Cash £200 SOs £230

SICK OF THE PARISH: Please pray for the sick in the Parish, especially James Ansell, Maria Cordosa, Maggie and Peter Darbin, Sheila Jones, Terri Nicoll, Nino Puma, Eithne Reynolds and Roger Stewart. If anyone would like to have a priest visit them or others who are sick, kindly speak to Fr. Shyju.

PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF *Kathleen Wall RIP* (Funeral 11am Wednesday 14 February), and *Fred Oufi RIP* (Funeral 11am Wednesday 28 February). The funeral services will be held in St. Augustine's.

PASTORAL LETTER: This week, we enter Lent. There is a Pastoral Letter from Bishop David which will be read in Parishes this weekend, entitled "Towards a Jubilee Year".

ASH WEDNESDAY: This coming Wednesday is Ash Wednesday. Ashes will be blessed and distributed at the 6.30pm Mass in Eton on Tuesday 13 February, at the 9.30am Mass in Datchet on Wednesday 14 February, and also at the Requiem Mass at 11am on Wednesday 14. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are observed as days of fast and abstinence. Fasting means we reduce the amount of food we eat, and abstinence means we give up meat and other particular kinds of food or drink or forms of amusement. Unless someone has special dietary requirements, those over eighteen are bound by the law of fasting until their sixtieth year, and those over fourteen are bound by the law of abstinence.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be prayed every Friday during Lent after the 9.30am Mass. During Lent the Benediction will be every Thursday after the 9.30am Mass.

LENTEN SOUP will be served in St. Augustine's Hall, after the 11am Mass on Sundays 18 February and 17 March. All donations will be given to the CAFOD Lenten Appeal. Please come along and support.

CENTENARY JUBILEE OF ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH: Our Chapel was established in 1923 and 2023-2024 is our Parish Centenary Jubilee Year. We are planning a Parish celebration with our Bishop on **SUNDAY 25 AUGUST 2024**. More details will follow, but in the meantime please save the date.

CHURCH HALL AND GARAGE: It is anticipated that work will be undertaken on the ceiling of St. Augustine's Hall this weekend. We are also planning to convert the room at the back of bungalow's garage into a small meeting room for our use. We will keep you up to date with progress on this work.

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY: Resources, speeches, and photos from the 16th Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops are now available on the [Synod website](#). The letter to the people of God can be found: <https://tinyurl.com/4c8tyuvk> The synthesis can be read here: <https://tinyurl.com/yc4nz2r3>

MASS FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND THEIR FAMILIES: The next Mass will be on Sunday 18 February at 3pm at Sacred Heart Church, Stopsley, Luton LU2 9 AY. (About 15 mins. from Junction 10 of the M1). All are welcome to attend. Access to the Church is step-free, and there is ample parking.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT: Our diocese is organising a series of Life In The Spirit seminars, commencing on Tuesday 16 April. The seminars are designed as an introduction to a life lived in the power of the Holy Spirit. Participants are welcome to join live at Northampton Cathedral or from one of the 'Hub' locations around the diocese. For more information visit <https://northamptondiocese.org/life-in-the-spirit-seminars-2024/>

MISSION NORTHAMPTON: The Secrets of St Paul is a 10-week online course which began on Wednesday 10 January. It finishes on Wednesday 20 March. Participants will have an opportunity to reflect on the life of St. Paul as a model missionary disciple. For more information about joining the course, visit: www.northamptondiocese.org/courses or call 01604 434362

LIGHT UP LENT (29 February to 7 March) is our diocesan Week of Accompanied Prayer, a retreat in everyday life. Begin or deepen your prayer life, get to know the Scriptures better, and above all, grow in faith and in love for the Lord who loves you. With one-to-one support each day for a week, via Zoom, from an experienced prayer guide. Find out more here: <https://pastoralministryoffice.org/event/lightuplent/>

100 CLUB: If you wish to join the 100 Club, please email Pamela office@staugustines.org.uk The subscription is £1 per week, i.e. £52 per year and there is a monthly prize of £100.

CAFOD School Volunteers needed: Do you enjoy working with children and young people? Could you help to inspire and empower children and young people in your local Catholic schools by delivering an assembly or a workshop? You will be supported by CAFOD with training and all resources will be provided and expenses paid. Do consider the role of CAFOD school volunteer. For more information contact Debbie Purfield dpurfield@cafod.org.uk or call 07786 114 390.

THANK YOU FROM SLOUGH FOODBANK: *"We would like to thank you for your kind support and recent donations in December to Slough Foodbank, which weighed a total of 113Kg in December, and 1,109Kg for all of last year. Each gift makes an enormous difference to families and individuals who are most in need in our local community."*

PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE FOODBANK

The need for donations of food and toiletries for the Slough Foodbank remains great. Please try and donate items to the Foodbank on a regular basis. Boxes for donations can be found in each Church.

The Foodbank's January Shopping List states the items needed are:

Food Urgent: long life fruit juice, tinned fruit, tinned tuna, tinned carrots, long-life custard, cooking sauces, coffee, tinned spaghetti, long-life milk, instant mash

Always required: long-life sponge puddings, tea, soup, long-life rice pudding, tinned tomatoes, tinned meat

Please note they have a 12 month supply of PASTA. It is NOT NEEDED

Toiletries & Basic Items Urgent: washing up liquid, shampoo, deodorant, shaving foam/gel, toothpaste, child toothbrushes, nappies size 6+, 7 & 8

Always required: soap, toilet rolls, strong carrier bags