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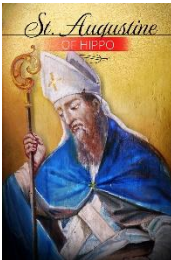
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TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) – 24 AUGUST 2025

SUNDAY MESSAGE FROM FR. SHYJU		WEEKEND & WEEKDAYS HOLY MASS TIMES			
	ST. AUGUSTINE’S FEAST: This week is very special for all of our Parish community. The Church celebrates the Feast of St. Augustine on 28 August when we will seek his intercession as the patron saint of our Parish.	Datchet	Sat 23	06:00pm	Sheila Thacker RIP
		Eton	Sun 24	09.30am	Basil D’Mello RIP
		Datchet	Sun 24	11.00am	Daniel Pope’s Int
		Datchet	Mon 25	06.30pm	Holy Souls
		Datchet	Tue 26	09.30am	Caroline Ansell RIP
		Eton	Wed 27	06.30pm	Douglas D’Mello RIP
		DATCHET	THU 28	09.30am	FEAST OF ST. AUGUSTINE
		Datchet	Fri 29	09.30am	Lorette Carter’s Int.
ROSARY: Twenty minutes prior to Holy Mass.		CONFESSION: Any Weekday after the Mass / by appointment			
BENEDICTION: Every Thursday after 9.30am Mass		EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Weekdays before Mass from 8.30am			

ST. AUGUSTINE'S NOVENA: As we celebrate the Feast of St. Augustine on 28 August, we all seek his intercession as the patron saint of our Parish. We will commence a Five-Day Novena Prayer after Mass commencing on Sunday 24 August. All are welcome. We will have a Solemn Mass on Thursday 28 August at 9.30am with a Novena Prayer. Please come along and join your fellow parishioners.

TEA & COFFEE will be available on Sunday after the 11.00am Mass at St. Augustine's in Datchet.

OFFERTORY: 16 / 17 August: Cash £329 SOs £210

SICK OF THE PARISH: Please pray for James Ansell, Maria Cordosa, Maggie and Peter Darbin, Fred Flaherty, Madleen Magic, Terri Nicoll, Tricia Rice, Elaine Shaw and Roger Stewart. If anyone would like to have a priest visit them or others who are sick, kindly speak to Fr. Shyju.

RETIREMENT MASS FOR CANON KEVIN – 7.00pm Monday 08 September: Canon Kevin O'Driscoll, Dean of the pastoral area of Slough, retires in September. There will be a Retirement Mass for Canon Kevin which will take place at Our Lady of Peace Church, Burnham. You are invited to join in offering prayers and good wishes as he begins this new chapter. Canon Anthony Brennan will become the new parish priest in Langley.

PARISH BBQ

It was wonderful that last Sunday around 110 people attended the Parish BBQ held in the garden in Datchet. Everyone enjoyed their time, chatting with others whilst sharing food from the BBQ. A huge thank you goes to those who planned and prepared for the day by ordering the meat for the BBQ, making salads and other dishes, and setting-up for the event. We also send our grateful thanks to the "Chefs" who BBQ'd the meat and those who spent their time serving food and drink to others. We thank all those who through their skill and service to others made this such a memorable day for all attending. The tremendous community spirit from the parishioners of Eton and Datchet has been inspiring.

Fr. Shyju

GET FIT, HEALTHY & HAVE FUN



You are invited to join Sylvia Burchell, a Parishioner, who will be holding sessions to help you increase your strength, balance, mobility and have fun. After each session there will be tea/coffee and a general talk on the subject of Healthy Living. The sessions will be held every **Thursday from 10.30am to 12.30pm** in the **Datchet Parish Jubilee Room**. Sylvia is a qualified and insured instructor. Please contact her on 07973 500357 for further details and to book a place. **It will start by the beginning of September.**

MASS CARDS: If you would like to offer a Holy Mass for your beloved or deceased, please complete a Mass Card and a Mass Intention Envelope. These are available at the back of the Church.

WEEKDAY MASSES: During the children's school holidays, I encourage you to attend a weekday Mass with your children/grandchildren. Our aim is to encourage children to come and join congregations in the future.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE: Join the Diocese of Northampton on a special pilgrimage to France from 19 – 24 October 2025, led by Bishop David Oakley, marking the 350th anniversary of the Sacred Heart apparitions to St. Margaret Mary. There will be visits to Paray-le-Monial, Nevers, Ars, Cluny, and the ecumenical community of Taizé. This is a unique opportunity for prayer, reflection, and spiritual renewal in the footsteps of beloved saints:

<https://www.icjournays.com/northampton-burgundy>

ST JOHN HENRY NEWMAN SET TO BECOME NEWEST DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH: Last year, many parishioners participated in a pilgrimage to Birmingham Oratory which is the location of the national shrine to Saint John Henry Newman. It has been announced that Pope Leo XIV will officially declare Saint John Henry Newman, the most recently canonised saint from England and Wales, the 38th Doctor of the Church. Cardinal Vincent Nichols, President of the Bishops' Conference, expressed his delight on hearing the news:

"I am delighted and thrilled that Pope Leo has announced that he will declare St John Henry Newman to be a 'Doctor of the Church'. This request has been before the Holy See for some time, having received declarations of support from many different parts of the world and, of particular importance, from the Bishops of the Church of England.

"This recognition that the writings of St John Henry Newman are a true expression of the faith of the Church is of huge encouragement to all who appreciate not only his great learning but also his heroic sanctity in following the call of God in his journey of faith, which he described as 'heart speaking unto heart'. This moment brings back vivid memories of the Papal Visit in 2010 of Pope Benedict XVI to these countries when he declared the beatification of John Henry Newman. That moment now reaches its fulfilment and gives great joy to all who strive to follow Christ today."



PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE FOODBANK

Boxes for donations can be found in each Church. The items on their Shopping List are:

Food Urgent: long life fruit juice, tinned fruit, tinned tuna, tinned vegetables, long life custard, cooking sauces, coffee, tinned spaghetti, long-life milk, instant mash, soup, long-life rice pudding.

Always required: tea, long life sponge puddings, 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.