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THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS (C) – 14 SEPTEMBER 2025

SUNDAY MESSAGE FROM FR. SHYJU	WEEKEND & WEEKDAYS HOLY MASS TIMES			
 <p>This weekend we celebrate the exultation of the Most Holy Cross and remember the words of Jesus. Also, this Monday, the Church celebrates the feast of Our Lady of Sorrows. As we celebrate the feast of our Church in Eton, I welcome you all to join the Mass on that morning, as Blessed Virgin Mary, the Sorrowful Mother of Jesus Christ is one of the Patrons of our Parish.</p> <p>ROSARY: Twenty minutes prior to Holy Mass.</p> <p>BENEDICTION: Every Thursday after 9.30am Mass</p>	Datchet	Sat 13	06:00pm	O'Connell Family Int.
	Eton	Sun 14	09.30am	Holy Souls
	Datchet	Sun 14	11.00am	Lucia Herrera Int
	Eton	Mon 15	09.30am	Feast-Our Lady of Sorrows
	Datchet	Tue 16	09.30am	Tony Barret RIP
	Datchet	Wed 17	09.30am	Maria Cordosa Int
	Datchet	Thu 18	09.30am	Michael Chng RIP
	Datchet	Fri 19	09.30am	Holy Souls
	CONFESSION: Any Weekday after the Mass / by appointment			
BENEDICTION: Every Thursday after 9.30am Mass		EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Weekdays before Mass from 8.30am		

TEA & COFFEE will be available on Sunday after the 09.30am Mass in Our Lady of Sorrows, Eton and after the 11.00am Mass at St. Augustine's in Datchet.

OFFERTORY: 06 / 07 September: Cash £202 SOs £210

SECOND COLLECTION will be taken at Masses this weekend for Catholic Education Services. Next weekend, Sunday 21 September, there will be a second collection for Evangelii Gaudium Sunday, formerly known as Home Mission Sunday.

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: The numbers attending the Saturday Vigil Mass have decreased. Therefore from this month, there will not be a Vigil Mass in Datchet every Saturday evening. Please check our newsletter (available on the Parish website) for information as to when the Vigil Mass will be held. Please note, there will **NOT** be a 6pm Vigil Mass next weekend, **Saturday 20 September**.

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.

EDUCATION SUNDAY: Nationally, Education Sunday is usually celebrated at the beginning of September. Our parish will pray specifically for all our Teachers, children and students going to schools and universities at Masses next weekend, **Sunday 21 September**. All children and students attending Masses that weekend are invited to come with a few books, their pens and pencil case or similar to receive a blessing. Children will be encouraged to lead the Mass readings next weekend.

BAPTISM: This weekend Dylan Joseph Doherty will be baptised at Datchet. We pray for him and for his parents John and Margaretta Doherty.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: There will be a Liturgy for Children at St. Augustine's Church during the **11am Mass on Sunday 12 October**. (It is aimed at children aged 4 and over and who are not yet attending First Holy Communion classes). Children will be with their family at the start of the Mass and will then be invited to leave to join their Liturgy group, which will be held in the Jubilee Room. They will rejoin their families later

in the Mass. Fr Shyju would like all parents and their children from Eton and Datchet churches to come to this Mass.

VOLUNTEERS FOR DATCHET: We need more volunteers to assist with Masses in the Datchet church e.g. Choir or Readers. You are most welcome to have a chat with Fr. Shyju if you are considering helping.

BBQ PHOTO ALBUM: After our wonderful parish BBQ, a beautifully printed album of photographs, providing memories of a great day, has been produced. A copy of the album will be available to look at this weekend. If you'd like to order a copy the cost will be £15. Our thanks go to Gabriela Boase, for producing the album.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY – Friday 03 October: This Family Fast Day, CAFOD is highlighting its work in Ethiopia, where communities face severe climate challenges. Donations will fund vital water infrastructure projects. CAFOD also continues to respond to urgent needs in the Holy Land, Ukraine, and Sudan through trusted local Church partners. Please support CAFOD's appeal and be signs of hope in this Jubilee Year. Your support enables practical assistance for our most vulnerable brothers and sisters worldwide.

THE 100 CLUB - IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The 100 Club draw for the months of July, August and September 2025 will be made on Sunday 28 September. A letter is being sent to all current members of The 100 Club this weekend. (That is those who have paid up to or beyond 28/09/2025). It contains information about the reasons for operational changes that will have to be made to The 100 Club if it is to continue. Please **reply** to the **letter** no later than **Thursday 25 September**. Further information will then be included in this newsletter for the weekend of **Sunday 28 September**. In the meantime, unless specially agreed with me, please do not make any further payments to The 100 Club. Thank you. Kind Regards – Pamela Bailey



Dear St. Augustine's & Our Lady of Sorrows,

We would like to thank you for your kind support and recent donation to Slough Foodbank. We received your donations during July and August which weighed a total of 353kg. Each gift makes an enormous difference to families and individuals who are most in need in our local community.

To explain how your donation will help, approximately 10kg of essential food items and 1kg of toiletry items provide a single person with three days of emergency supplies. Our prime function is to supply a three-day emergency food parcel to those who suddenly find themselves in an unexpected crisis. In addition to food, we also supply basic toiletries and household products, as well as nappies, baby wipes and pet food if required. However, our support does not stop there. We offer a financial inclusion partnership with Citizens Advice East Berkshire helping people with issues relating to benefits, debt, low income, discrimination at work, housing, homelessness or ill health.

With our gratitude and warm wishes

Slough Foodbank



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.