



TIMES OF MASS AND LITURGIES THIS WEEK

11th Sunday after Pentecost	8.00am	Mass in Extraordinary Form (Tridentine)
NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Mass – Int. Bernadette Woods, RIP
Monday <i>St Pius X</i>	9.30am	Mass
Tuesday <i>The Queenship of the BVM</i>	9.30am	Mass
Wednesday <i>St Rose of Lima</i>	NO MASS	
Thursday ST BARTHOLOMEW	NO MASS	
Friday <i>Feria</i>	9.00am.	Mass
Saturday <i>Feria</i>	9.30am	Mass
	10.15am – 11.00am	Confessions
12th Sunday after Pentecost	8.00am	Mass in Extraordinary Form (Tridentine)
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Mass – Int. People of the parish

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH OUR CHILDREN

Is taking a break during the school holidays. It will continue in September.
 There are special 'Look' Activity Sheets for our children based on the Scripture Readings for today. Do take a copy for the children to work on during Mass, or to take home.



Prayer for the summer break

Lord God, We put ourselves into Your hands, and pray that You will bless us and our families during the wonderful months of summer. May we all help make our home a place of relaxation, joy, love, peace and safety. May we be generous and considerate, not thinking only about ourselves, but helping others enjoy the blessings of summertime. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen



Tea, coffee and cold drinks are served in The Guild Room after both of our Sunday Masses. All are welcome!

Infant Baptism and Marriage. By appointment with Fr Andy after completing the necessary preparation. **The Church requires** notice of at least six months prior to the Sacrament of Matrimony being celebrated.

About Liturgy

Second reading and revelation of the Gentiles: During Ordinary Time the second reading for Sundays and solemnities follow their own order, with semi-continuous readings from New Testament apostolic letters. This Sunday is one of the Sundays when by coincidence the second reading not only fits the gospel, first reading, and responsorial psalm but actually offers an interpretative insight. These readings must be understood in the cultural context of Jesus and his time: the Jewish nation understood the Messiah as One who would come to save *them* and by so doing all nations would come to receive salvation *through* God's mighty deeds for Israel. This Sunday's gospel and Paul's mission to the Gentiles underscore the radically different and challenging understanding of the Messiah Jesus brings – salvation is for all.



A Summer Blessing

May you walk with God this summer in whatever you do and wherever you go. May you talk to God this summer and every day and in every situation. May you talk with God every day.

Lectionary for Mass

First Reading: God invites all people to come and share in the promises made to Israel. Not only the Jewish people, but everyone is invited to keep the covenant and enter God's house, which is open not to single tribe, but to all people. Isaiah's vision should be our vision for our churches: God's house is "a house of prayerful for all the peoples."

Responsorial Psalm 66 calls upon all the nations to praise God, who is king over all peoples and nations.

Second Reading: Paul continues his reflection on the Jewish people – his people. He knows that Christ is the source of salvation; and he knows that God's promises are "irrevocable." Not all accept Christ, or turn towards him; but God desires to "show mercy to all." God's plan unfolds according to his will, and not ours.

Gospel: The theme of insiders and outsiders appears in all today's readings. In the Gospel, a Canaanite woman – an outsider, part of a nation who were long enemies of Jews – approaches Jesus to beg healing for her daughter. The disciples try to send her away, but she stubbornly refuses to go. Even when Jesus tells her that he has come for Israel only, she keeps asking for what she needs, and Jesus grants it. God's love and Christ's compassion reaches beyond our enemies and over our borders.



On Tuesday, the Church celebrates the **Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary.**

Mary is truly the "Favoured One of God." Her relationship with Jesus Christ was like no other, and God filled her life with grace from beginning to end because of her Son. Today we celebrate her at her Son's side in heaven. As Christ reigns in heaven, tradition teaches that God continues to favour the Mother of God, crowning her queen alongside her Son. Even in heaven, her relationship with Jesus Christ fills Mary's life with grace. On this memorial we rejoice in the fullness of hope and promise God shows us in Mary's life. She is Queen of Heaven, as God holds nothing back from her in the glory of heaven. Mary's joy is our hope as she lovingly guides us to join her at the side of her Son in eternity.

Diocese of Northampton – Liturgy Commission
Day for those who work with CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD
 Saturday 30 September 2017 10.30am – 1pm
NORES Centre, 22 Westbourne Road, Luton, LU4 8JD
 See noticeboard for booking leaflets

WE NEED MORE HELP! We *urgently* need more **helpers to clean** the Church on Friday mornings (or at another time, if that is more convenient to you). Could you spare just one hour once a month? We also need a **least two new teams** of two unrelated people to help count the offertory collection once a month after Sunday Mass, this takes approximately 40 minutes. Do you think you would be able to help? If so, please speak with Fr Andy

Money Matters

Last Week's Offertory Collection – £254.63

Thank you for your generosity

If you would like to begin supporting the parish through Offertory Envelopes or directly through your bank, please speak with Fr Andy.

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Are you new to the parish?

If so, you are very welcome! Do introduce yourself to Father Andy after Mass, and please complete a parish registration form.