

**CWL** On Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September the CWL were delighted to **welcome 5 new members**. It was such a joy to see Mary, Catherine, Noreen, Maria and Sylvia at our monthly meeting. Friendship is so important and being with like minded people is always a pleasure. Our aim is to continue to help our parish and wider community. Once again Ladies a Big Thank You for joining us.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM THE LONDON AND SLOUGH RUN** We are very grateful to accept donations of specific clothing for our clients to support their dignity and their physical needs. However, lately, we have had a problem with some items donated to Our Lady of Peace Church that cannot be used. Disposing of them hasn't been easy and at times is almost unmanageable. So, we thought it would be useful to clarify the items that are really useful, such as: winter coats, winter jackets, sweaters, sweatshirts, shirts, tops, boots, shoes, trainers as well as sleeping bags and blankets. Thank you so much for your donations, **we will aim to collect from OLOP every Saturday**. Please do not leave duvets, pillows, cushions, children's clothes or old toys or other household items which we cannot use. Your cooperation is enormously appreciated. For queries regarding the London and Slough Run please contact: Ph: 07746 950181 E: [admin@thelondonandsloughrun.org](mailto:admin@thelondonandsloughrun.org)

**A CORPORAL WORK OF MERCY: VISIT THE PRISONER** God calls each of us in different ways to serve Him and our neighbour. This prisons week, you are invited to join a live Zoom meeting online to hear the testimony of how a lay prison chaplain became involved in prison ministry and evangelisation. Those over the age of 18 are welcome and there will be time for Q&A and prayer. These hour-long informal talks will happen this month of October and will contain the same content: Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> at 20:00, Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> at 20:00, Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> at 20:00, Friday 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:30. For the Zoom link, please email [claz.gomez@justice.gov.uk](mailto:claz.gomez@justice.gov.uk) with your preferred day of attendance, and roughly where you are located. You'll be emailed back with the link.

**SHEKHINAH PRAYER GROUP** Meets weekly on Wednesdays from 7.00pm to 8.30pm via Zoom. They hold Catholic teachings on different topics. Lectio Divina (Praying the Scriptures), takes place on alternative weeks. The talk for this Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October will be Divina and Reflections on the Gospel Matthew 21:33-43 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time A. The Speaker will be Bro Bade.

**BISHOP'S CERTIFICATE IN CATECHESIS LEVEL 1** Do you feel called to be a catechist? Do you want to help children, young people or adults grow as disciples of Jesus? Are you already a catechist and want to develop your understanding and skills? If so come along to this in person Catechist Training Course designed to equip you. At the beautiful setting of the **Bridgettine Guest House, Iver Heath on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November (eve) and all-day Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November**. You can attend this course on a non-residential or residential basis. The cost for includes the course, all course materials, meals on Friday evening and Saturday as well as refreshments. £75 per person non-residential or £125 residential (staying one night). Rooms available are single, twin and shared on a first come first served basis. Arrivals will be from 5.00pm on Friday evening and dinner at 7.00pm. The course will end with dinner at 7.00pm on Saturday. For more information and to book your place please visit: [www.northamptondiocese.org/courses](http://www.northamptondiocese.org/courses)

**"BUILDING OUR FUTURE TOGETHER"** October is the month of the Holy Rosary, and Bridget from St Andrews has come up with an excellent idea to raise money for the building project: In essence, try to create some time in your day to say the Rosary every day throughout October. It is a wonderful opportunity to deepen faith and converse interiorly with Jesus and Mary. The Rosary is known for its meditative qualities, and therefore can bring peace and tranquillity to our hectic lives. Bridget's idea is that we each put aside some money when we say the Rosary and at the end of October, we bring whatever we have collected to Mass. Bridget has produced a lovely little Rosary starter pack for anyone who needs help.



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## 1<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER 2023 TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (YEAR A)

**DROP-IN SESSIONS FOR OLOP REFURBISHMENT:** As indicated last Sunday, we will be hosting drop-in sessions for a couple of weeks starting this weekend. The drop-in events are meant to present parishioners with architectural drawings and further facts about our refurbishing plans. It will be an excellent opportunity for members of our church to ask questions about the plans and seek clarification on any topic related to the project. Kindly note that this will take place immediately following our weekend Masses in Our Lady of Peace. **Please stay after Mass and help us get the next phase of our project up and running.**

**24 HOURS ADORATION** Parishioners are invited to join in our usual First Friday 24 Hour Adoration this 6<sup>th</sup> October starting at 10.00am and ending with Benediction (9.30am) and Mass at **10.00am** on Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> October. Please add your name to the hourly rota on the Lectern.

**HOUR OF GRACE** will take place on Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, beginning with a Mass at 7 pm at Our Lady of Peace Church, Burnham. This First Friday **Fr. Pius, Parish Priest of Slough**, will share his experience of Healing during his ministry with the Sion Community. Come and be blessed as it promises to be a spirit-filled time of praise, worship, and ministration.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024** Catholic Children in Year 3 are invited to take part in the parish-based programme of preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist, leading up to their First Confession and First Holy Communion. Children from Non-Catholic schools are very welcome, and encouraged, to join the programme. If your child is in **Year 3 or above**, and you wish them to receive their First Holy Communion in 2024 you will need to enroll them on the First Holy Communion programme. The First Holy Communion classes will begin in January 2024 and will be held on Saturday mornings. Please provide your expression of interest by **13<sup>th</sup> October** via email to [olopcommunion@gmail.com](mailto:olopcommunion@gmail.com). The maximum number of children we can take is 88, if we reach that number by the deadline of 13<sup>th</sup> October, then any latecomers will have to wait until the start of the 2004/2025 edition. **Please note that your child will need to be Baptised in order to join the programme.**

**CONFIRMATION 2024 ENROLMENT** If you are interested in your son/daughter receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation next year and they are in the academic Year 8 or above, then please register your interest to [confirmationolop@gmail.com](mailto:confirmationolop@gmail.com). Registration will close on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

**LAUNCHING THE OLOP COFFEE MORNING** We are pleased to launch a new tea/coffee morning which will be held once a month immediately following the 9.30am Mass at Our Lady of Peace Church on the first Wednesday of the month. All are welcome to join us for a friendly chat and a catch-up. The first coffee morning will be on Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, Feast of St Francis of Assisi. Hope to see you there.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Demi Alba Wells who will be Baptised on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October. Please keep Demi, her parents, Grandparents and Godparents in your prayers.

## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

<b>Saturday</b> <b>6.00pm</b>	<b>30<sup>th</sup> September</b> <b>Our Lady of Peace</b> (Vigil Mass)	<b>TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b> Thanksgiving for Eldred Mascarenhas (Zeena) People of the Parish
<b>Sunday</b> <b>9.30am</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> October</b> Our Lady of Peace	Fr. Russell Campbell RIP Anniversary (Denise) Bridie O'Connor INT (Brid & Mairin) Adesegun Agbaje RIP 35 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary (Edward Agbaje) Bob Potter INT (CWL)
<b>11.30am</b>	St. Andrews	Angelo Nazareth RIP Birthday Remembrance (Sepala) Special Thanksgiving (Eljie, Pepito Reyes & Children)
<b>Monday</b> <b>8.15am</b> <b>9.15am</b> <b>9.30am</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> October</b> Adoration Morning Prayer Mass	<b>Our Lady of Peace</b>  Michael Matwiejczyk INT (R.Group) Tony Minogue RIP (Mary Hamed) Rev. Babatunde Adesilu RIP Birthday Remembrance (Edward Agbaje)
<b>Tuesday</b> <b>8.15am</b> <b>9.15am</b> <b>9.30am</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> October</b> Adoration Morning Prayer Mass	<b>Our Lady of Peace</b>  Brittney Rodrigues 21 <sup>st</sup> Birthday (Jose Rodrigues) George and Clotilde Rawlings RIP (Edward Agbaje)
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>8.15am</b> <b>9.15am</b> <b>9.30am</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> October</b> Adoration Morning Prayer Mass	<b>Our Lady of Peace</b>  Eleanor Kempson Family INT (R. Group)
<b>Thursday</b> <b>8.30am</b> <b>9.15am</b> <b>9.30am</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> October</b> Adoration Morning Prayer Mass	<b>St Andrew's</b>  Adriana Pena-Torok Family INT (R.Group)
<b>Friday</b> <b>8.15am</b> <b>9.15am</b> <b>9.30am</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup> October</b> Adoration Morning Prayer Mass	<b>Our Lady of Peace</b>  Elizabeth Clarke RIP (Family) John Lynch RIP (Family)
<b>10.00am</b>	Our Lady of Peace	24 hours Adoration
<b>7.00pm</b>	Our Lady of Peace	People of the Parish
<b>Saturday</b> <b>9.30am</b> <b>10.00am</b>	<b>7<sup>th</sup> October</b> Our Lady of Peace Mass	<b>Our Lady of Peace</b> Benediction Aleksander Pepaj RIP (R.Group)
<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>Our Lady of Peace</b> (Vigil Mass)	Zoltan Torok RIP (R. Group)

**DECEASED** Please pray for **Manuel Kanagasuntherie RIP** who died on 10<sup>th</sup> September aged 49, his Requiem Mass will be on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 10.00am at Our Lady of Peace Church followed by Slough Crematorium. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace, Amen.

**OFFERTORY** The collection for 24<sup>th</sup> September amounted to £657.85. The DONA plate offerings amounted to £34.42 for this weekends. We are very grateful for your continued support. **There will be a retiring collection NEXT weekend for CAFOD.**

**TEA AND COFFEE** The money raised from the teas and coffees will be for the **Church Refurbishment Fund**. Refreshments are available each Sunday after the 9.30am Mass. The total collection for Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> September was £35.50. Thank you so much to everyone.

**CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY APPEAL – HARVEST COLLECTION AT MASSES** Dr Nasha's mobile medical clinic gets life-saving help to where it's needed most, fast – so when her team arrived in Meera's village in Pakistan after it had been destroyed by flooding, Meera rushed to the clinic to get her children the treatment they needed. Donate to CAFOD today so that more families can get the expert help they need. Use the envelope in Church or give online at [cafod.org.uk](http://cafod.org.uk)

**DIOCESAN MASS FOR THOSE WITH DISABILITIES, THEIR PARENTS, CARERS AND FRIENDS** Celebrated by Bishop David Oakley and Priests of the Diocese on Sunday October 8<sup>th</sup> at 3.00pm at Cathedral of St. Thomas of Canterbury Kingsthorpe Road, Northampton NN2 6AG. Refreshments afterwards. Any questions, kindly contact Sean Ballantyne on [Ballantynes2000@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:Ballantynes2000@yahoo.co.uk) Please see poster on parish noticeboard.

**HOST OUR LADY WITH THE ROSARY:** "When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing by, He said to His mother, "Woman, behold your son!" Then He said to the disciple, "Behold your mother!" **And from that hour that disciple took her to his own home.** (John 19:26-27). In October, the month of the Holy Rosary, we have the opportunity to be the loving Disciples of Christ who bring Our Blessed Mother home. Our parish clergy will be available to pray with individuals and families in their homes. Throughout the month of October, a lovely statue of Our Lady of Fatima will visit our homes as we strive to pray the rosary all month long. Please contact Venecia, our Parish Secretary, via email [office.ourladyofpeace@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:office.ourladyofpeace@northamptondiocese.org) or by phone at 0162860576 to express your interest and provide a few preferable dates.

## VACANCIES

### **COVER SUPERVISOR 32.5 hours per week**

Term time plus 5 Inset days Level 3, point 7 Actual Salary £17,598 p.a. (Required for September) St Joseph's Catholic High School, Shaggy Calf Lane, Slough, SL2 5HW. Any Information pack can be downloaded from the school website [www.st-josephs.slough.sch.uk](http://www.st-josephs.slough.sch.uk) Only applications submitted on the school's application form will be considered. Tel : 01753 524713

### **FOOD TECHNICIAN 19.5 hours per week - Closing date noon on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2023.**

Term time plus 1 week Insets/during school closure 8.30 – 3.30pm Tuesday – Thursday STCAT SCP 6 Actual Salary £10,378. (Required to start ASAP). St Joseph's Catholic High School, Shaggy Calf Lane, Slough, SL2 5HW. Any Information pack is available from the school or can be downloaded from the school website [www.st-josephs.slough.sch.uk](http://www.st-josephs.slough.sch.uk)

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY** This year WORLD MISSION SUNDAY will be observed universally on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October. The targeted parish is Kibera, Nigeria. Please bear this date in mind.