

Northampton Cathedral Hub serving the following Churches in our Diocese

Cathedral NN2 6AG | St Aidan's Kingsthorpe NN2 6QJ | SS Francis & Therese Hunsbury NN4 0RZ | St Thomas More Towcester NN12 6JX

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8th December 2024 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (C)

Feast Days: Monday: Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, **Friday:** St Lucy, **Saturday:** St John of the Cross

Day	Date	Time	Cathedral Church of Our Lady Immaculate & St Thomas of Canterbury
Saturday	7th December	9.30am	Patrick Flynn RIP ADORATION AND CONFESSIONS AFTER MASS
		12.30pm	CONVALIDATION OF CHUKWUEMEKA EDWARD NWAJIOBI-EVA & CHIAMAKA EUPHEMIA OKEKE
		6.00pm	The Hogan Family RIP
Sunday	8th December	8.30am	John & Ann Ansell RIP
		11.00am	Jacqueline McWhinney RIP
		5.15pm	FOR THE PARISH
Monday	9th December	12noon	MASS FOR THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE VIRGIN MARY Celebrated by Bishop David
		7.00pm	Michael Dooley RIP
Tuesday	10th December	9.30am	Marian Slota RIP
		7.00pm	CYNTHIA SPENCER TREE OF LOVE SERVICE
Wednesday	11th December	7.00am	'RORATE' DAWN MASS BY CANDLELIGHT FOR ADVENT Maureen Clarke RIP
		9.30am	Frances Roddy RIP Tea & Coffee after Mass in the St Thomas Centre
		7.00pm	NMPAT Concert
Thursday	12th December	9.30am	Jo Ben RIP
		12noon	FUNERAL SERVICE FOR IRIS FOX RIP
		7.00pm	CYNTHIA SPENCER TREE OF LOVE SERVICE
Friday	13th December	9.30am	Lily & Chris Butler RIP
Saturday	14th December	9.30am	June Newton RIP ADORATION AND CONFESSIONS AFTER MASS
		6.00pm	Gerry & Peggy Roan RIP
Sunday	15th December	8.30am	FOR THE PARISH
		11.00am	Lynskey & Gaughan Family RIP
		5.15pm	Esther & Jim Cook RIP

Day	Date	Time	St Aidan's, Kingsthorpe www.staidansnorthampton.org.uk
Sunday	7th December	9.45am	Bernie Burbage RIP Tea/Coffee After Mass
Monday	8th December	9.30am	Ann Buckley RIP Adoration and Confession before Mass
Thursday	12th December	9.30am	Rebecca Parry RIP Adoration and Confession before Mass
Sunday	15th December	9.45am	FOR THE PARISH Tea/Coffee After Mass

Day	Date	Time	Ss Francis & Therese, Hunsbury www.ss-francis-and-therese.org.uk
Sunday	8th December	9.30am	FOR THE PARISH Tea/Coffee After Mass
Tuesday	10th December	9.30am	Eileen Ryng RIP Adoration, Rosary & Confession before Mass Tea/Coffee After Mass
Thursday	12th December	9.30am	Monica Lowe Int Adoration, Rosary & Confession before Mass
Sunday	15th December	9.30am	Michael Earley RIP Tea/Coffee After Mass

Day	Date	Time	St Thomas More, Towcester www.stthomasmorercc.org
Saturday	7th December	2.00pm	Baptism of Billie Ann
		5.30pm	Tom Donnelly RIP Adoration + Confession 4.45pm to 5.15pm
Sunday	8th December	11.00am	Patrick McGrath RIP
Monday	9th December	9.30am	Richard Bledowski Int
Wednesday	11th December	9.30am	Thomas Donnelly RIP Tea/Coffee in the hall after Mass
Friday	13th December	9.30am	Josef Aksamit RIP
Saturday	14th December	5.30pm	Tedeus Aksamit RIP Adoration + Confession 4.45pm to 5.15pm
Sunday	15th December	11.00am	Michael Gallagher RIP

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

John proclaims a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins; Isaiah urges Jerusalem to get ready for the joyful return of the exiles. If we desire the renewal of ourselves and a fresh start, the baptism of repentance shows us the way. We need to get ready for the Lord by casting off those things that block his coming, namely our sins.

DIOCESAN PATRONAL FEAST OF THE IMMACULATION CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Mass will be celebrated by Bishop David in our Cathedral at **12noon on Monday 9th December.**

EARLY MORNING MASS ON WEDNESDAY 11th DECEMBER at 7.00am

'Rorate' Mass by Candlelight will be celebrated at 7.00am on Wednesday mornings throughout Advent, as part of our preparation for the Christmas Season. Please do try to come along for this Mass.

FUNDRAISER FOR CATHEDRAL GOOD COMPANIONS & CARITAS

Monday 9th DECEMBER AT 7.30PM

Please come and support an evening of **50's & 60's music** performed by BLUD (Ukulele & Drum group) in the St Thomas Centre. Tickets cost £10

'HEAVENS ABOVE' SUNDAY 8TH DECEMBER 4PM

at Ss Francis & Therese Church

Our Family Advent Carol Service. With readings and traditional carols, we'll take a fresh look at the Advent Story. Everyone is welcome, especially families; if your children would like to take part, please see Mary Leeming after any 9.30 Sunday Mass. Refreshments afterwards.

ADVENT ON-LINE RETREAT:

On 4 Monday nights at 7:30 – 8:30pm, **Monday 9th December**, Fr John Udris and Avril Baigent will be leading an on-line retreat called **'Doorways to Grace'**. We explore the 4 Holy Doors of Rome and the saints behind them. How we, like them, are being called into a grace filled encounter with Jesus in the coming Jubilee Year. To watch the trailer and to register for the retreat go to <https://northamptondiocese.org/doorways/>

CAFOD GIFTS Please take a copy of the Books of Gifts

CARITAS NORTHAMPTON LOVE CHRISTMAS CAMPAIGN

You will have received information from

regarding this years 'Love Christmas' campaign. If you would like to get involved, please sign up on the website link. <https://northamptondiocese.org/lovechristmas/> or contact the Caritas office on **01604**

434362 or 07756 685220

200 CLUB WINNERS Congratulations to our Christmas Winners

1st Prize No 27 2nd Prize No 46 3rd Prize No 129

FOOD STORE APPEAL - New gifts are needed for the families we support, Please donate this before the 16/12/24 to the Parish Office. Thank you.

RELIGIOUS CHRISTMAS CARDS & GIFTS

Our church repositories and the St

Thomas Centre have religious Christmas cards, calendars, diaries and a range of gifts, so shop local.

ADVENT SERVICE OF READINGS & CAROLS AT ST AIDAN'S

Sunday 15th December at 3pm

Do come and join us for our parish preparation for Christmas.

A selection of readings and carols

leading us into this very special season. The children from our Liturgy Group will be taking part.

Drinks and Mince Pies will be available afterwards.

CATHEDRAL HUB PARISH WEEKLY COLLECTIONS THANK YOU

Thank you for your support.

<p>Cathedral W/e 30th Nov & 1st Dec £1529.06 plus S/O £989.50 approx. Total £2518.56</p>	<p>St Aidan W/e 30th Nov & 1st Dec £282.04 plus S/O £291.00 approx. Total £573.04 Second Collection £285.05</p>
<p>Ss Francis and Therese W/e 30th Nov & 1st Dec £406.64 plus S/O £181.25 approx. Total £587.89 Second Collection £302.70</p>	<p>St Thomas More W/e 30th Nov & 1st Dec £405.28 plus S/O £242.25 approx. Total £647.53 Second Collection £392.47</p>

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Iris Fox: Thursday

Catherine (Kitty) McDermott

Patricia Geraghty: Tuesday 17th D

Dorothy Giancola: Mo

Catherine Lennon: Th

Barry Hydes: Monc

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CATHEDRAL HUB GROUPS

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Choir Practice: Thursday

Legion of Mary: Saturday 14th December

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SVP Meeting: Monday

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Wednesday 26th December Feast of St Step

CHRISTMAS

Tree of Love Services organised by Cynth

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Rainbows Hospice

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Enjoy a performance from local school

Fiori Musicali – J S Bach Christmas Oratorio

Gloriously uplifting and j

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