

# 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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**PARISH REPOSITORY/SHOP: ST THOMAS CENTRE**  
For Mass cards and religious items.  
Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu and Fri, 10am-1pm  
The Parish Office is closed on Thursday afternoon.

**12th JANUARY 2025 THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (C) The Season of Christmas ends today.**

**FEAST DAYS: Friday: St Anthony of Egypt**

Day	Date	Time	Cathedral Church of Our Lady Immaculate & St Thomas of Canterbury
Saturday	11th January	9.30am	Sr Moninna RIP <span style="float:right">ADORATION AND CONFESSIONS AFTER MASS</span>
		6.00pm	<b>FOR THE PARISH</b>
Sunday	12th January	8.30am	Partick & Mary O'Rourke RIP
		11.00am	Thanksgiving (Leny Teles)
		5.15pm	Frank & Nellie O'Callaghan RIP
Monday	13th January	7.00pm	Peggy Roan RIP
Tuesday	14th January	9.30am	Annie Clack Int
Wednesday	15th January	9.30am	Maria Zampetti RIP <span style="float:right">Tea/Coffee after Mass in the St Thomas Centre</span>
Thursday	16th January	7.00pm	Thomas Donnelly RIP
Friday	17th January	10.00am	<b>FUNERAL MASS FOR MICHAEL HEAPHY RIP</b>
		7.00pm	<b>Rosary led by The Knights of St Columba</b>
Saturday	18th January	9.30am	Betty O'Sullivan RIP <span style="float:right">ADORATION AND CONFESSIONS AFTER MASS</span>
		12.00noon	Baptism of Chidera & Nel
		6.00pm	John & Philomena Clancy RIP
Sunday	19th January	8.30am	<b>FOR THE PARISH</b>
		11.00am	Ayden Teles Int
		5.15pm	Mary Cadden RIP

Day	Date	Time	St Aidan's, Kingsthorpe	<a href="http://www.staidansnorthampton.org.uk">www.staidansnorthampton.org.uk</a>
Sunday	12th January	9.45am	<b>FOR THE PARISH</b>	<span style="float:right">Tea/Coffee After Mass</span>
Monday	13th January	9.30am	Thomas Donnelly RIP	<span style="float:right">Adoration and Confession before Mass</span>
Thursday	16th January	9.30am	Zorina Ishmail-Biby RIP	<span style="float:right">Adoration and Confession before Mass</span>
Sunday	19th January	9.45am	Joan & David Angier RIP	<span style="float:right">Tea/Coffee After Mass</span>

Day	Date	Time	Ss Francis & Therese, Hunsbury	<a href="http://www.ss-francis-and-therese.org.uk">www.ss-francis-and-therese.org.uk</a>
Sunday	12th January	9.30am	Alice Roddy Int	<span style="float:right">Tea/Coffee After Mass</span>
Tuesday	14th January	9.30am	Kathleen Boyd Int	<span style="float:right">Adoration and Confession before Mass</span>
Thursday	16th January	9.30am	Elsie Conway Int	<span style="float:right">Adoration and Confession before Mass</span>
Sunday	12th January	9.30am	Michael Earley RIP	<span style="float:right">Tea/Coffee After Mass</span>

Day	Date	Time	St Thomas More, Towcester	<a href="http://www.stthomasmorercc.org">www.stthomasmorercc.org</a>
Saturday	11th January	5.30pm	Bishop David Int	<span style="float:right">Adoration + Confession 4.45pm to 5.15pm</span>
Sunday	12th January	11.00am	<b>FOR THE PARISH</b>	
Monday	13th January	9.30am	For the Sick & Housebound	<span style="float:right">Adoration 9.00am to 9.30am</span>
Wednesday	15th January	9.30am	Peace on Earth	<span style="float:right">Adoration 9.00am to 9.30am</span>
Friday	17th January	9.30am	Martin Mason RIP	<span style="float:right">Adoration 9.00am to 9.30am</span>
Saturday	18th January	5.30pm	John Gallagher RIP	<span style="float:right">Adoration + Confession 4.45pm to 5.15pm</span>
Sunday	19th January	11.00am	Janie Frost Int	

**Response to the Psalm: The Lord will bless his people with peace.**

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia. The heavens were opened and the voice of the Father thundered:  
'This is my beloved Son; listen to him. Alleluia!**

### THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

God the Father announces his final relationship with Jesus saying, 'listen to him'. In reading the Gospels we are listening to what God, incarnate in Jesus Christ, is saying. God's word is active and alive, and every encounter we have with Our Lord in the scriptures can change us and those around us for the better. Our listening becomes the means. It is an essential element in our path to holiness.

**CATHEDRAL SVP** warmly invite you...

to a celebration Mass in the **Cathedral at 12noon on 25th January** followed by light refreshments in St Thomas Centre to mark 20 years since our conference was re-formed at the Cathedral thanks to support from parishioners. RSVP with attendance and any dietary requirements to the SVP mobile on 07591060335 or email [svpnorthamptoncathedral2@gmail.com](mailto:svpnorthamptoncathedral2@gmail.com)

### CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME 2025

**The on-line application process has now closed.**

A parents evening for confirmation candidates will take place on Monday 27th January at 7.30pm in the St Thomas Centre

### CELEBRATING THE LOVE OF COUPLES

Any Valentine's Day plans? All couples are eagerly invited to a special National Marriage Week celebration including afternoon activities, a Children's Programme, and evening hospitality in the Cathedral's St Thomas Centre on Saturday, 15th February 2025. Pre-registration is ESSENTIAL at <https://bit.ly/teams.gbcentral-2025eventsignup>. To learn more, email Janet and Paul DeBoo at [centralgb@teams-transatlantic.org](mailto:centralgb@teams-transatlantic.org). Janet and Paul DeBoo, Regional Couple, Teams GB Central Region

### PARENTS EVENING FOR BAPTISMS

The next parents evening for those wishing to have their children baptised will take place on Tuesday 14th January at 7.00pm in the St Thomas Centre. At the end of this session, you will be able to book a date for your child's baptism. If you need more information, then please contact the parish office on Tel 01604 714556

### DIOCESE JUNIOR CHOIR

Do you have a child between 7 to 11 years who is interested in joining the Diocese Junior Choir. This will take place on Wednesdays from 4.15pm to 5.15pm in the St Thomas Centre. Email [choirs@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:choirs@northamptondiocese.org) if you wish to register or find out more information. The choir leader is Ms Marcela Campana

### NEW ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

If you would like to learn to serve on the Altar in your parish then please let your Priest know so that training can be arranged. You need to have made your first communion and be keen to want to grow in your faith and understanding the process of the Mass.

### 200 CLUB WINNERS FOR JANUARY 2025

**1st Prize** No 80 **2nd Prize** No 164 **3rd Prize** No 14  
Congratulations to our winners and thank you to all who support this fundraising for the Friends of the Cathedral.

### THANK YOU FROM THE FOOD STORE

The Food Store is most grateful for the support received from you the parishioners of our hub churches. All the gifts and financial donations have been most helpful during the Christmas period. **Thank you to the team of volunteers for make this service possible.**

### DIOCESAN DIRECTORY FOR 2025

Copies of the new 2025 directory are now available. **Cost £7.50**

### CATHEDRAL HUB PARISH WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

<b>Cathedral</b> W/e 5th & 6th January £1578.42 plus S/O £989.50 approx. <b>Total £2567.92</b>	<b>St Aidan</b> W/e 5th & 6th January £237.26 plus S/O £291.00 approx. <b>Total £528.26</b>
<b>Ss Francis and Therese</b> W/e 5th & 6th January £429.23 plus S/O £181.25 approx. <b>Total £610.48</b>	<b>St Thomas More</b> W/e 5th & 6th January £452.79 plus S/O £242.25 approx. <b>Total £695.04</b>

### MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Please pray for those who have died recently

**Michael Heaphy:** Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January at 10am (Cathedral)

**Siobhan Smith:** Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January at 11am (Cathedral)

**Noreen Myers:** Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January at 10am (Cathedral)

**Vita Bonsignore:** Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January at 10am (Cathedral)

**Denis Galvin:** Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January at 1pm (Ss Francis & Therese)

**Mary Brown:** Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January at 11.00am (Cathedral)

**Martin Noone:** Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January at 2.15pm

(Counties Crematorium)

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The next session will take place on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January from 6.30pm to 7.30pm in the St Thomas Centre

### SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD (SUNDAY 26th JANUARY)

It is devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the word of God. Bishop David will lead a liturgical celebration in our Cathedral on the 26<sup>th</sup> January at 3pm. All those who proclaim and/or teach the scriptures are invited to pray together and be commissioned for their ministry and are welcome to attend either in person or virtually.

### CATHEDRAL HUB GROUPS

**Scripture Reflection:** Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January at 7.0pm (St Felix Room)

**Choir Practice:** Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January at 6.30pm (St Felix Room)

**Legion of Mary:** Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January at 4pm (St Felix Room)

**Bereavement Group:** Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> February at 2.30pm to 4.30pm in the Cathedral & Sacristy

### ALL THESE EVENTS BELOW ARE IN THE ST THOMAS CENTRE

**SVP Meeting:** Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm

**Good Companions:** Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 12noon to 3pm

**Food Store Distribution:** Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January from 11am to 12.30pm

### YEAR OF HOPE

#### An Introduction to the Jubilee Year with the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development

2025 is a Jubilee year, but what does that mean? How will the Church be celebrating it? How can I get involved? Catholic talk show host and author Nana Churcher, and CAFOD's Simon Giarchi will be hosting Fr Jan Nowotnik (Director of Mission for the Bishop's Conference), Christine Allen (CAFOD's Director) and Kayode Akintola (CAFOD's Head of Africa) and more in this lively start to the Jubilee. Hear highlights of how we're celebrating as a church and how we can be tangible signs of hope and build a better world together throughout this holy year. With a special appearance by Catholic band Ooberfuse.

**Saturday 18 Jan, 10:30am-midday, online.** Register here for free: [cafod.org.uk/jubilee](https://cafod.org.uk/jubilee)

#### 'A JOURNEY OF HOPE' Lenten Accompaniment Prayer

For the Jubilee Year this Lent, there is an opportunity of a retreat in daily life, on Mondays from 3<sup>rd</sup> March. Begin or deepen your prayer life, get to know the Scriptures better, and above all, grow in faith and in love for the Lord who loves you. You will receive weekly one-to-one support from an experienced prayer guide on zoom. To find out more, sign up to our introductory webinar on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 7.30pm to 8.30pm

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/northamptondiocese/1506153>

### DIOCESAN CALENDAR FOR 2025

Copies of the new Priests Calendar for 2025 are available at **£5.00 each** from the St Thomas Centre or your parish repository.

### CHURCHES TOGETHER NORTHAMPTON WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY SERVICE

Led by Rev Paul Lavender (CTN Moderator)

### PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORIE

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October to 14<sup>th</sup> October 2025.

Cost 350 to 420 Euros plus cost of the flight. Contact Ann Marie on 07833150126 or 01604 858549 for more information.