

# 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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For Mass cards and religious items.  
Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu and Fri, 10am-1pm  
The Parish Office is closed on Thursday afternoon.

## 2nd FEBRUARY 2025 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)

FEAST DAYS: Wednesday: St Agatha, Thursday: St Paul Miki & Companions

Day	Date	Time	Cathedral Church of Our Lady Immaculate & St Thomas of Canterbury		
Saturday	1st February	9.30am	Thomas Donnelly RIP	FIRST SATURDAY MASS	ADORATION AND CONFESSION AFTER MASS
		6.00pm	Ann Heaphy RIP	ENROLMENT MASS FOR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES	
Sunday	2nd February	8.30am	Mary Rose Dullaghan RIP		
		11.00am	Richard & Irena Bledowski Int		
		5.15pm	FOR THE PARISH		
Monday	3rd February	7.00pm	Christopher Stephenson RIP	ROSARY AT 6.15PM LED BY THE LEGION OF MARY	
Tuesday	4th February	9.30am	Faith Doran Int		
		4.30pm	RECEPTION INTO CHURCH OF MOYA JONES RIP		
Wednesday	5th February	10.00am	FUNERAL MASS FOR MOYA JONES RIP		
Thursday	6th February	7.00pm	Thomas Donnelly RIP		
Friday	7th February	12noon	Anne & Paddy Whelan RIP	PILGRIMAGE MASS AND CONFESSIONS AFTER MASS	
Saturday	8th February	9.30am	Family of Modester Agubuzu Int	ADORATION AND CONFESSION AFTER MASS	
		12noon	Wedding of Delvene and David		
		6.00pm	Tina Doran RIP		
Sunday	9th February	8.30am	Johnny Heaphy RIP		
		11.00am	James Carroll RIP		
		5.15pm	FOR THE PARISH		

Day	Date	Time	St Aidan's, Kingsthorpe	<a href="http://www.staidansnorthampton.org.uk">www.staidansnorthampton.org.uk</a>
Saturday	1st February	12noon	Baptism of Arabella and Emma	
Sunday	2nd February	9.45am	Noreen Roche RIP	Tea/Coffee After Mass
Monday	3rd February	9.30am	Joanne Mitchell RIP	Adoration and Confession before Mass
Thursday	6th February	9.30am	Chris Laly RIP	Adoration and Confession before Mass
Sunday	9th February	9.45am	Mary & Jimmy Doherty RIP	Tea/Coffee After Mass

Day	Date	Time	Ss Francis & Therese, Hunsbury	www.ss-francis-and-therese.org.uk
Sunday	2nd February	9.30am	Teresa Cottrell Int	Tea/Coffee After Mass
Tuesday	4th February	9.30am	Mick Heaphy RIP	Adoration and Confession before Mass
Thursday	6th February	9.30am	Noreen Myers RIP	Adoration and Confession before Mass
Sunday	9th February	9.30am	FOR THE PARISH	Tea/Coffee After Mass

Day	Date	Time	St Thomas More, Towcester	<a href="http://www.stthomasmorercc.org">www.stthomasmorercc.org</a>
Saturday	1st February	5.30pm	Cheeku Joseph Int	Adoration + Confession 4.45pm to 5.15pm
Sunday	2nd February	11.00am	FOR THE PARISH	
Monday	3rd February	9.30am	Fr Jim Reynolds Int	Confession & Adoration 9.00am to 9.30am
Wednesday	5th February	9.30am	Ann Smith RIP	Confession & Adoration 9.00am to 9.30am
Friday	7th February	9.30am	Paul Collins Int	Confession & Adoration 9.00am to 9.30am
Saturday	8th February	5.30pm	Mark Niedzwiecki Int	Adoration + Confession 4.45pm to 5.15pm
Sunday	9th February	11.00am	Rosemary & Mike O'Connor Int	

**Response to the Psalm: My mouth will tell of your salvation, O Lord.**

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia. The Lord has sent me to proclaim good news to the poor; to proclaim liberty to the captives. Alleluia!**

#### FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (C)

##### PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

There are several parallels between Jeremiah and Jesus, not least in the way they are both persecuted for speaking uncomfortable truths. The willingness to speak the truth at personal cost is a sign of love, and it is cruciform shape of Christ's love – a love that should animate all that we do – that is St Paul's inspiration for his poetic description of love in today's second reading. Mercy without truth is merely comfortable lying.

##### SECOND COLLECTION ON SUNDAY 2ND FEBRUARY FOR THOMAS BECKET RISE THEATRE VISIT

We welcome Thomas Becket Catholic School who will be attending the 11am Mass in the Cathedral on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February to provide the music, the readings, take the collections and be a part of the Cathedral community. It has been agreed that our churches will support the school with the cost of a production from the RISE Theatre as part of their education.

##### SOME GOOD NEWS...RE:NEW is changing its times!

The new times are 10.30am-12.30pm! So for those who like to come to Mass on Saturday morning you will still be able to come along to RENEW after Mass.

Our next RE:NEW Northampton morning is coming up very soon on Saturday 8th February 2025 at starting at 10.30am in the St Thomas Centre, Northampton. You will be very welcome! Our speaker this month is Cathedral Dean Fr Simon Penhalagan!

##### NEW SUNDAY MISSALS

We have placed an order for the New Sunday Missals, and they will be available at the end of February.

##### JUBILEE CHURCHES IN OUR DIOCESE

Bishop David has designated three churches as Jubilee Churches  
**Northampton Cathedral**

**Holy Child and St Joseph in Bedford**  
**St Peter, Marlow**

Parishes and pastoral areas are encouraged to make a pilgrimage to one of these churches during this jubilee year.

**From this Friday, Mass at the Cathedral will now be at 12noon and become our Pilgrimage Mass. Confession will be available after Mass. There will be no 9.30am Mass on Fridays**

##### BIG PARENTING QUESTION FOR TEENS - Northampton

**Date:** March 11, 2025 **Time:** 7:30 pm **Price:** £6.00 There are some complimentary tickets contact mail@cff.org.uk

**Venue:** New Life Church NN1 2SN

**Navigating the leap from childhood to adolescence.**

**Information:** Other parents are saying this event was, 'really helpful to understand this period of my child's life and how to approach parenting.' **CARE FOR THE FAMILY**

##### POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

##### CHAPLAINCY FOR PATIENTS AT NORTHAMPTON GENERAL HOSPITAL

The Cathedral Chaplaincy team are in the hospital twice a week to visit and support patients. If you need a priest for a family member or friend then please contact the Cathedral office.

##### CATHEDRAL HUB PARISH WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

<b>Cathedral</b> <b>W/e 24th &amp; 25th January</b> <b>£1839.01 plus</b> <b>S/O £989.50 approx.</b> <b>Total £2828.51</b>	<b>St Aidan</b> <b>W/e 24th &amp; 25th January</b> <b>£415.34 plus</b> <b>S/O £291.00 approx.</b> <b>Total £706.34</b>
<b>Ss Francis and Therese</b> <b>W/e 24th &amp; 25th January</b> <b>£405.12 plus</b> <b>S/O £181.25 approx.</b> <b>Total £586.37</b>	<b>St Thomas More</b> <b>W/e 24th &amp; 25th January</b> <b>£502.20 plus</b> <b>S/O £242.25 approx.</b> <b>Total £744.45</b>

#### MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Please pray for those who have died recently

**Moya Jones:** Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February at 10.00am (Cathedral)

**Michael Moore:** Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February at 11am (Ss Francis & Therese)

**John Lavelle:** Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February at 10am (Cathedral)

**Thomas O'Driscoll:** Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February at 11.00am (Cathedral)  
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

##### CATHEDRAL HUB GROUPS

**Scripture Reflection:** Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February at 7.00pm (St Felix Room)

**Choir Practice:** Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February at 6.30pm (St Felix Room)

**Legion of Mary:** Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> February 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 10<sup>th</sup> February at 7.45pm

**Good Companions:** Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February 12noon to 3pm

**Food Store Distribution:** Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February from 11am to 12.30pm

##### NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK

Every year from February 7-14, National Marriage Week reminds us that marriage is more than a day or a ceremony. A marriage requires dedication and commitment that generates a lifetime of rewards. Our marriage and family life team can be contacted

on [mfl@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:mfl@northamptondiocese.org)

##### EXPLORING SAFEGUARDING

Join our Called & Equipped group as we take a look at safeguarding and what it means for ourselves and our parishes. This is an opportunity for those in parish ministries to get a better understanding of safeguarding from our diocesan safeguarding team, Danielle Dixon and Laura Lester. The venue is Holy Ghost Church, Luton on Saturday 8 March from 10am-1pm. Previous groups have found the presentation very inspiring and the best safeguarding training they have ever received. Sign up at

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/northamptondiocese/1544289>

##### LUX 2025 - LUX.Hope 5th-7th February, Sion Catholic Community, Brentwood. Ages 11-18.

Lux is a residential weekend for young people. The theme for LUX this year is Hope, in-line with the theme for the Jubilee year. They will explore what Hope means for them today, using the life and travel of St. Paul to guide us. Bookings are on the NYMO website: <https://nymo.org/lux-hope-2025/>. Included in the cost is accommodation, food, and social activities. Transport to and from Brentwood is provided. For more information contact the NYMO team at: [NYMO.admin@northamptondiocese.com](mailto:NYMO.admin@northamptondiocese.com)

##### DIOCESE JUNIOR CHOIR

Do you have a child between 7 to 11 years who is interested in joining the Diocese Junior Choir. 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.**

**The sessions have now started**

##### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**First Holy Communion Session** – Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February from 6.30pm to 7.30pm in the St Thomas Centre

**Youth Group** – Next Meeting Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 7.00 to 8.30pm in the St Thomas Centre

**Celebrating the Love of Couples** – Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> February in the St Thomas Centre with Mass at 6pm in the Cathedral

**Sing the Mass** – Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February from 12.30 to 3pm in the Cathedral (see posters)

**Ash Wednesday** – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March

**Rite of Election** - Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 3pm in the Cathedral

**Bishop David Anniversary of Ordination** – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March at 12noon

**Schools Lenten Reflection** – Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March at 5pm in the Cathedral