

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.

7th September 2025 TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (C)

Feast days: Monday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saturday: St John Chrysostom, Sunday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Day	Date	Time	Cathedral Church of Our Lady Immaculate & St Thomas of Canterbury
Saturday	6th September	9.30am	Joseph Collins RIP FIRST SATURDAY ADORATION AND CONFESSION
		12noon	Diocesan Mass for Marriage & Family Life
		6.00pm	Andrew Barrett RIP
Sunday	7th September	8.30am	Barrett Family RIP
		11.00am	FOR THE PARISH
		5.15pm	Gerry Roan RIP
Monday	8th September	6.15pm	ROSARY LED BY THE LEGION OF MARY
		7.00pm	John & Ann Ansell RIP
Tuesday	9th September	9.30am	Barbara Clarke RIP
Wednesday	10th September	9.30am	Peggy & Mike McKay Int Tea & Coffee after in the St Thomas Centre
Thursday	11th September	6.00pm	ADORATION
		7.00pm	Tony Mulcock RIP
		8.00pm	RECEPTION INTO CHURCH OF SHEILA LOFTUS RIP
Friday	12th September	12noon	Brian David Parker RIP PILGRIMAGE MASS FOLLOWED BY ADORATION AND CONFESSION
		2.00pm	FUNERAL MASS OF SHEILA LOFTUS RIP
Saturday	13th September	9.30am	Angela Tidbury RIP ADORATION AND CONFESSION
		12noon	Baptism of Harley, Avery, Somtochukwu and Sean
		6.00pm	All Souls in Purgatory
Sunday	14th September	8.30am	Luke Fagan RIP
		11.00am	Ivy Bowen RIP
		5.15pm	FOR THE PARISH

Day	Date	Time	St Aidan's, Kingsthorpe	www.staidansnorthampton.org.uk
Sunday	7th September	9.45am	Margaret Reed RIP	Tea/Coffee After Mass
Monday	8th September	9.30am	Margaret Quinn Int	ADORATION AND CONFESSION BEFORE MASS
Thursday	11th September	9.30am	Martin Cassidy RIP	ADORATION AND CONFESSION BEFORE MASS
Sunday	14th September	9.45am	FOR THE PARISH	Tea/Coffee After Mass

Day	Date	Time	Ss Francis & Therese, Hunsbury	www.ss-francis-and-therese.org.uk
Sunday	7th September	9.30am	Fr Mark Floody Int	Tea/Coffee After Mass
Tuesday	9th September	9.30am	Chris O'Leary RIP	ADORATION AND CONFESSION BEFORE MASS
Thursday	11th September	9.30am	Beatrice & Tomas Mulhall RIP	ADORATION AND CONFESSION BEFORE MASS
Sunday	14th September	9.30am	Maureen Clarke RIP	Tea/Coffee After Mass

Day	Date	Time	St Thomas More, Towcester	www.stthomasmore.org
Saturday	6th September	5.30pm	Don McCaffrey Int	Adoration & Confession from 4.45 to 5.15pm
Sunday	7th September	11.00am	Penny Roper Int	Light refreshments after Mass
Monday	8th September	9.30am	Noreen Kilgannon Int	Adoration & Confession from 9.00am
Wednesday	10th September	9.30am	Sick & Housebound	Adoration & Confession from 9.00am
Friday	12th September	9.30am	Don Pasquale Espitia A Ponte RIP	
Saturday	13th September	5.30pm	In thanksgiving	Adoration & Confession from 4.45 to 5.15pm
Sunday	14th September	11.00am	FOR THE PARISH	Light refreshments after Mass

Responsorial Psalm

O Lord, you have been our refuge, from generation to generation.

Alleluia, Alleluia

Let your face shine forth on your servant, and teach me your decrees.

Alleluia

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

We are reminded of the awe-inspiring wonder of God, proclaiming the Lord's indomitable power and might... 'but who has traced out what is in the heavens? Who has earned your counsel, unless you have given wisdom....' And again, we acknowledge God's omniscience, and our need of him, 'that we may gain wisdom of heart.' Our aim is to pray for wisdom, and to understand better the Fathers plan for us.

NATIONAL WALKING PILGRIMAGE OF HOPE – Sunday 7th September

Walking from St Bede's in Newport Pagnell to The Northampton Cathedral. Arriving at approx 5pm so please come and welcome them. Tuesday 9th September leaving the Cathedral to walk to Market Harborough.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY IS FOR EDUCATION SUNDAY

Sunday 14th September – Road Closures around the Cathedral due to the Northampton Road Race, so allow extra time for your journey.

BISHOP DAVID'S NORTHAMPTON PARISH VISITATIONS

Sunday 28th September – Visit to St Aidan's Church 9.45am Mass

Saturday 13th September - Visitation to the Cathedral on Saturday evening at 6pm

Sunday 14th September – Visitation to the Cathedral, 8.30am, 11.00am & 5.15pm

Sunday 28th September – Visitation to St Aidan's Church, 9.45am Mass

Sunday 5th October – Visitation to Ss Francis & Therese 9.30am

Saturday 25th October – Visit to St Thomas More Church 5.30pm

Sunday 26th October – Visit to St Thomas More Church at 11am

Tuesday 16th December – Meeting to conclude the Parish Visitations at 7pm in the St Thomas Centre

Ss FRANCIS & THERESE

Rosary Morning **Tuesday 9th September** after the 9.30 Mass. 20 decades coffee/tea then 20 decades finishing at 11.45am

Feast of St. Francis, Saturday 4th October

12hour Adoration starting at 9.30am and finishing at 9.30pm
Times of music, rosary, Divine Mercy chaplet.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CATHEDRAL HUB 2025/26

There will be a new program starting in October in the Cathedral hub for school children in Yr3. This year a Parent / Guardian will have to accompany their child through this program.

If you wish your child to attend there will be a meeting after Mass for further information and to register your child at any of the churches. See dates below.

Ss Francis & Therese Sunday 28 September after 9.30am Mass

St Aidan's Sunday 28 September after the 9.45am Mass

Northampton Cathedral Sunday 5th October after the 5.15pm Mass

OPEN EVENING AT ST THOMAS BECKET SCHOOL FOR 2026 ENTRY

Thursday 18th September Headteacher Talks at 5.30pm & 6.30pm
Becket Way, Northampton NN3 6HT

DIOCESAN CHILDREN CHOIR - Starting on 10th September

Children are invited to join the choir which meets on Wednesdays from 4.15pm to 5.15pm in the St Thomas Centre.

Email choirs@northamptondiocese.org

RIDE AND STRIDE - Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust

Walk or cycle from one church to another around Northampton getting your form stamped and ask your family and friends to sponsor you.

CATHEDRAL HUB PARISH WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Thank you for your generosity

Cathedral W/e 30th & 31st August £1479.59 plus S/O £715.41 approx Total £2195.00	St Aidan W/e 30th & 31st August £413.71 plus S/O £230.13 approx Total £643.84
Ss Francis and Therese W/e 30th & 31st August £624.80 plus S/O £181.25 approx Total £806.05	St Thomas More W/e 30th & 31st August £493.22 plus S/O £212.62 approx Total £705.84

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Please pray for those who have died recently.

Sheila Loftus: Friday 12th September at 2pm (Cathedral)

Bridget O'Connor; Monday 15th September at 11am (St Aidan's)

Paul Barber: Wednesday 17th September at 11.15am
(Counties Crematorium)

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 9th September (St Felix Room)

Choir Practice: Thursday 11th September at 6.30pm (St Felix Room)

Knights of St Columba: Friday 12th September at 7pm (St Felix Room)

Legion of Mary: Saturday 13th September at 4pm (St Felix Room)

Bereavement Group: Saturday 4th October 2.30 to 4.30pm in the Cathedral.

Scripture Study Group: Every Wednesday evening 7.00 pm-8.30pm at Ss Francis and Therese

ALL THE EVENTS BELOW ARE IN THE ST THOMAS CENTRE

Good Companions: Wednesday 10th September 12noon to 3pm

Food Store Distribution: Thursday 11th September from 10am to 11.30am

RE: NEW Northampton is on Saturday 13th September from 10.30am in the St Thomas Centre, Northampton.

As usual it will be an uplifting morning with worship, friendship and the usual pastries and coffee. Please feel free to invite your friends and family members especially those who may be interested in exploring faith or re-exploring faith. We also plan to have a separate session for children so feel free to come with and to invite families. Our speaker will be Yoofi Clarke. Yoofi is part of the Mission Northampton outreach and also holds a key role of responsibility as Co-ordinator of the Diocesan Charismatic Renewal (CDSC, CHARIS) offering among other events the Life in the Spirit Seminars that has been used by the Lord to impact many people's lives. Yoofi is a gifted, warm, engaging and inspiring speaker who will be sharing his own journey of faith with us.

FUNDRAISER FOR THE CATHEDRAL GOOD COMPANIONS GROUP

Saturday 13th September at 7.30pm in the St Thomas Centre

Fundraising Evening with **The Burton Latimer Ukelele & Drum Band (BLUD)** to support the Good Companions. This is a fun night with approximately twenty-five musicians playing and singing with audience participation. Tickets cost £12.50 and include a cheese supper.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE led by Bishop David

<https://northamptondiocese.org/home-page/burgundy/>

The Diocese of Northampton is delighted to announce a special pilgrimage to France, led by Bishop David Oakley, taking place from **Sunday 19th to Friday 24th October 2025**. The pilgrimage marks the **350th anniversary of the apparitions of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to St Margaret Mary Alacoque in Paray-le-Monial between 1673 and 1675.**

CANONISATION OF CARLO ACUTIS & PIER GIORGIO FRASSATI

On Sunday 7th September, this will be a truly historic moment in the life of the Church. In Rome, Blessed Carlo Acutis will become the first Millennial to be canonised, a powerful witness to the holiness possible in our own time. He will be canonised alongside Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, a shining example of youthful faith and charity in the early 20th century. Together, these saints remind us of the vitality and missionary zeal of young people, and their canonisation will be a great encouragement to the Church across generations.

Read more: <https://northamptondiocese.org/home-page/carlo/>

PARENTS EVENING FOR BAPTISM FAMILIES

Monday 8th September at 7pm in the St Thomas Centre

Parents wishing to have their child baptised need to come along to this meeting. This is a time to learn about your responsibilities as parents and those of the Godparents. At the end of the session, you will be able to book your child's baptism.

40 HOUR ADORATION 26th & 27th September

Please sign up for sessions that you or a group that you are a member of can cover. Sign up sheets are where you collect your newsletter.

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