

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.

28th September 2025 TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Feast days: Monday: Ss Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Tuesday: St Jerome, Wednesday: St Therese of the Child Jesus.
Thursday: The Holy Guardian Angels, Saturday: St Francis of Assisi

Day	Date	Time	Cathedral Church of Our Lady Immaculate & St Thomas of Canterbury
Saturday	27th September	9.30am	Thanksgiving O'Malley Family 40 HOURS OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION
		3.00pm	MASS CELEBRATED BY CARMELITES
		6.00pm	Thomas O'Driscoll RIP
		11.00PM	CONCLUSION OF THE 40 HOURS OF ADORATION
Sunday	28th September	8.30am	Agatha Registe RIP
		11.00am	Kevin Grey RIP BAPTISM OF OISIN
		5.15pm	FOR THE PARISH
Monday	29th September	12noon	175th ANNIVERSARY MASS OF THE DIOCESE
		6.15pm	ROSARY LED BY THE LEGION OF MARY
		7.00pm	Candida Fernandes RIP
Tuesday	30th September	9.30am	Pat Harrold RIP
Wednesday	1st October	9.30am	Nazarena Paoella RIP Tea & Coffee after in the St Thomas Centre
Thursday	2nd October	6.00pm	ADORATION
		7.00pm	Alexander, Thomas Kariyil & Family RIP
Friday	3rd October	12noon	Christopher Stephenson RIP PILGRIMAGE MASS FOLLOWED BY ADORATION AND CONFESSION
Saturday	4th October	9.30am	All Souls in Purgatory FIRST SATURDAY ADORATION AND CONFESSION
		6.00pm	Tina Doran RIP
Sunday	5th October	8.30am	John & Ellen Fitzpatrick RIP
		11.00am	FOR THE PARISH
		5.15pm	Michael Johnson RIP

Day	Date	Time	St Aidan's, Kingsthorpe	www.staidansnorthampton.org.uk
Sunday	28th September	9.45am	FOR THE PARISH	Tea/Coffee After Mass
Monday	29th September	9.30am	Margaret Quinn Int	ADORATION AND CONFESSION BEFORE MASS
Thursday	2nd October	9.30am	Richard Hardwick RIP	ADORATION AND CONFESSION BEFORE MASS
Sunday	5th October	9.45am	Richard Hardwick RIP	Tea/Coffee After Mass

Day	Date	Time	Ss Francis & Therese, Hunsbury	www.ss-francis-and-therese.org.uk
Saturday	27th September	12noon	Baptism of Alesia	
Sunday	28th September	9.30am	Michael Earley RIP	Tea/Coffee After Mass
Tuesday	30th September	9.30am	Alice Sullivan RIP	ADORATION AND CONFESSION BEFORE MASS
Thursday	2nd October	9.30am	Ted and Nancy Kerns RIP	ADORATION AND CONFESSION BEFORE MASS
Sunday	5th October	9.30am	Rosaleen Carey RIP	Tea/Coffee After Mass

Day	Date	Time	St Thomas More, Towcester	www.stthomasmorererc.org
Saturday	27th September	2.00pm	Baptism of Florence & Mabel	
		5.30pm	Thanksgiving	Adoration & Confession from 4.45 to 5.15pm
Sunday	28th September	11.00am	FOR THE PARISH	Light refreshments after Mass
Monday	29th September	9.30am	Fr James Evans Int	Adoration & Confession from 9.00am
Wednesday	1st October	9.30am	NO MASS TODAY	
Friday	2nd October	9.30pm	NO MASS TODAY	
Saturday	3rd October	5.30pm	The work of CAFOD	Adoration & Confession from 4.45 to 5.15pm
Sunday	5th October	11.00am	Fr Alessandro and Fr James Intentions	Light refreshments after Mass

Responsorial Psalm
Alleluia, Alleluia

My soul, give praise to the Lord.
Jesus Christ, though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich. Alleluia

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Luke is paired with the Prophet Amos, who decries decadence: those who 'stretch themselves out on couches' and 'lie on beds of ivory' while others suffer. Luke's Gospel is similarly peppered with memorable visuals; Luke sharpens Amos's insights with the graphic illustration of the rich man and Lazarus impelling us, surely, to ask where we see ourselves in this story.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND IS FOR CAFOD FAST DAY

Please take an envelope and try to gift aid your offering.

Thank you. CAFOD Family Fast Day Appeal – Friday 3rd October

This Family Fast Day, CAFOD invites us to stand in solidarity with families affected by climate change and conflict. In Ethiopia, with CAFOD's support, communities now have safe water close to home. Across the world, including in Gaza, Ukraine, and Sudan, CAFOD's partners bring food, water, shelter, and medical care to those most in need.

Please support this life-saving work through your prayers and generosity.

Donate at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call 0303 303 3030.

OCTOBER THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY

During the month of October, traditionally dedicated to the Holy Rosary, Pope Leo XIV has called on Catholics around the world to pray the Rosary daily, uniting in prayer for peace in war-torn regions. Announced during the Wednesday General Audience, the Pope's appeal invites clergy to share this message with their communities and encourage the faithful to join in this powerful prayer of intercession.

PARISH PASTORAL STATISTICS (Mass Count)

REMEMBER THE PARISH COUNT STARTS THIS WEEKEND

	Week 3	4th/5th October	
Week 2	27th/28th September	Week 4	11th/12th October

Youth Mass – 5th October 2025 at 3.00pm

Calling All Young People! NYMO invite all young people and young adults to be part of a Youth Mass filled with joy, faith, and community. This is a chance to celebrate together, connect with others, and be inspired as they worship.

All are welcome—bring a friend and join us for an unforgettable afternoon of prayer and fellowship. Open to everyone aged 11–25 years.

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 at

Ss Francis & Therese Sunday 28th September after 9.30am Mass

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

Northampton Cathedral Sunday 5th October after the 5.15pm Mass

GOODBYE TO FR JAMES

This weekend we will say a huge thank you to Fr James for his work in this parish in Towcester and also for his support to the Cathedral Hub.

We wish you well in High Wycombe.

CATHEDRAL HUB PARISH WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Thank you for your generosity.

Cathedral	St Aidan
W/e 20th & 21st September £1698.01 plus S/O £715.41 approx Total £2413.42 Second Collection £207.46	W/e 20th & 21st September £291.86 plus S/O £230.13 approx Total £521.99 Second Collection £125.20
Ss Francis and Therese W/e 20th & 21st September £464.08 plus S/O £181.25 approx Total £645.33 Second Collection £95.35	St Thomas More W/e 20th & 21st September £598.70 plus S/O £212.62 approx Total £811.32 Second Collection £186.24

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Please pray for those who have died recently.

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 30th September (St Felix Room)

Choir Practice: Thursday 2nd October at 6.30pm (St Felix Room)

Knights of St Columba: Friday 3rd October at 7pm (St Felix Room)

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

Bereavement Group: Saturday 4th October 2.30 to 4.30pm (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 1st October 12noon to 3pm

Food Store Distribution: Thursday 2nd October 10am to 11.30am

On Monday we celebrate the feast day of St Michael

the patron saint of the police.

Catholic Police Guild Prayer

Most Merciful God, giver of all authority, by the merits of Thy Divine Son and through the intercession of His Holy Mother and our glorious patron St. Michael, grant that we may this day and every day, overcome all temptations, especially to injustice and disloyalty, and with our minds inflamed by Thy Holy Spirit perform all our duties in such a manner as may be pleasing to Thy Divine Will, so that when called to report for the last time we may not be found wanting, and may be allowed to remain forever in Thy Presence. Through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

ARE YOU AN ADULT WHO WANTS TO KNOW MORE ABOUT OUR FAITH?

There will be an RCIA group starting soon which will enable adults wanting to know more about the faith to attend some sessions. The programme will include Baptism, Communion and Confirmation with options for full reception into the church taking place at the Easter Vigil on 4th April 2026

Contact the parish office on 01604 714556 or email parish.cathedralhub@northamptondiocese.org

CATHOLIC HERALD (September Edition) available at £5.00.

You can reserve a copy or purchase one from the reception at the St Thomas Centre.

EXHIBITION OF 50 FACES OF THE HOLY LAND 13th to 25th October

The Cathedral will host an exhibition of the 50 faces of the Holy Land which will be open daily for visitors to view. There will be an Ecumenical Service in the Cathedral on Thursday 16th October at 3pm

CAFE1850 Join our team!

We're on the lookout for a Café Assistant, working 10-11 hours per week across two shifts. Weekday availability is essential for this role.

Apply by 29 Sept, further details at

<https://northamptondiocese.org/job/permanent-cafe-assistant>

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN HOSPITAL AT THIS TIME AND FOR THE WORK DONE BY THE CHAPLAINCY TEAM

CATECHIST FORMATION – Bishop's Certificate in Catechesis (Level 1)

Do you feel called to share the gift of faith? The Bishop's Certificate in Catechesis (Level 1) offers formation for new and experienced catechists through a blend of online and in-person sessions.

Dates: 14th, 21st October; 4th, 11th, 18th November (Zoom evenings) In-person session: Saturday 22nd November, St Francis & St Therese RC Church, Northampton Cost: No fixed fee (donations welcome)

ETHICS UNPLUGGED – A Catholic Response to Key Issues

A four-part online Zoom series exploring contemporary ethical challenges through a Catholic lens:

2nd Oct – Human Trafficking & Modern Slavery (Miriam Cakebread)

16th Oct – Gender Identification (Bishop David Oakley)

30th Oct – Artificial Intelligence (Aidan Cottrell-Boyce)

13th Nov – Ageing, Life & Death (Dr David Jones)

Thursdays, 7.30–9.00pm

Hosted by Caritas, Mission Northampton & Northampton Cathedral.

Free to attend; donations welcome. Zoom link sent before the first session. [Ethics Unplugged: A Catholic Response to Key Issues – Zoom Meetings](#) 2nd Oct, 16th Oct, 30th Oct, 13th Nov 2025 | Northampton

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