

Northampton Cathedral Hub serving the following Churches in our Diocese

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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.

13th SEPTEMBER 2026 TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Feast Days: Monday: Exaltation of the Holy Cross, Tuesday: Our Lady of Sorrows, Wednesday: Ss Cornelius

Day	Date	Time	Cathedral Church of Our Lady Immaculate & St Thomas of Canterbury
Saturday	12th September	9.30am	Bridget Moore RIP
		6.00pm	Sweeney Family Int
Sunday	13th September	8.30am	FOR THE PARISH
		11.00am	Ivy Bowen RIP
		5.15pm	Anne Clack Int
Monday	14th September	10.30am	FUNERAL SERVICE OF EVELYN BENNETT RIP
		6.15pm	ROSARY LED BY THE LEGION OF MARY
		7.00pm	John & Margaret McGovern RIP
Tuesday	15th September	9.30am	Bridie & Joe Brosnan RIP
Wednesday	16th September	12noon	FUNERAL MASS FOR PETER WINFIELD RIP
		11.00am	FUNERAL MASS FOR MATTHEW 'CON' NOONS RIP
Thursday	17th September	6.00pm	ADORATION
		7.00pm	Peggy & Eileen Brosnan RIP
Friday	18th September	12.00am	FUNERAL MASS FOR UNA O'MALLEY RIP
		7.00pm	ROSARY LED BY THE KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA
Saturday	19th September	9.30am	Gerry & Kathleen Boyd RIP
		12noon	WEDDING OF IMOGEN & KIRAN
		6.00pm	Baby Roan RIP
Sunday	20th September	8.30am	Agnes Carolin RIP
		11.00am	James Carroll RIP
		5.15pm	FOR THE PARISH

Day	Date	Time	St Aidan's, Kingsthorpe	www.staidansnorthampton.org
Sunday	13th September	9.45am	David Angus RIP	Tea & Coffee after Mass
Monday	14th September	9.30am	V M Mathew RIP	ADORATION AND CONFESSION BEFORE MASS
Thursday	17th September	9.30am	Mary Brennan RIP	ADORATION AND CONFESSION BEFORE MASS
Saturday	19th September	12noon	Baptism of Arlo and Jordon	
Sunday	20th September	9.45am	Grace Porter RIP	Tea/Coffee After Mass

Day	Date	Time	Ss Francis & Therese, Hunsbury	www.ss-francis-and-therese.org.uk
Sunday	13th September	9.30am	FOR THE PARISH	Tea & Coffee after Mass
Tuesday	15th September	9.30am	Beatrice & Tomas Mulhall RIP	ADORATION AND CONFESSION BEFORE MASS
Thursday	17th September	9.30am	Mike Murphy RIP	ADORATION AND CONFESSION BEFORE MASS
Sunday	20th September	9.30am	Michael Earley RIP	Tea & Coffee after Mass

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is compassionate and gracious, show to anger and rich in mercy.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia. A new commandment I give to you, says the Lord,
that you love one another, just as I have loved you. Alleluia.

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Everyone has experienced anger, whether our own or that of others. In calmer moments, we may recognise the truth of today's first reading: 'Anger and wrath, these are abominations' The following words are challenging: the sinful man will hold them fast'. Reflecting on today's psalm may help us let go of anger rather than holding on to it: the Lord will not always find fault; nor persist in his anger for ever.

**SECOND COLLECTION TODAY is for CATHOLIC EDUCATION SUNDAY
SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY FOR HOME MISSION SUNDAY**

NEXT SUNDAY IS EVANGELII GAUDIUM SUNDAY

Known as **Home Mission Sunday**. The day we ask our parishes to pray for the work of evangelisation and to support this vital work.

A CALL TO PRAYER FOR THE CATHEDRAL PARISH

The Cathedral parish has been reflecting on its purpose over the last couple of years and, in light of that, it seems like the right time to take a new step of faith. The parish is 1000+ strong and continues to thrive, welcoming a good number of adults into the Church in recent years, providing Sacramental programmes for all our children and young people, and offering a wide range of other activities. All this reflects our recognition that every parish exists to grow as the 'family' of God and to draw others into that family. With all this in mind, I ask that we enter a time of collective prayer, asking the Lord to strengthen our connectedness as a parish and enable us to continue to grow as a family of disciples, encountering Christ and sharing his love with all those we meet. The step of faith that I ask you to take is to pray our new parish prayer daily: this is available as a prayer card for everyone and on banners positioned around the Cathedral. This will unite us in prayer and purpose, enabling us to build community and strengthen our call to discipleship. I give thanks for your commitment to your own life of faith and the blessings that each of you are to this parish, and the promise that this holds for us together. May God bless us as we journey Forward.

PARISH PASTORAL STATISTICS (Mass Count at all Masses)

Week 1	19th & 20th September	Week 3	3rd & 4th October
Week 2	26th & 27th September	Week 4	10th & 11th October

RCIA PROGRAMME FOR 2026-27

Are you wanting to know more about the Catholic faith? Are you wanting to be a member of Catholic Church?

Our RCIA programme will be starting on Wednesday 16th September from 7pm to 8.30pm in Cathedral House, so please email parish.cathedralhub@northamptondiocese.org with your details.

St THOMAS BECKET YEAR 6 OPEN EVENING Thursday 24th September

Join us at St Thomas Becket Catholic School for our **YEAR 6 OPEN EVENING**. There are two Headteacher talks followed by an opportunity to look around our school and see what our departments have to offer. First talk is at 4.30pm and second talk is at 5.30pm. Come and see the fantastic opportunities we have to offer and to meet our Headteacher, staff and students. Book here:

<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/events/landing/117168>

BAPTISM EVENING FOR PARENTS

Wednesday 23rd September at 7pm in the St Thomas Centre.

Parents wishing to have their child baptised need to attend this meeting. At the end of the session, you can book your baptism date.

200 CLUB WINNERS FOR SEPTEMBER 2026

1st Prize No 24 2nd Prize No 51 3rd Prize 142

Congratulations to our winners for this month.

Thank you to those who support this fundraising.

CATHEDRAL HUB PARISH WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Cathedral	St Aidan
W/e 5th & 6th September £1772.40 plus S/O £771.46 Approx Total £2543.86	W/e 5th & 6th September £328.41 plus S/O £269.53 Approx Total £597.94
Ss Francis and Therese W/e 5th & 6th September £575.90 plus S/O £598.38 Approx Total £1174.28	Thank you for your generosity. The figures for Standing orders have been updated from August 2026

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Please pray for those who have died recently and have funerals arranged;

Evelyn Bennett: Monday 14th September at 10.30am (Cathedral)

Anthony Roche: Tuesday 15th October at 4.30pm (Counties Crematorium)

Peter Winfield: Wednesday 16th September at 12noon (Cathedral)

Matthew 'Con' Noons: Thursday 17th September at 11am (Cathedral)

Una O'Malley: Friday 18th September at 12noon (Cathedral)

Gintare Sitaviciute: Monday 21st September at 10.00am (Cathedral)

Michael Dorrell: Wednesday 23rd September at 11.00am (Cathedral)

Edmund 'Ed' Corbett: Tuesday 29th September at 10.00am (Cathedral)

Elizabeth Murray: Wednesday 30th September at 12.30pm (Cathedral)

Geraldine Burbage: Friday 2nd October at 12noon (Cathedral)

Joanne McConville: Thursday 8th October at 10.30am (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: Tuesdays at 7pm (St Felix Room)

Choir Practice: Thursdays at 6.30pm (St Felix Room)

Legion of Mary: Wednesday at 6.30pm (St Felix Room)

Scripture Study Group: Thursday evening at Ss Francis and Therese 7pm

Young Adults: Next meeting (date to be confirmed)

Altar Servers Group: Saturday 17th October 4pm to 5.30pm in the Sacristy

Bereavement Group: Saturday 3rd October from 2.30 to 4.30pm (Cathedral)

Belong & Befed (Youth Ministry): Saturday 3rd October 7.15pm to 9.00pm in the Sacristy

Cathedral & Ss Francis & Therese SVP – Meeting on Wednesday 16th September at 7pm in the St Thomas Centre

ALL THE EVENTS BELOW ARE IN THE ST THOMAS CENTRE

Good Companions: Wednesday 16th September 12noon to 2.30pm

Food Store Distribution: Thursday 10am to 11.30am

SVP ANOINTING MASS Saturday 26th September at 11.30am

Mass with the blessing of the Sick will be followed by refreshments in the St Thomas Centre. Please register your attendance for catering purposes.

Ring the parish office on 01604 714556

BELOVED RETREAT FOR WOMEN

Taking place in Northampton Cathedral and at the St. Thomas Centre Friday 30th October - Sunday 1st November. Make time to come away and delve into the truth that 'I am my Beloved's and His desire is for me' (Song of Song 7:10). Members of the team will be present at the Masses this weekend with more information. They are also looking for some parishioners to volunteer to host team members for the weekend. For bookings and more information visit

www.sioncommunity.org.uk/#beloved

ADOREMUS EUCHARISTIC 2026 (40 hours of Adoration) in the Cathedral Friday 9th October from 6am and Saturday 10th October until 10pm

As the Church gathers for the Adoremus Congress, the Bishops of England and Wales warmly invite every parish to celebrate this special weekend through Eucharistic Adoration, catechetical initiatives, or Eucharistic Processions, fostering a renewed love for and deeper encounter with Christ truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. **The Northampton Cathedral Hub Parishes will be organising a programme to cover the 40 hours and invite those interested in leading a session to speak to one of our Priests or contact the parish office.**
SIGN UP SHEETS ARE AVAILABLE IN EACH PARISH

THE SEASON OF CREATION

(Tuesday 1st September to Tuesday 6th October). **The Cathedral will dedicate Midday Mass on Friday 25th September to the Season of Creation.**

FAMILY FUN DAY "THANK YOU"

The Cathedral was blessed with sunshine as we enjoyed the Family Fun Day. We particularly want to thank those of you who made generous donations for prizes as well as your time and efforts in setting up the activities. It is thanks to the Friends of Northampton Cathedral that we were able to provide food, drinks, ice creams and inflatable slide for free. Money was also raised on the day for the Cathedral & Ss Francis & Therese SVP charity and the day also raised £861.48 contributing to cover the costs for the event. **Well done**, to all the children who took part in the talent show let's get practicing for next year!

BLESSED CYPRIAN TANZI PRAYER GROUP

First Saturday of the month at St Gregory's Church, 10.20am to 12noon

CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT THE CATHEDRAL (during the 11am Mass)

This is for Reception to Yr 3 Children only