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MASSES AND INTENTIONS

7th to 14th February 2026

Sat 7th Feb

10am to 10:45am Confessions available
6pm Mass: *Evelyn Murphy, RIP*

Sun 8th Feb 5th Sunday in Ordinary time

8:30am Latin Mass: *The faithful of the parish*
10:30am Mass: *Sean Kerrigan, Anniv*
5pm Kerala Mass:

Tue 10th Feb Saint Scholastica

6.30pm Mass: *Maureen Reading, sick*
7pm to 7.30pm Eucharistic Adoration

Wed 11th Feb

10am Mass: *Peter Coulborn, RIP*
10:30am Rosary
6-7pm Parish Office

Thu 12th Feb

6:30pm Mass:

Fri 13th Feb

11am – 11:45am Exposition with Confessions
12 noon Mass:
12:30 Mother's Prayers

Sat 14th Feb Saints Cyril and Methodius

10am to 10:45am Confessions
6pm Mass:

SUNDAY'S RESPONSORIAL PSALM

A light rises in the darkness
for the upright.

STANDING ORDER OFFERTORY DONATION

If you would like to make your Offertory donation to the parish by Standing Order these are the details:

Parish Account name:

Christ the King Parish

Sort Code: **60 06 11**

Account Number: **46714332**

BEDFORD FOODBANK

Items needed by the Bedford Foodbank:
Tinned Custard, Coffee, Tinned Spaghetti Hoops, Tinned Fruit, Cup A Soup, Long life Fruit Juice, Sponge Puddings, Shampoo Cooking Sauces, Bars of Chocolate

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Last Week's Collections
Offertory - £487.51
Standing Orders - £81.75
Total £569.26

PARISH OFFICE HOUR

Every Wednesday from 6pm to 7pm.

This provides an appropriate time and place to discuss infant baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Marriage, financial matters, booking Mass Intentions, or any administrative matters

MEMORIAL SERVICE

A Margaret Denton, of our parish, died recently. There will be a short Memorial Service for her at Wixams Retirement Village on Sunday 15th February at 3.30pm.

If you would like to take part in this, you will be most welcome. Please arrive by 3.25pm.

RETROUVAILLE HELPS MARRIAGES

LAST CALL for online marriage programme.

Does your marriage need some TLC?
Need help with communication and trust?
Retrouvaille helps marriages.

It can bring hope and healing to relationships.

Next date: 12th February 2026.

www.retrouvaille.org.uk

Tel: 07887 296983

JOURNEY WITH JESUS THROUGH LENT

During Lent, the Pastoral Development Vicariate is offering you the opportunity for weekly online small-group sessions (various days & times are available) to help individuals deepen their relationship with Jesus through Scripture.

Using St Beuno's Outreach Prego resources, each 45-minute session invites you to pray and reflect on Scripture for the coming Sunday. The programme runs once a week for six weeks, starting the week of 16 February.

Sign up at

<https://northamptondiocese.org/lenten-journey/>

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

A reminder to Readers to observe the various pauses which are asked for in the proclamation of the Scriptures, and which we have spoken together about:

- At the end of the Reading before announcing, 'The Word of the Lord'.
- Before the Psalm.
- Between the Psalm and the Gospel Acclamation

The Liturgy of the Word is not a race, still less a box-ticking exercise. The pauses allow for God to act within us.

THE SICK IN THE PARISH

Please contact Fr Richard if you know of anyone who is sick in the parish.

DIOCESE RECRUITMENT

The Diocese is currently recruiting three Property Area Coordinators, each responsible for the maintenance, compliance, and performance of a defined portfolio of properties within an allocated geographic area of the Diocese. The role ensures that buildings are safe, legally compliant, well maintained, and fit for mission and ministry, while providing support to parishes, clergy, and diocesan stakeholders.

This is a full time, 12-month fixed term contract, with the possibility of extension or becoming permanent.

As each role covers a different part of the Diocese, three area specific Job Descriptions are available, and candidates should review the one relevant to their preferred location.

The closing date for applications is Friday 7 March 2026. Interview dates will be confirmed in due course; however, we reserve the right to close the advert early should we receive a sufficient number of applications.

Full information for the position and an application form can be found by visiting <https://northamptondiocese.org/jobs>

All candidates should complete a Diocesan application form and email it to:

hr.admin@northamptondiocese.org

VINTAGE AFTERNOON TEA

Our next parish Vintage Afternoon Tea is Friday 27th February from 2pm to 4pm. Cost is just £6 pp. All Welcome.

LENT 2026

CAFOD LENT APPEAL – FAMILY FAST DAY COLLECTION

This Lent, live out the Gospel call to love your neighbour. By fasting and giving what you save, you join in Christ's compassion and help another family put food on the table. Your donation can help families around the world grow food in difficult conditions – such as on flood-resistant floating gardens or using solar-powered water pumps in times of drought. Collect a CAFOD envelope to bless others with your support, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call 0303 303 3030. Text CAFODLENT to 70085 to donate £10.



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40 pence for 40 days



Will you take part in our 40 for 40 challenge this Lent?

By giving up 40 pence a day for the 40 days of Lent you can support local individuals and families facing hardship this Easter.

All you have to do is find an old jam jar or similar container and start collecting!

**Ending hunger
together**



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