



St Peter's Church, Biggleswade
Weekly Newsletter

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Sat 1st February / Sun 2nd February 2025
Presentation of the Lord

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Presentation of the Lord

Saturday 1st February
Confession 5.45pm to 6.15pm
Mass at 6.30pm
People of our parishes

Sunday 2nd February
Presentation of the Lord
Mass at 11am
Giuseppe Zonta RIP

Monday 3rd February
St Blaise – Bishop and Martyr
Mass at 9.30am

Tuesday 4th February
St Werburga
No Mass

Wednesday 5th February
St Agatha – Virgin and Martyr
Service of the Word at 9.30am
Funeral Mass of Mr Hugh Hone
at 12pm

Thursday 6th February
*St Paul Miki and Companions –
Martyrs of Japan*
No Mass

Friday 7th February
Feria
Mass at 9.30am
Adoration 7pm (*with confession*)

Saturday 8th February
Confession 5.45pm to 6.15pm
Mass at 6.30pm
Eliseo Benedetti 90th Birthday (on
Sunday)

Sunday 9th February
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mass at 11am
Cecilia Castelvetri

Pope's 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.

Requiescat in Pace

Mr Hugh Hone – whose Funeral Mass is at St Peter's at 12pm on Wednesday 5th February 2025

Mr Pasquale Maio – whose Funeral Mass is at St Francis at 11am on Friday 21st February 2025

Visit of the Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver

The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver will be here on the weekend of 15th and 16th February 2025 to appeal on behalf of the Sisters Missions Committee of England and Wales. They will tell us about their missionary work. Please help these Missionary Sisters generously.

The SVP are pleased to help

If you know of anyone who is in need of support, ask them to contact the SVP on 07526 753986 or email Catherine on PresidentE140104@svp.org.uk

Exploring Safeguarding

Join our 'Called and 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 8th March from 10am to 1pm. Sign up at

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Devotion on the First Friday of the Month

The 'First Friday' of the month is often marked by special devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus since Jesus died for us and won our salvation on a Friday. St Margaret Mary Alacoque (1647-1690) reported visions of Jesus Christ directing her to promote devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus on nine consecutive First Fridays in reparation for sins and to show love to Jesus. Our blessed Saviour reputedly promised St Margaret Mary the following blessings: "In the excess of the mercy of my Heart, I promise you that my all powerful love will grant to all those who will receive Communion on the First Fridays, for nine consecutive months, the grace of final repentance: they will not die in my displeasure, nor without receiving the sacraments; and my Heart will be their secure refuge in that last hour.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Burgundy

Bishop David and Canon John Udris will lead our pilgrimage to France in October 2025. Staying in Paray Le Monial, seeking spiritual renewal at the sacred Basilica of the Sacred Heart, where St Margaret Mary Alacoque once received her divine visions. We will also visit Nevers, where St Bernadette spent the last years of her life and her body rests today.

Day of Prayer For Victims of Human Trafficking

Saturday 8th February 2025, marks the eleventh International Day of Prayer and Reflection Against Human Trafficking. This significant day, inaugurated by Pope Francis in 2015, coincides with the Feast Day of St Josephine Bakhita. This year's theme for the Day of Prayer against Human Trafficking is 'Ambassadors of Hope: Together Against Human Trafficking'.

Jubilee Churches in Our Diocese

Bishop David has designated three churches as Jubilee Churches - they are:

- Northampton Cathedral
- Holy Child and St Joseph in Bedford
- St Peter, Marlow.

All are encouraged to make a pilgrimage as a parish, pastoral area or individual - to one of these churches.

Jubilee of Armed Forces, Police and Security Personnel

The Holy See has designated a number of Jubilee Days throughout 2025 to recognise and celebrate different groups of people and various ministries in the Church.

The Jubilee of Armed Forces, Police and Security Personnel takes place in Rome from 8th – 9th February.

World Prayer Day

World Prayer Day, Friday 7th March, 7.30pm, St Andrew's Church, Shortmead Street, Biggleswade SG18 0AT.

You are warmly invited to an ecumenical service – this year's theme is "I made you wonderful".

The service has been prepared from the Cook Islands and is based on the words of Psalm 139 woven together with people's stories.

The theme invites us to recognise that God created each one of us with great attention and loving care.

The service will be followed by refreshments and an opportunity for fellowship and conversation.

A warm welcome is extended to all.

Mass Rota			
Date	Ministers of the Word	Ministers of the Eucharist	Greeters
1 Feb	E da Costa / M Gleeson	L Bastien / TBC	P Day / F Day
2 Feb	T McCarthy /G McCarthy	M Evans / P Affoh	M Choonara / R Cowley
8 Feb	The Brunning Family	C Spencer / N Spencer	A Eglan / L Stirratt
9 Feb	P Smith / P Affoh	C Tracey / B Gurney	K Mansford / A Hankin

The Rosary

The Rosary will be said at each weekday Mass starting just after 9am

Collection w/e 26th Jan: £411.25

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