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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

19th April 2026

Date	Time	Intentions	
Sat 18 th April	09.30 am SFA 06.30 pm SP	Deceased members of the Wilson family Tony & Pauline Gray, RIP	
Sun 19 th April	09.00 am SFA 11.00 am SP 05.15 pm SFA	John Spraul Mary & Graham (60 th Wedding Anniversary) Deceased Members of the E. Corcoran family	3rd Sunday of Easter
Mon 20 th April	9.30 am SP 9.30 am SFA	J. Corcorane, RIP (FM) Word & Communion	
Tues 21 st April	9.30 am SFA	Alex C. Intentions	
Wed 22 nd April	9.30 am SP 7.30 pm SFA	J. Corcorane, RIP (FM) Word & Communion	
Thu 23 rd April	9.30 am SFA	Sarah Smith & Family intentions	
Fri 24 th April	09.30 am SP 09.30 am SFA	Hewitt, RIP (FM) Word & Communion	
Sat 25 th April	09.30 am SFA 06.30 pm SP	Mary Makin, RIP Vincent D'Souza, RIP	
Sun 26 th April	09.00 am SFA 11.00 am SP 05.15 pm SFA	Christopher & Edna Corcoran, RIP Ron & Shirley Osentoski, RIP For the people of the parishes	4th Sunday of Easter
Confessions	Saturdays: 10.00-10.30am (SFA), 5.45 – 6.15 pm (SP)		
Adoration	Wednesdays: 7-7.30 pm (SFA) Fridays: 10-10.30am (SFA), 10-10.30am (SP), 7-8pm (SP)		
Rosary	30 minutes before weekday Masses		

*SFA (St. Francis of Assisi Church, Shefford), *SP (St. Peter's Church, Biggleswade)

SVP St Francis & St Peter's: Contact SVP on 07526 753986 or email PresidentE140104@svp.org.uk

Anniversaries in April

Mary Ellen Nugent (2000), John Sullivan (2000), Maddalena Ortone (2000), Michael McCarthy (2001), Ann Cassidy (2002), Michael Degning (2002), Michael Reilly (2002), Hyacinth Hughes (2003), Grace Emma Burn (2003) Baby Enya Grace Quirke (2003), Thelma Betty Dutchman (2004), Mary Golden (2005), Patrick McCartney (2005), Evan O'Sullivan (2005), John Edward Horner (2007), Elizabeth Green (2008), Winifred Richardson (2011), Mary Helen Mariorty (2012), Edmund Terence Reid (2012), Karl Zouhar (2013), Eileen Mannelly (2013), Thomas Irvine (2015), Alexander McNicholas (2016), Kitty Balfe (2020), Shirley Ann Gleeson (2021), Mary Baffoni (2021), Sally Ann Hearn (2024), Lucio Marabese (2025), Catherine Buckley (2025), Christopher Corcoran (2025), Rosario Di Marco (2025), Dr. Charles Enzo Oduu Andi (2025)

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord... May they rest in peace. Amen.

PARISH NOTICES

Easter House Blessings

There is a beautiful tradition of blessing the houses during the season of Easter. Those who would like their houses to be blessed, kindly write your name, address, the date and the time on the paper that is placed at the back of the Church.

CAFOD - The Big Lent Walk

Many thanks for the fantastic support this year.
Total raised was £520.

Life in the Spirit Seminar

The Life in the Spirit seminars are returning in April, with sessions being held online to allow as many people as possible from the diocese to attend. The online sessions will be on 28th April, 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th of May, and 2nd June. There will be an in-person Baptism in The Holy Spirit retreat day, which will be held at Our Lady, Help of Christians, in Chapel Langley, Luton on 23rd May.

The God Who Speaks – Our Liturgy of the Word

Join us for a series of online Zoom sessions exploring the upcoming Lectionary readings and the seasons of the Liturgical Year.

Future 2026 Dates:

- 8 July – Summer Ordinary Time
- 9 September – Autumn Ordinary Time
- 11 November – Advent & Christmas (Year B)

All sessions run **7:30–8:30pm** and include prayer, input, and time for comments and questions.

Cost: Free, with an option to make a donation.

Please register in advance to secure a place by emailing deaconpeter.collins@northamptondiocese.org

CAFOD: Stand with Sudan. Give monthly.

On the third anniversary of the war in Sudan, Kayode Akintola, CAFOD's Head of Region for Africa, asks for your help: *"So many of our sisters and brothers in Sudan are facing increasing violence, hunger, and disease. That is why today, I'm asking you to consider setting up a monthly gift to support families who are fleeing the violence – with food, safe water and other vital support. Monthly gifts are an act of steady love for our neighbours, a way of saying: we will not abandon you, we will stand with you until peace is restored."*

Donate at cafod.org.uk/StandWithSudan

Called & Equipped 2026-27

Want to go deeper in your faith? Is now the time to take the next step? Our year-long Called & Equipped discipleship course begins again this September, offering a foundation in Catholic teaching and a journey of faith formation, with a like-minded community. This course is for anyone active in parish life or coming into ministry. Find out more

here: <https://northamptondiocese.org/called-equipped/> or sign up to one of our introductory webinars

on <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/northamptondiocese>

Help Needed

Café Mocha is a small, but very friendly, café in Biggleswade. However, the current workforce is ageing and so to be able to continue, they are looking for volunteers for all aspects of running a café. Full training would be given. For more information, email Helen on Helen.horner@outlook.com

Social Club Subscriptions (St. Peter's)

It's that time of year again, when we are collecting subscriptions for the Social Club to enable us to renew our Bar Licence. There will be a member of the Social Club at the back of the Church after Masses, this weekend and if necessary, next weekend. The cost is £2 per person for the year and if you have any questions or would like to join please talk to us after Masses.

Dates for your Diaries

The Social Club AGM will be held on the 21st May and we invite you to join us.

QUIZ NIGHT (St. Peter's)

It will be held on Friday 19th June, tickets cost £10 to include a Fish, Chicken or Vegetarian Supper. Tickets will be on sale mid May. So please watch this space. Thank you as always for your continued support. Your Social Club Committee

	St. Francis	St. Peter's
Last week's Collections	£330.20	£289.75
Standing Orders	£130	£420

Second Collection

Next Week: Diocesan Priests Training Fund

