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TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

20th September 2026

Date	Time	Intentions	
Sat 19 th Sept	9.30 am SFA 1.00 pm SFA 6.30 pm SP	Deceased Members of Hamblin family (FM) Wedding of Rachel Fernandes and David Ball Joe and Babs Kennelly RIP	
Sun 20 th Sept	9.00 am SFA 11.00 am SP 5.15 pm SFA	Mary McDaid, RIP Paul Day Birthday Mary Makin, RIP	Twenty Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time
Mon 21 st Sept	9.30 am SP 9.30 am SFA	Mass for the reparation of Sins Word & Communion	St Matthew, Apostle
Tues 22 nd Sept	9.30 am SFA	Sarah Smith intentions (for good health)	
Wed 23 rd Sept	9.30 am SP 12 noon SP 7.30 pm SFA	Arun & Rose's family intentions Requiem Mass for Anne King Word & Communion	St Pius of Pietrelcina
Thu 24 th Sept	9.30 am SFA	Deceased members of the Adrain Family	Our Lady of Walsingham
Fri 25 th Sept	9.30 am SP 9.30 am SFA	NO MASS Arun & Rose's family unity and good health	1 st day of Novena Mass of St Francis of Assisi
Sat 26 th Sept	10.00 am SFA 6.30 pm SP	Pilgrimage of St. Joseph's & Christ the King parishes to St. Francis, Shefford Mary Mahady intentions	Mass is at 11am (Confessions at St. Francis from 9.30 – 10am)
Sun 27 th Sept	9.00 am SFA 11.00 am SP 01.00 pm SP 5.15 pm SFA	Mass for the People of the Parishes Brigitte McMahon, RIP Baptism of Christie Mary Cawley Billy Birdie Doherty family intentions	Twenty Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time
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 September

Eva Mary Cooper (2000), John Cottam (2001), Peter John Mallet Mote (2002), Annie Christopher (2003), Patricia Frost (2003), Maria Taylor (2004), Patrick Sullivan (2004), Thomas Collins (2004), Mary Nunn (2005), Jean Terry (2005), Mary Jane O'Brien (2005), Baby Dover (2006), Nora Quinn (2007), Kathleen Henry (2007), Paul Maher (2008), Shae Nicholas Honey (2010), Gilbert Joseph Daly (2012), Margaret Thatcher (2013), Carl Daniel Tomlin (2013), Winifred Prosser (2013), Ivan Desmond Stanslaus (2013), Monique Giselle Matthews (2014), Pier Luigi Baffoni (2020), Eddie O'Callaghan (2021), Margaret Rees (2025), Peter Edward Crawley (2025)

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

PARISH NOTICES

Jubilee Pilgrimages to St. Francis of Assisi, Shefford

As we are in the Jubilee Year of St. Francis of Assisi, all the parishes in our Bedfordshire Deanery are making a pilgrimage to our parish of St. Francis in Shefford. The details of the pilgrimages of the parishes are as follows:

26th September: St. Joseph's & Our Lady's, Christ the King
 4th October: St. Francis and St. Peter's Biggleswade
 (Feast of St. Francis of Assisi)
 17th October: Sacred Heart at Flitwick & Leighton Buzzard
 26th October: St. Bernardine of Siena, Buckingham

We will have nine days of Novena prayers in preparation for the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi at Shefford.

25th September: 1st day Novena Mass at Shefford at 9.30am
 26th –30th September: Novena prayers after the Masses
 1st –3rd October: Triduum Masses at St. Francis, Shefford
 3rd October (Saturday): Vigil Mass at St. Peter's at 6.30pm
4th October (Sunday): Masses are at St. Francis, Shefford at 9am, 11am and 5.15pm (Please note there is no 11am Mass at St. Peter's, Biggleswade)

Requiescat in pace

Mrs. Anne King, whose requiem will be on Wednesday 23rd September, 2026 at 12 noon at St Peter's, Biggleswade.

Mr. Denis Coleman, whose funeral service will be on Monday 28th September, 2026 at 11am at St Francis, Shefford.

MACMILLAN Coffee Morning at St. Peter's

It is on Friday the **25th of September from 11am until 2pm**. We will be serving teas, coffee and a splendid selection of lovely cakes, savouries and of course a raffle for this amazing charity. It would be wonderful if you could join us, or if you can't - there will be a donation box after Masses that weekend. It is such a worthwhile cause and will be helping people throughout the UK. Any donations of cakes, savouries and raffle prizes will be gratefully received on the day or speak to a member of the Social Club if you have any questions. More importantly it would be lovely to see you on the day.

Thank you for your continued support.
 The Social Club Committee

OCIA

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is the liturgical and pastoral process by which adults become Catholic. It was formerly commonly called RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults).

The OCIA programme will be starting on the evening of the 30th September at 8pm (after Word and Communion Service), this programme will be completed at Easter 2027 where participants will be accepted into full communion in the Church.

Anyone who would like to make enquiries please speak to

	St. Francis	St. Peter's
Last week's Collections	£233.50	£307.75
Standing Orders	£130	£420

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BEDS & HERTS - BIKE & HIKE (12th September 2026)

Thank-you note from Carmel and Ann

A big thank you to our Bikers & Hikers - Fr. Prasad, Ian Cousins, Jacqui Wilkinson & Adam Bates. I would also like to thank all the helpers for manning the church to welcome our visitors on the day. Thank you so much for all your hard work and to our parishioners for sponsoring them. *Carmel* Thanks to all who participated in biking, hiking, & manning the Church to greet visitors and offer refreshments.

Without the sponsors we wouldn't be able to do this so once again, a big thank you to all our parishioners.

I will let you know the total amount raised once the sponsor money is collected in full.

If you have not paid, please see Ann or Jason.

With renewed thanks, *Ann Hampshire*

Confirmation 2027

We would like to invite young people (in year 7 or above) who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation to register their interest by completing a form, available in the porch at Biggleswade or from Jay Bridge at Shefford.

We expect the preparation programme to begin after Easter with the Confirmation Mass taking place in June/July 2027. Any adults who wish to be confirmed can also complete a form and appropriate support will be arranged.

First Holy Communion – St. Francis, Shefford

St Francis - Registration is now open for children who wish to make their First Holy Communion in 2027. Please sign up using the QR code or link below. There will be a meeting for parents after Sunday morning Mass on 25th October. This is for children who will be 8 years old by 31st August 2027.



CASPAR

You can sign up to our First Holy Communion programme from our Parish Census. Simply follow the link or scan the QR Code on your phone. You can also sign up to receive the parish newsletter by email or phone.

www.caspar.church/me?ID=56078



SVP Memorial Mass at St Peter's: 7th November, 3.00pm

Together with Fr Prasad the SVP is arranging a Mass to remember and celebrate the lives of all the people we know who have died since 1st November 2025.

People who have attended St Peter's memorial services previously commented how lovely these services were and how they helped their families. We invite those who would wish to remember and celebrate the life of a loved one who has died since the 1st November 2025 to complete the on-line registration form <https://forms.gle/PbAcYEwiUbod62V8>. If you don't have internet access then call 07526 753986 and one of the SVP members will do this for you.

Second Collection

This Week: Bishop's Conference