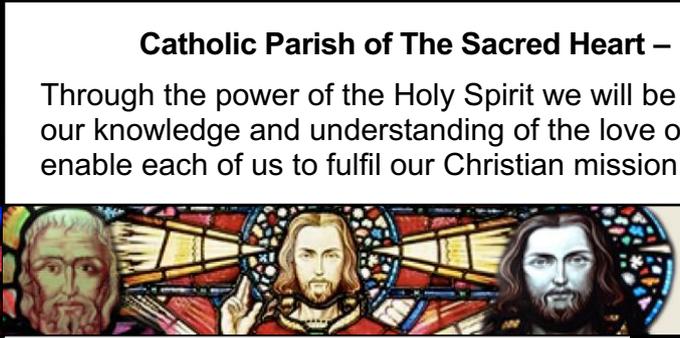


# Bulletin



10 July 2022

Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time – Year C



## Catholic Parish of The Sacred Heart – *Our Mission*

Through the power of the Holy Spirit we will be a parish renewed in our knowledge and understanding of the love of Jesus Christ, to enable each of us to fulfil our Christian mission.



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Thank you for your contribution to the parish. Standing orders are £860.00 weekly. The collection last week was £322.90.

Thank you, the finance committee.

## PARISH CATECHESIS BY FR. JERRY

## MASS TIMES

### Theme: *Who is my neighbour?*

The Gospel reading addresses a social issue of a neighbour. I suppose that the lawyer who questioned Jesus knew much about the law and how it could be summarised as loving God and loving neighbour, but failed to appreciate the deeper meaning of who a neighbour is? Hence, he quizzed Jesus 'who is my neighbour?' A neighbour is everyone who deserves our respect and the means necessary for living a life with dignity (CCC#1931).

Indeed, the duty of making oneself a neighbour to others and actively serving them becomes even more urgent when it involves the disadvantaged, in whatever area this may be (CCC#1932). For instance, when we celebrate the sacrament of Penance, the priest is fulfilling the ministry of the Good Samaritan who binds up wounds, pouring oil and wine on the wounded man and lifting him on his donkey (CCC#1465). To come to the support of our neighbour, either spiritual or bodily necessities are considered works of mercy and works of justice pleasing to God (CCC#2447).

To love one's neighbour is to abolish all physical boundaries and all divisions. This involves doing away with fears, prejudices and attitudes of pride and selfishness. To be a neighbour is to see things from the other person's perspective and respond to that without regard to outward appearances.

Ultimately, Jesus Christ came into this world as our neighbour because we need assistance in a frail world. May our Eucharistic celebration bring us to grow in the spirit of compassion and love.

### THIS WEEK

- † Tuesday at 9.30 am
- † Wednesday at 9.30 am
- † Thursday at 9.30 pm
- † Friday at 10.00 am
- † Saturday at 5.00 pm
- † Sunday at 9.00 am and 11.00 am

### CONFESSION

Confession is available before Mass on Friday and Saturday and on request.

### Confirmation Mass

On Thursday 14 July, Bishop David will be celebrating Mass at Sacred Heart and confirming fifteen young people from our parish. Will you please pray for them and their family and friends?



### Masses will be offered this week for ...

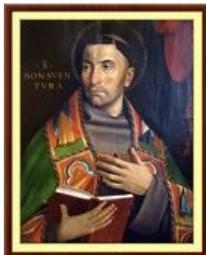
9 July	5.00 pm	Our Candidates for Confirmation
10 July	9.00 am	Bridget Russell, Anniversary, RIP
10 July	11.00 pm	Martin Joseph and May Stynes, RIP
12 July	9.30 am	Private Intentions
13 July	9.30 am	Private Intentions
14 July	9.30 am	Aaron Powditch, Recently Deceased, RIP
14 July	7.30 pm	Confirmation Mass
15 July	10.00 am	Seán Moynihan, Recently Deceased, RIP

### CIRCLE OF PRAYER FOR JULY SEAFARERS

Eternal Lord God, ruler of the earth and sky, be pleased to receive into your protection all who go down to the sea in ships to work or to seek refuge. Preserve them in body and soul; prosper their labours with good success; in time of danger be their help and defence and bring them safely into port; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Feast of St Bonaventure 15 July

St Bonaventure, known as the seraphic doctor, was born at Bagnoregio, in the Lazio region of central Italy, in 1221. He received the name of Bonaventure in consequence of an exclamation of St Francis of Assisi, when, in response to the pleading of the child's mother, the saint prayed for John's recovery from a dangerous illness, and, foreseeing the future greatness of the little John, cried out 'O Buona ventura' – O good fortune!



At the age of twenty-two, St Bonaventure entered the Franciscan Order. Having made his vows, he was sent to Paris to complete his studies under the celebrated doctor, Alexander of Hales, an Englishman and a Franciscan. After the latter's death he continued his course under his successor, John of Rochelle. In Paris he became the intimate friend of the great St Thomas Aquinas. He received the degree of doctor, together with St Thomas Aquinas, ceding to his friend against the latter's inclination, the honour of having it first conferred upon him. Like St Thomas Aquinas, he enjoyed the friendship of the holy King of France, St Louis IX.

At the age of thirty-five he was chosen General of his Order and restored a perfect calm where peace had been disturbed by internal dissensions. He did much for his order and composed *The Life of St Francis*. He also assisted at the translation of the relics of St Anthony of Padua. He was nominated Archbishop of York by Pope Clement IV, but he begged not to be forced to accept that dignity. Gregory X obliged him to take upon himself a greater one, that of Cardinal and Bishop of Albano, one of the six suffragan Sees of Rome. Before his death, he abdicated his office of General of the Franciscan Order. He died while he was assisting at the Second Council of Lyons, on 15 July 1274.

Adapted from <https://www.catholic.org/>

## For Sale

Our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Book  
£5.00 each. Available in the foyer



### Newsletter copy deadline

Thursday midday Contact: Suzanne Yates 01525 840 661 / 07919 263 147, [smyates47@gmail.com](mailto:smyates47@gmail.com)



Apostleship  
of the Sea  
Serving Seafarers Worldwide

Sea Sunday 2022  
will be Celebrated  
next Sunday 10 July

Sea Sunday is when we have the opportunity to remember and pray for seafarers, their families and all who support them. On Sea Sunday, Catholic churches around the UK usually take up a second collection with all funds going to the Apostleship of the Sea, to support their work. It is a day of remembrance, prayer and celebration, and an opportunity to think about and thank those seafarers we often take for granted who work tirelessly throughout the year bringing us goods.

**PLEASE BE AS GENEROUS AS YOU CAN.**



## Congratulations

Our grand total was £1,664.50. If CAFOD is successful in claiming the gift aid then this will add another £277.50 making a grand total of £1,942. Well done to everyone. Fr. Jerry raised £681 of this, so well done to him in particular. Other stars were Jim Aylward, Marlene Perrett and Bill Kosh.

## Our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations will continue with our pilgrimage to Walsingham on 10 September. Our pilgrimage to France is from 22 May to 27 May 2023. More information coming. Put it in your diary! Please add your name to the list in the foyer or contact Suzanne on [secretary@sacredheartflitwick.co.uk](mailto:secretary@sacredheartflitwick.co.uk) or on 07919263147 to book a place.



## Welcoming at Mass

Sacred Heart church is known for being a welcoming church and this is a very important ministry of the Lord. Some of our welcomers have had to stop this role due to other commitments. We would love some more people to volunteer to help out. The more we have the less we do. Contact Suzanne on [secretary@sacredheartflitwick.co.uk](mailto:secretary@sacredheartflitwick.co.uk) or on 07919263147

## PPC AGM 2022

The PPC AGM will take place on Thursday 21 July at 7.30 pm, in the parish room. The agenda and annual report will be available on the church's website by 18 July.

Everyone is welcome to attend. It is a good opportunity to see what the PPC has accomplished over the last twelve months.

## INFORMATION

### CONFESSION

Confessions are available before Mass on Friday and Saturday and on request.

### SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

with Fr. Jerry on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6.00 pm to 7.30 pm

### PRAYER LINE

Please ring for intercessory prayer on 01525 634 186. We have some wonderful answers to prayers. Be assured of full confidentiality.

### SAFEGUARDING

For information contact Paula Bates [safeguarding@sacredheartflitwick.co.uk](mailto:safeguarding@sacredheartflitwick.co.uk)

### CHURCH NEWSLETTER ONLINE

<http://www.sacredheartflitwick.co.uk>

### IN HOSPITAL OR HOUSEBOUND?

Please let us know of anyone who needs a visit.

### HOSPITAL CONTACTS

Bedford Hospital – Deacon Tony Quinlan on 01234 950 453 or [tonyquinlan15@gmail.com](mailto:tonyquinlan15@gmail.com)  
Luton and Dunstable Hospital – Deacon Jim Hannigan on 07756 685 220 or [deaconjimhannigan@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:deaconjimhannigan@northamptondiocese.org)

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Members provide help, support and friendship to anyone in need. If you or someone you know needs help at this time, please talk to us by ringing 07770 499 239. We are here to help.

### MASS INTENTIONS

For Mass Intentions, call or email Suzanne who will arrange for Fr. Jerry to say a Mass. There are special envelopes in the foyer that you can fill in and leave in the sacristy.

### SEWING GROUP

The sewing group will meet on **1 August** from 2.00 pm till 4.00 pm. For details, phone Hilary Brennan on 01525 717 919



### COME AND SEE

Please join the charismatic prayer group for adoration and prayer as we plan our future meetings. Wednesday 13 July, from 7.30 pm to 9.00 pm in the church. All welcome



### MOTHERS' PRAYERS will

meet on **15 July** after 10.00 am Mass. Join us for a welcoming cup of coffee before praying for your family. We aim to end by 11.45 am. Ring Sue Barley 01525 634186 for information.

