

ST AUGUSTINE'S, DATCHET

70 Eton Road
DATCHET
SL3 9AY



Parish Priest: Fr. Shyju Chacko
Email: Parish.StAugustineDatchet@northamptondiocese.org
Tel: 01753 917030

OUR LADY OF SORROWS, ETON

1 Eton Court
ETON
SL4 6BY



Safeguarding: Judy Hill
Email: safeguarding@staugustines.org.uk
Office Email: office@staugustines.org.uk
Website: www.staugustines.org.uk

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 16 FEBRUARY 2025

SUNDAY MESSAGE FROM FR. SHYJU	WEEKEND & WEEKDAYS HOLY MASS TIMES			
We want to be blessed. We always receive blessings from others and especially from God. The blessings that we hear in the Gospel today are quite different from those we think about. All who are poor in this world are supposed to be blessed in Heaven, whereas the rich, so called blessed, are not rich in heaven too. Why? Blessings are to be shared with others, like our skills, talents, wealth, time etc. Let us really be blessed. Fr Shyju	Datchet	Sat 15	06.00pm	Kathleen Wall RIP
	Eton	Sun 16	09.30am	People of the Parish
	Datchet	Sun 16	11.00am	Personal Intention
	Datchet	Mon 17	No Mass	
	Datchet	Tue 18	09.30am	Ken Garrett
	Datchet	Wed 19	09.30am	St Patrick's Missionary Society
	Datchet	Thu 20	09.30am	Peace & Justice in our World
	Datchet	Fri 21	No Mass	
	ROSARY: Twenty minutes prior to Holy Mass.	CONFESSION: Any Weekday after the Mass / by appointment		
BENEDICTION: Every Thursday after 9.30am Mass	EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Weekdays before Mass from 8.30am			

THANK YOU Fr. FRANK: We thank Fr. Frank McAuliffe, who returned from Ireland to cover for Fr. Shyju, whilst he was away. Fr. Frank will be leaving us on the afternoon of Thursday 20 February and we welcome Fr Shyju back on Saturday 22 February.

TEA / COFFEE will be available after the 11.00am Mass on Sunday in Datchet in the *Jubilee Hall*. This will be an opportunity to say thank you and goodbye to Fr Frank.

OFFERTORY: 08/ 09 February: Cash £ 151 SOs £230.

SECOND COLLECTION FOR ST PATRICK'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY: £503

SICK OF THE PARISH: Please pray for James Ansell, Maria Cordosa, Maggie and Peter Darbin, Fred Flaherty, Janet Graham, Peter Keating, Sheila Jones, Terri Nicoll, Nino Puma, Eithne Reynolds, Tricia Rice, Elaine Shaw, Roger Stewart and Linda Webb. If anyone would like to have a priest visit them or others who are sick, kindly speak to Fr. Frank.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO BURGUNDY: Bishop David and Canon John Udris will lead the Diocesan pilgrimage to France in October 2025. The group will stay in Paray Le Monial and visit the Basilica of the Sacred Heart, where Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque once received her divine visions and also Nevers where Saint Bernadette spent the last years of her life and her body rests today. Visit: <https://www.icjourneys.com/fnd-lyons>

WEXHAM PARK HOSPITAL: Before covid and lockdown a number of parishioners were trained as Hospital Volunteers and visited patients on behalf of the Church. I think we are now ready to start again! If you have some time on your hands, do you think you might be interested in this Ministry? There would be good training given (by the hospital) and you will receive certification as an official visitor. Over time the role could develop beyond more than visiting patients. We would like to provide a regular Service of Word and Communion in the hospital and so you might become a leader of such Services on a rota basis.

To find out more please contact: parish.holyfamily@northamptondiocese.org

WE STILL URGENTLY NEED VOLUNTEERS: Each week two Parishioners count the Offertory which has been given at weekend Masses. This task takes under 30 minutes, (usually 15 minutes) and is undertaken on a Sunday or Monday in Datchet (by prior arrangement). Recently the number available to volunteer for this task has been reduced due to ill health of volunteers. Please can more parishioners come forward to help with this small, but important task, so that the load is spread amongst more people.

Please email office@staugustines.org.uk giving your email and phone number. Thank you in anticipation.

CAFOD BIG LENT WALK: In just over 1 month the Big Lent Walk begins! Sign up and raise vital funds for communities around the world. Every £1 raised through the Big Lent Walk will help fight poverty globally in countries like Afghanistan, Colombia and South Sudan. Walk 200km (or any other distance!) wherever you like, and with whomever you like (as a parish, a family or individually). Let's change community lives for good and tell poverty to take a hike! Find out more : <https://parishes.walk.cafod.org.uk/about>

BLUESKY: The Diocese of Northampton is now on Bluesky Social! Bluesky is a new and growing social media platform that allows us to connect in a fresh way while keeping our Catholic community engaged and informed. Through the Bluesky account, the Diocese will share news, events, reflections, and opportunities to deepen our faith together. Follow now at @northamptondiocese.bsky.social

THANK YOU!

Dear St. Augustine's & Our Lady of Sorrows,



We would like to thank you for your kind support and recent donation to Slough Foodbank.

We received your donations during January which weighed a total of 215 kg. Each gift makes an enormous difference to families and individuals who are most in need in our local community. To explain how your donation will help, approximately 10kg of essential food items and 1kg of toiletry items provide a single person with three days of emergency supplies.



Your support is needed now more than ever. Slough Foodbank statistics show a shocking increase in the number of people needing help, with 7% more food parcels distributed in 2024 versus 2023. A total of 12,147 food parcels were distributed in 2024.

Our prime function is to supply a three-day emergency food parcel to those who suddenly find themselves in an unexpected crisis. In addition to food, we also supply basic toiletries and household products, as well as nappies, baby wipes and pet food if required.

However, our support does not stop there. Slough Foodbank also provides useful information to our clients about relevant specialist organisations that can help resolve any longer-term problems our clients may have. By providing this package of support, we endeavour to offer a lasting hand-up to help our clients make a positive move into the future.

We hope that you will continue to support Slough Foodbank. We ask if you could kindly only donate the items specified on our shopping list. It is also most helpful to receive small packs rather than in bulk as clients often have to walk home from a distribution centre with heavy bags.

With our gratitude and warm wishes

Laura Cole, Manager Slough Foodbank

PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE FOODBANK

Boxes for donations can be found in each Church. The items on their Shopping List are:

Food Urgent: long life fruit juice, tinned fruit, tinned tuna, tinned vegetables, long life custard, cooking sauces, coffee, tinned spaghetti, long-life milk, instant mash, soup, long-life rice pudding.

Always required: tea, long life sponge puddings, tinned tomatoes, tinned meat.

Please note they have a 12 month supply of PASTA. It is NOT NEEDED.

Toiletries & Basic Items Urgent: washing up liquid, shampoo, deodorant, shaving foam/gel, toothpaste, child toothbrushes, nappies size 6+, 7 & 8.

Always required: soap, toilet rolls, strong carrier bags.