BLAZE 2022 are pleased to announce that bookings for BLAZE 2022 are now open. Bishop David and NYMO invite Confirmandi school Year 7+ to attend BLAZE on Saturday 14th May 2022 at the Ridgeway Centre in Milton Keynes. BLAZE gives Confirmandi from across the Diocese the opportunity to come together: to be celebrated and encouraged as they prepare to be Confirmed, through an engaging and fast-paced day. The day starts at 11.00am and finishes at 5.00pm. At different points in the day, smaller groups of Confirmandi will have the chance to meet Bishop David and ask him questions. Throughout the day, Confirmandi will take part in a number of interactive workshops that include a mixture of different themes and activities. Although there will be some input before the groups go and explore their workshops, our aim is that Blaze is experiential: giving Confirmandi the chance to engage with the wider church and to be impacted by the many ways the Holy Spirit is at work within her! The cost for both Catechists and Confirmandi is £13 per person. Lunch is provided for catechists, but Confirmandi must bring a packed lunch.

ONLINE ROSARY All welcome. Thursday evenings 7.45pm – 9.00pm via Zoom. Please feel free to join in on a flexible basis. For joining details, contact Deacon Brin on 07931 607249 or email <u>brin.dunsire@gmail.com</u>

FINANCES We are extremely grateful, not only for your financial support, but also to the volunteers who help in so many ways. Your valued ongoing support to the Parish can be made through the following options: **Giving Tuesday – Telephone Donation** Each **Tuesday between 10:00am and 4:00pm**, you can call this number, **01604 712065**, and donate to your parish. Our online giving platform provider is 'Invest My Community' who work with other Catholic Diocese, schools and charities. You can access our online giving page via the donate button on our Diocesan Website or by using the following link <u>https://northamptondiocese.org/donate/</u> If you would like to use this facility to make your regular, one off donations please ensure you indicate this along with the name of your parish, and any other message detail in the 'Public Message' box. Please note this information <u>is not</u> made visible to the public.

Standing Order via donor's own bank:. The information you require to make this donation is as follows: Bank: NatWest. Sort Code; 60-06-11. Account Number; 46716203. Account Name; RCDN Our Lady of Peace. Payment Ref: Our Lady of Peace, Slough

Standing Order through this link: <u>https://northamptondiocese.org/wp-content/uploads/GAD-general-June-18-v2-revision.pdf</u>

Donation Box now available in Our Lady of Peace for Mass intentions, offertory, donations, etc.

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Also look out for the DONATE HERE sign with QR Code in the Church. Thank you.



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6TH FEBRUARY 2022 : FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (YEAR C)

NEWS FROM THE BISHOPS' CONFERENCE OF ENGLAND AND WALES Restrictions brought in to halt the spread of Covid-19 have been lifted in Churches throughout England and Wales after nearly two years. The relaxation of restrictions corresponds with the end of the Government's "Plan B" restrictions introduced. Whilst this reduction of restrictions brings a more normal way of living, the Covid-19 virus is still in circulation, and we should bear this in mind of those participating in the life of the Church as time goes forward, ensuring the need for personal safety and taking responsibility for that safety. The scientific consensus is that society is moving towards the stage where the virus is transitioning from the pandemic phase to the endemic phase, but as stated by HM Government, there is still a risk associated with gathering for sustained periods in enclosed spaces and therefore there needs to be continued caution by all against infection. The wearing of masks inside Churches will be optional rather than compulsory, although we encourage you to continue to wear a mask if possible. There will be no social distancing but please be sensitive to the needs of others around you. The sign of peace can be re-introduced and holy water stoups filled up again. We should continue to ensure there is good ventilation, balancing this against the need for church heating, especially at this time. If you experience any COVID-19 symptoms, stay at home. If you tested positive for COVID-19 and were in Church recently, stay at home and inform us immediately by calling 01628 605764 so that we can take the necessary steps. Thank you for your continued vigilance.

PARISH OFFICE In line with Government changes and Diocesan guidelines, Yvonne, as Parish Secretary, will continue working from home four days per week on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, from 9.00am to 2.00pm, until further instructions are received. For all Parish matters please contact Yvonne via email on <u>office.ourladyofpeace@northamptondiocese.org</u> or Fr Joseph via email on <u>frjosephudoh@northamptondiocese.org</u> or you can telephone the Parish office on 01628 605764 and leave a message.

DECEASED Please pray for John Dawson RIP who died recently, his body will be received into Our Lady of Peace Church on Monday, 28th February at 4.30pm, and his Requiem Mass will be on Tuesday, 1st March at 12.30pm, followed by burial at Parkside. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace, Amen.

ENROLMENT FOR SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION Young people in Year 9 and above who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this year are invited to contact Yvonne via email: <u>office.ourladyofpeace@northamptondiocese.org</u> writing to express their reasons to join the preparation programme. All applications will be forwarded to Fr Joseph. Closing date for applications is **THIS SUNDAY**, **6**TH **FEBRUARY**. We are aiming to start the classes in March.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME The Sessions have started, please pray for the children that they will grow in their appreciation of the Sacrament of Holy Communion

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday 10.00am 6.00pm	5th February Our Lady of Peace Our Lady of Peace	FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Benediction and Mass Bartley Coyne RIP (Conroy); Noreen O'Keefe RIP (Cafferty); Frank Stewart RIP (Stewart)
Sunday 9.30am	6th February Our Lady of Peace	FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR McCann Family Intentions (O'Donnell); Bartley Coyne RIP (Cafferty); Arthur & Noreen O'Keefe RIP (O'Keefe Family)
11.30am	St Andrew's	Leela & Zeena Intentions (Fernandez); Melanie Morley RIP (Anniv) (Sepala & K Ratna) Mrs Baby Anthony RIP (Borges); People of the Parish
Monday 9.30am	7th February Our Lady of Peace	Repose of the souls of Leone family (Leone)
Tuesday 9.30am	8 th February Our Lady of Peace	Howard Goldberg RIP (Anniversary) (Goldberg); Rosily Tharakan Intentions (Kuthokathen)
Thursday 9.30am	10th February St Andrew's	Marie Oke Intentions (Cafferty); Finbarr O'Sullivan Intentions (Sugrue)
Friday 9.30am	11 th February Our Lady of Peace	Vijay Abbi RIP (1 st Anniversary) (Fernandes); Eleanore Kempson Birthday Int (Rosary Group)
Saturday 6.00pm	12th February Our Lady of Peace	SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Marie Oke Intentions (Gang); Frank Stewart RIP (Stewart)
Sunday 9.30am	13th February Our Lady of Peace	SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Harper Family Intentions (O'Donnell); Noreen O'Keefe RIP (Conroy); Michael Daly RIP
11.30am	St Andrew's	(Anniv) (Daly); Bartley Coyne RIP (Barker) Baby Nathan Intentions; Aaron Stephens, Bellermine Joseph RIP; People of the Parish

Join Live streaming of Masses on *Facebook*: ourladyofpeacecatholicchurchburnham and YouTube: <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCegtpwudImz48G-m3gPNy4Q</u>

SYNOD CONSULTATIONS AT OUR LADY OF PEACE AND ST ANDREW'S CHURCHES

SYNOD Deadline 13th February 2022. Join a discussion on the Church today and for the future Have you managed to sign up for a Consultation Session yet? Do not miss this unique opportunity to shape the future of the church. Your ideas and views will be submitted, in complete confidence, to the Diocese and to Rome. Consultations are held in small groups after Mass on Sunday or during one of the sessions on the schedule attached. The discussions will be centred around these three questions:

- What are some of your experiences of the Church doing something well?
- What would you like to see improved or changed and how?
- What are your dreams for the Church?

Sessions are very relaxed and friendly. If you cannot attend a session in person, we can arrange a telephone call, or a Zoom meeting or indeed, you can send your views via email using the attached form. For further information please contact:

Email: synodsessions@gmail.com

Phone: 07584 056300 (Leave a message with your name and number and we will get back to you)

We are hoping for a really good response from this parish and please feel free to pass the invitation along to friends and family who may like to participate. All are welcome.

SHEKHINAH PRAYER GROUP meet weekly on Wednesdays from 7.00pm to 8.30pm via Zoom. Catholic teachings on different topics and Lectio Divina (Praying the Scriptures) are handled on alternative weeks, the talk for Wednesday 9th February will be Lectio Divina and Reflections, the Speaker will be Deacon Michael. If you are interested in joining the group please contact Yvonne via email: <u>office.ourladyofpeace@northamptondiocese.org</u> and a link will be sent to you.

SPIRIT & LIGHT WORSHIP invite you on Friday, 18th February at St Andrew's Church from 8.00pm to 9.00pm to in thanksgiving for grace received. We will adore the Lord Jesus through Scripture, Music and Worship. Please call 07957 594646 for more information.

BAPTISM COURSE Fr Joseph will be holding a Baptism course, via Zoom, on Tuesday, 22nd February between 6.00pm and 8.00pm. This course is for 'first time' parents who wish to have their child Baptised over the next few months. Both Parents and Godparents are required to be at the course. Please contact Yvonne via email on <u>office.ourladyofpeace@northamptondiocese.org to</u> register to join.

RETROUVAILLE Covid 19—a very challenging time for many marriages. So much uncertainty around, health, income, employment, vulnerable family members, children, housing. Different ways of seeing things, coping with change, managing fears can be a source of conflict and stress. It can be difficult to talk, to listen to support and comfort when there is so much uncertainty. Being together all the time, brings different challenges. You wonder would we be better apart? Retrouvaille is a programme to support couples, it brings a positive focus, new hope and helps nourish and grow your marriageand you don't need to leave home, it comes to you! For confidential information about Retrouvaille', or to register for the next programme, a Virtual weekend commencing 3rd – 6th March 2022 Call or text +44 788 729 6983. Email: retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.org – or visit www.retrouvaille.uk