



# Parish of St Michael, the Archangel, Huntingdon

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**4<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time Year B**

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Psalter: Week 1

**SATURDAY**      **3<sup>rd</sup> February: Vigil Mass**  
18.00 Mass For the people of our parish.

**SUNDAY**      **4<sup>th</sup> February**  
(LS) 09.00 Mass Elliot Ogirisen  
(LS) 11.00 Mass Terry Finbow  
15.30 Mass in Polish

**MONDAY**      **5<sup>th</sup> February:**  
**St Agatha**  
09.30 Mass Nora McGrath +  
13.00 *Funeral Service: Nora McGrath +*

**TUESDAY**      **6<sup>th</sup> February:**  
**St Paul Miki & Companions**  
No Mass today

**WEDNESDAY**      **7<sup>th</sup> February: Feria**  
09.30 Mass Fr Richard Moroney +  
16.30 Mass at Hinchingsbrooke Hospital

**THURSDAY**      **8<sup>th</sup> February:**  
**St Josephine Bakhita**  
09.30 Mass Elizabeth Oteze  
(LS) 10.00 *Midweek meditation*

**FRIDAY**      **9<sup>th</sup> February: Feria**  
09.30 Mass Pacita Balbona

**SATURDAY**      **10<sup>th</sup> February:**  
**St Scholastica**  
(LS) 09.30 Mass Elizabeth Oteze  
10.00 *Confessions*

**Vigil Mass. St Michael's 18.00**

Please park in Riverside car park, across the road, not in the streets behind the church. This also applies if you come to evening events in the Church.

**WEEKDAY MASS:** work should continue this week on the re-wiring and new lighting for the Church, so Mass will be in the GS Room and will not be live streamed from Monday – Friday. If you are coming to Mass, please enter by the garden door and try to be on time, otherwise you disturb everyone else at Mass.

## Your prayers are asked for:

**Our parishioners who are sick:** Martin Ahern, Rita Anand, Pacita Balbona, Purgi Bloomfield, Pauline Brown, Eileen Dolan, Terry Finbow, Bridget Gaynor, Molly Hazell, Patrick Moore, Anne McGovern, Paul Reddington, Rosa Ruggiero, Wendy Shilleto, Rita Swann, Fr Ivan Weston & Nina Wiktorowicz. May the Lord reach out his healing hand to them.

**For those whose anniversaries occur this week:** Maria Gentile, Frederick Gillham, Michael Fordham, Rachel Bell, Mark Connolly, Nora Lester, Anna Hunt, Elizabeth Battle, Lawrence Daye, Henry Kelsey, David Morgan, Maria Burbidge, Ingeborg Rainsford, Elizabeth Allen, Harold Morrell, & Frances Stoll. May they rest in peace.

**National Cycle of Prayer:** during Ordinary Time up to the Season of Lent: please remember these intentions in your prayers: peace on earth; Christian unity; openness to the Word of God; victims of trafficking; the sick and those who care for them and those who are unemployed.

If you are going into hospital, please let Fr Philip know so he can visit. We do not always get the names of patients & can miss you if you do not tell us where they are. Thank you.

**VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING:** **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February** is a world day of pray for the victims of trafficking and is the feast of St Josephine Bakhita, herself trafficked many times in her early life. Please pray for all who suffer this injustice in their lives.

O God, who led St Josephine Bakhita from abject slavery to the dignity of being your daughter & a bride of Christ, grant, that by her example we may show constant love for the Lord Jesus crucified, remaining steadfast in charity & prompt to show compassion.

Please see over, a new Diocesan initiative.



**FOOD BANK DONATIONS:** our next collection for the foodbank is **Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> February**. There will be a box near each door, for your donations. Please bring tins, dried food or toiletries as your donation.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** next meeting will be on **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> February**. The next meeting will be on **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February** at 10.00.

#### **Last Sunday Collection**

Huntingdon:	£238.28
Standing Orders	£425.50
Card Reader	£200.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£863.78</b>

**Thank you for your generous support of our parish community.**

**SUNDAY COLLECTION:** in the orange buckets near the doors & the card reader in the GS Room.

**INVITING YOUNG PEOPLE** (age 16 – 30) to *Transform For Lent*. It might seem that Christmas was only yesterday but already it's not long until Lent! The Ignite Team are hosting a weekend retreat for young people at Clare Priory the weekend before Lent begins **10<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> February**. Contemporary music, inspiring talks and passionate prayer times. For more information and to book a place see [www.rcdea.org.uk/youth](http://www.rcdea.org.uk/youth)

**COFFEE MORNING:** there will be coffee morning as usual this week after Mass on Wednesday.

**YOUNG ADULTS** now living and working in our parish are invited to come to a gathering to encourage and support you in your faith. We will meet in the GS Room on **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February** at 18.00 for a time of prayer, socialising and some simple food.

**CLEANERS THIS WEEK:** members of our Filipino community by **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February**. Thank you.

**FOR SALE:** a tabletop electric oven with two rings on top, this is ideal for a small flat or a student room, £50. You can see a photo on the GS Board, if you are interested, Fr Philip will show you the oven.



**PANCAKE SUPPER:** is on **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February** from 19.00 - 21.00. Tickets are on sale today, £5.00 for adults and £3.00 for children. Hope you will come for a party before Lent begins. If you are coming, **please remember to bring your own drinks.**

**END MODERN SLAVERY IN OUR DIOCESE** A new group is forming in the Diocese to help to reduce modern slavery here. During 2022, in our Diocese alone, 746 souls were found enslaved and rescued. Police describe this number of enslaved people, as the tip of the iceberg. Pope Francis wants us to "find" enslaved people. All that means is learning (simply) to spot the signs and safely report them to the Modern Slavery Helpline [08000 121 700](tel:08000121700). The new group is looking for young & older volunteers to join the group. No previous knowledge or experience required, just a wish to end slavery in our diocese. Please contact [john\\_simong@hotmail.com](mailto:john_simong@hotmail.com) to discuss possibly volunteering and read the leaflet about St Bakhita (regarded as the patron saint of Modern Slavery) at <https://www.rcdea.org.uk/caritas-east-anglia/modern-slavery> "

**LISTENING & PRAYER MINISTRY:**  
**01603 957653.**

*May God's blessing be with you and  
all your family this week.*

