



St Martin de Porres Catholic Church, Luton

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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome to St Martin's

THIS SUNDAY'S SECOND COLLECTION... will be for *Pax Christi*, our national Catholic movement for peace. Envelopes are available on the table in the porch.

LUTON DEANERY MARRIAGE COURSE – Will take place from 10-4 on **Sat 24th Feb 2018** at **St. Joseph's Parish Centre**. Please book by the end of January (see Fr Michael.)

THE LEAGRAVE BRANCH OF COMHALTAS are hosting their Annual New Year session **TODAY** (Sunday) from 3.00pm at St Joseph's Parish Centre, Luton.

CONFIRMATION – We have 25 candidates for Confirmation this year. All candidates, catechists, parents and families are asked to come for the **Enrolment Mass & Meeting** on **Thursday 1st February** from **6:30pm – 7:30pm**. After the Mass, all the information on dates etc. will be given. A donation of £30 is requested which includes the cost of the course book and the retreat day in Milton Keynes in April.

- The first confirmation session will follow on **Thursday 8th February** from **6:45pm**.

REPOSITORY – St Paul's Missals 2018 are now available to buy at the repository (open after both Masses this Sunday)

BEDS. GALWAY ASSOCIATION 2018 DINNER DANCE Anne Mead now has tickets for this year's event. **Sat 17th February** at Holy Ghost Parish Centre, Westbourne Road, Luton. Music will be provided by The Mustang Band and there will be fully licenced bar and raffle. Sit down for 7.15, tickets only £25.00 each. For more information and tickets please ring Anne on 01582 508699.

HELEN HOGAN RIP. Helen's funeral Mass will take place here at St Martin's on Monday 5th February at 10:30am.

KEVIN DOLAN RIP. Kevin's Requiem Mass will take place on Tues 16th Jan at 12.00pm at Holy Family Church.

NEXT FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS – Friday 26th Jan, 5:30pm (Group 1) and Saturday 27th Jan, 11am (Group 2).

CAFOD EVENT – Come and hear about CAFOD's work in Zimbabwe. Deborah Purfield, CAFOD coordinator, will share her experience from her recent visit to El Salvador.

- **Sat 27 Jan** – St Teresa's Hall, 40 Warwick Road, Beaconsfield, HP9 2PL
 - **Sat 3 Feb** – St Mary's Hall, Woburn Sands MK17 8NN
- Each day is from **10:15am – 2.30pm** (coffee/tea from 10am with shared lunch from 1:30pm)

DIOCESAN DIRECTORIES 2018 are full of useful information about our Diocese; addresses of churches, catholic schools, Mass times etc. In the porch for **only £4**.



More Epiphany chalk and prayer cards are in the porch.

SUNDAY 14TH JANUARY 2018

Sat 6:30pm Mary O'Reilly, Int.

9:00am Patrick Devlin, RIP

11:00am The People of the Parish

Monday – Feria

9:00am Richard Bateman, RIP

Tuesday – Feria

9:00am Martin Armstrong, RIP

Wednesday – St Anthony, Abbot

6:30pm Martin Armstrong, RIP

NO ADORATION & CONFESSIONS THIS WEDNESDAY

Thursday – Feria

9:00am Gerry O'Donnell, RIP

FRIDAY – NO MASS TODAY

SATURDAY – CONFESSIONS 5:30PM – 6:00PM

SATURDAY – MASS AT 6:30PM

Next Sunday – 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 6:30pm The People of the Parish

9:00am Kathleen Henry, Int.

11:00am Julia & Peter Donnan, RIP

Charismatic Prayer Group: Friday 7:30pm in the Lady Chapel.

Legion of Mary: Friday 7:30pm in the Hall.

Lunch Club: Fridays 11:30am onwards.



Are you guys ready for Lux.Be?

LUX is a residential for young Catholics aged 11-18 years of age (secondary school). Twice a year 100 young people gather together to celebrate our faith by meeting new friends, learning new stuff and praising God. All this, and having the most unforgettable weekend of their life!

This years theme is 'Be'. Do we ever take time to sit and just 'Be' with God? This is an opportunity to stop for a while and simply BE with God.

All you have to do is fill out the booking form (in the porch) and either send it to the Youth Office at NYMO, 33 Westbourne Road, Luton, LU48JD or email Fiona@nymo.org . The cost for the weekend is £95.00 and this includes everything but please do not let cost put you off – we would just love to see you!

PRAYER INTENTION

Please pray for the Unity of all
Christians



This Sunday's Readings

First Reading – 1 Samuel 3:3-10,19

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.

Samuel was lying in the sanctuary of the Lord, where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' He answered, 'Here I am.' Then he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli said, 'I did not call. Go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down. Once again the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' He replied, 'I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.' Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again the Lord called, the third time. He got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if someone calls say, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

The Lord then came and stood by, calling as he had done before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel answered, 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.'

Samuel grew up and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground.

Responsorial Psalm – 39(40):2,4,7-10

HERE I AM, LORD! I COME TO DO YOUR WILL.

Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 6:13-15,17-20

Your bodies are members making up the body of Christ.

The body is not meant for fornication: it is for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. God, who raised the Lord from the dead, will by his power raise us up too.

You know, surely, that your bodies are members making up the body of Christ; do you think I can take parts of Christ's body and join them to the body of a prostitute? Never! But anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him.

Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are committed outside the body; but to fornicate is to sin against your own body. Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you since you received him from God. You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for. That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*SPEAK, LORD, YOUR SERVANT IS LISTENING:
YOU HAVE THE MESSAGE OF ETERNAL LIFE.*

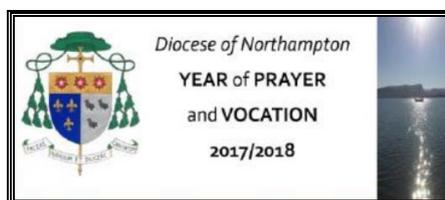
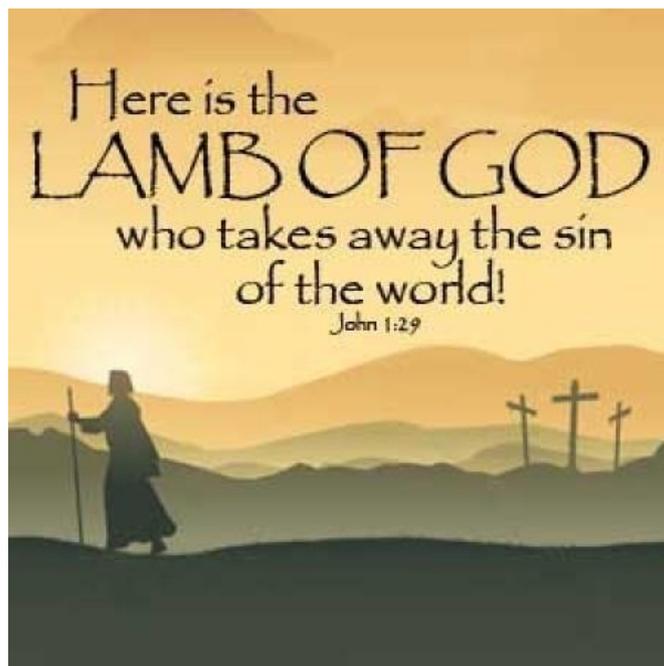
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Gospel – John 1:35-42

They saw where he lived, and stayed with him.

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God.' Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, 'What do you want?' They answered, 'Rabbi,' – which means Teacher – 'where do you live?' 'Come and see' he replied; so they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour.

One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' – which means the Christ – and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas' – meaning Rock.



Thanks to our Offertory Counters

This Week: Team 4: Breda & Anne

Next Week: Team 5: Charlotte & Roy

Thanks to our Church Cleaners

This Week: Team 1: Sheila, Betty, Anne & Mary

Next Week: Team 2: Charismatic Prayer Group

Useful Contact Details

+ Charlotte Seery (Parish Secretary)

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+ **Parish Hall Bookings:** Contact Maura on 01582 724623
between 6pm-8pm.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR OFFERINGS

Collection: Sunday 7th January – £945