

NEWSLETTER: ST MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH, LUTON

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03rd AUGUST 2025 - Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - YEAR C

Date/Time	Celebration/Saint of the Day	Intentions
ST THOMAS Sat 02nd	EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (The Vigil)	17.00 John Holtum (RIP)
Sun 03rd	EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	09.00 Kathleen Duggan (RIP) 11.00 Missa Pro Populo
Mon 04th	St John Mary Vianney, Priest	09.00 Joanna McNelis (B day Int)
Tues 05th	Feria	09.00 Joanna McNelis (B day Int)
Wed 06th	The Transfiguration of The Lord	09.00 Terry Stomley (B day Int)
Thurs 07th	NO PUBLIC MASS TODAY	**
Fri 08th	St Dominic, Priest	09.00 Holy Souls
ST THOMAS Sat 09th	NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (The Vigil)	17.00 Missa Pro Populo
Sun 10th	NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	09.00 Jimmie Kellaheer (RIP) 11.00 Noreen Harkin (RIP) John Knowles (RIP) Bridie Doyle (RIP)

MASS BOOKINGS: Booking forms are in the church foyer. Please book in advance.

CHURCH CLEANING: Group 4— Helen Kirwan and Bianca Dinghile. If anyone has time to join the Cleaning Group you would be very welcomed.

CONFESSIONS: At St. Margaret's Church, Saturday, 11:30am-12:00 or by appointment.

CAN YOU HELP: Volunteer needed to Coordinate Parish Health and Safety requirements.

WEEKLY COLLECTION: Weekend 26/27th July: £324.22. Peter's Pence: £150.91. Thanks for your generous offerings.

PRAY WITH THE POPE: Pope Leo XIV's prayer intention for the month of August is: that societies avoid internal conflicts due to ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons" and encouraging us to "seek paths of dialogue" and "respond to conflict with gestures of fraternity."

PARISH REGISTRATION: Please register by using the following browser: www.caspar.church/me?ID=56043 Or, scan the code below.



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS: Sign-up for admissions to Catholic Secondary Schools for 2026 is ongoing. Remember to sign/stamp your SIGN-UP CARD, if you are present at Mass with the child[ren] involved. The responsibility for this lies with parents/guardians/carers

NO 9AM MASS ON 11.08.2025:

It has not been possible to get cover for some of the daily Masses while Fr Ugochukwu is away on holiday. From Monday the 11th of August until the second week of September there will be no daily Masses on Monday mornings. For Mass schedules always check the newsletter. Sorry for any inconveniences.

FIRST CONFESSIONS / HOLY COMMUNION:

Registration for 2025/2026 for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation (Confession) and First Holy Communion [Eucharist] (Year 3 and above) Registration begins Sunday 3rd of August 2025 till Sunday 28th of September 2025. Once registration is closed no more applications will be accepted until the following year. Forms are available in the Parish Office (9.30 am to 1pm Tuesdays and Fridays) OR Contact Fiona Johnson/Joana Mariano.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Online enrolment for The Sacrament of Confirmation (Year 8 and above) Registration begins Sunday 3rd of August 2025 till Sunday 28th of September 2025. Once registration is closed no more applications will be accepted until the following year. To register, go to: <http://lutonpastoralarea.org/registration/>

REST IN PEACE: Please keep in your prayers Phillip Braund who died on 15th of July 2025. Funeral date is Monday 11th of August 2025 at 10AM, St Margaret of Scotland Church.

SPIRITUALITY VS MATERIALISM: Material life typically centers on tangible achievements and comforts, such as wealth, property, and social status. In contrast, spiritual life revolves around intangible aspects, such as values, beliefs, and emotional well-being. Excessive materialism can lead to chronic stress, financial instability, and an unfulfilled life. On the other hand, a healthy appreciation for material possessions can enhance an individual's comfort, motivation, and overall quality of life. The challenge lies in not allowing the pursuit of material success to overshadow the importance of spiritual growth.

SUPPORT OUR CHURCH: Please donate in the church collection basket or by: Standing Order (NatWest Bank S/C: 60-06-11 A/c No: 91052351 St Margaret's Parish, Luton); website: <https://stmargaretsparish.co.uk/donate> You can use the secure donation stations in the church porch, for weekly offertory, second collections, Mass intentions, candles, or the shop.

It's also now possible to donate directly on your phone or other device. Scan the QR code here, on the poster in the porch or visit the 'donations' page on the parish website.



BAPTISMS NEXT SUNDAY:

At the 11AM Mass next Sunday there will be baptisms of 2 children. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.