

NEWSLETTER: ST MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH, LUTON

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28th December 2025 - THE HOLY FAMILY - YEAR A

4th January 2026 – SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS – YEAR A

| Date/Time | Celebration/Saint of the Day | Intentions |
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| ST THOMAS Sat 27th | HOLY FAMILY-JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH (The Vigil) | 17.00 Chris & Dick Kennedy (RIP) David Hutchinson (RIP) |
| Sun 28th | HOLY FAMILY-JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH | 09.00 Kathleen Kelleher (INT) Missa Pro Populo 11.00 Gregory Baldwin (RIP) 17.00 Missa Pro Populo |
| ST THOMAS Sat 3rd | SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY (The Vigil) | |
| Sun 4th | SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY | 09.00 Crissie Waldock (INT) Eily & Micheal O'Brien and Family 11.00 Norah Calson (RIP) |
| Wed 7th | PRIVATE PRAYERS & ROSARY | *08.00 - 09.30 |
| Fri 9th | PRIVATE PRAYERS & ROSARY | *08.00 - 09.30 |
| ST THOMAS Sat 10th | Second Sunday after the Nativity (The Vigil) | 17.00 Deceased of The Cunningham Family |
| Sun 11th | Second Sunday after the Nativity | 09.00 Missa Pro populo 11.00 Amanda Ward (RIP) |

THANK YOU: Fr. Ugochukwu would like to thank all parishioners, for your prayers, wishes and generous gifts during Christmas celebration. Thanks also to all those who helped to clean and decorate the Church for the Christmas celebration. May God bless and reward you abundantly. Have a Wonderful & Blessed New Year.

CRIB OFFERING: Our crib offerings will be donated to the charity 'Friends of the Holy Land' who work to support the Christian community in the Holy land. Please place donations in the offertory basket at the crib located at the front of the altar or in an envelope and write: 'Friends of the Holy Land,' or on the Dona machine.

CONFIRMATION Next Lesson will take place on Saturday 10th January 2026 10am - 12.30pm. Please arrive on time. This will take place at Holy Ghost Church, Westbourne Road, LU4 8JD.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - The next lesson on 10th January 2026 at 10am -11.30am in the the small hall in the club.

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY: This Feast highlights the Holy Family as a model for Christian households. We see their love and unity in events like the circumcision, the Presentation in the Temple, the Flight into Egypt, and the Finding in the Temple. These moments offer valuable lessons for modern family life. Families are encouraged to remain open to God's guidance through prayer and discernment, making their homes centres of learning where children can be taught to pray, read the Bible, and embody virtues like kindness and generosity. It is essential to instil self-respect in children, reminding them of their inherent goodness and worth. Additionally, teaching the value of hard work, as Joseph did with Jesus, is crucial, along with fostering chastity in relationships. For those who are single, it is important to view marriage as a vocation that requires cooperation with God's grace. Focus on personal growth and patience, as true contentment in marriage stems from being happy with oneself.

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

CHURCH CLEANING:

Group 1. Marie Aitken & Kay Waldock. If you have time to spare and join the Cleaning Group you would be very welcomed.

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

PRAY WITH THE POPE: Pope Leo XIV's prayer intention for the month of January. Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

PARISH REGISTRATION: Please register by using the following browser:

www.caspar.church/me?ID=56043
Or, scan the code below.



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.

