

NEWSLETTER: ST MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH, LUTON

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17th MAY 2026 – SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: - YEAR A

Date/Time	Celebration/Saint of the Day	Intentions
ST THOMAS Sat 16th	SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (The Vigil)	17.00 Faustina & Family Ints
Sun 17th	SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	09.00 Gabrielle Doran (Bday Ints) 11.00 Kevin Ward (ANN) Mary Moatt (RIP)
Mon 18 th	FERIA	08:00 William Dommersnes (P.Ints)
Tues 19th	FERIA	09.00 Missa Pro Populo
Wed 20th	FERIA	09.00 Willie Waldock (Birthday Ann)
Thurs 21st	NO PUBLIC MASS TODAY	**
Fri 22nd	FUNERAL MASS	11:30 Esther E. Brennan
ST THOMAS Sat 23rd	PENTECOST (The Vigil)	17.00 Mary Cunningham (RIP ANN) Phyliss Cunningham (RIP ANN)
Sun 24th	PENTECOST SUNDAY	09.00 Missa Pro Populo 11.00

CHURCH CLEANING:

Group 2. Margaret Rubery. New Volunteers would be welcomed.

CONFESSIONS:

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

WEEKLY COLLECTION:

10.05.26: £367.38 Second Collection Bishops Admin Fund £182.28 Thank you for your generous offerings.

PRAY WITH POPE LEO XIV:

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

FURNITURE BANK – NORTHAMPTON CARITAS:

provides essential furniture and household items including beds, storage, chairs, bedding, flooring, and cooking utensils to families and individuals in real need. Can you help? Donating furniture/Volunteering to help/Collect and distribute items? More information contact: Deacon Jim Hannigan 07756 685220 Email: deaconjimhannigan@northamptondiocese.org Website: northamptondiocese.org/caritas

PRAYER: Heavenly Father, as Your Son prayed for His disciples, unite us in faith, love, and truth. Protect Your Church and strengthen us to live as one in Christ. Fill our hearts with hope and prepare us to receive the Holy Spirit, that we may boldly proclaim the Gospel to all people. Amen.

WORLD COMMUNICATION DAY: Next Sunday, there will be a second collection in support of Catholic Communications Network, to mark World Communications Day. It is usually celebrated on the Sunday before Pentecost. Pope Paul VI established the Day in 1967 in the wake of the Second Vatican Council as an annual celebration that encourages reflecting on the opportunities and challenges that the media offer and how the Church can better communicate the Gospel message.

MASS BOOKINGS: Booking forms are in the church foyer. Please book in advance. Please ensure you print your Name; Intention and Contact clearly.

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.



SAINT OF THE WEEK: On Friday we celebrate Saint Rita of Cascia (born Margherita Ferri Lotti; 1381 – 22 May 1457). She is known as the patron saint of impossible causes because of her remarkable life of patience, forgiveness, and trust in God. Married to a difficult husband, she responded to suffering with prayer and kindness, eventually leading him to conversion before his death. After losing her husband and sons, she entered religious life and devoted herself to Christ in humility and sacrifice. Saint Rita teaches us that holiness is possible even amid pain and disappointment. Her life reminds Christians to persevere in prayer, forgive others sincerely, and trust God even when situations seem hopeless or beyond human understanding.

INFANT BAPTISM: A child will be baptised Sunday at the 11am Mass.

MAY, THE MONTH OF MARY: The month of May offers us a privileged opportunity for drawing closer to the Holy Spirit. How? By approaching the Blessed Virgin Mary with the piety of children. If we want to draw ever closer to the Holy Spirit and let him act in our souls we should let ourselves be guided by the hand of Mother Mary who, by virtue of her divine motherhood and her fullness of grace, a living Temple of the most Holy Trinity and Spouse of the Paraclete.

PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM FOR THE SANCTITY OF LIFE – SATURDAY 1ST AUGUST 2026 - Led by Bishop Peter Collins (East Anglia). Cost of coaches-Adults £27.00, children, teenagers and students £8.00. **Seats reserved only with payment.** For more information see www.prolifepilgrimage.org. To book, kevin.drew@btinternet.com or call 07802 525581.