

NEWSLETTER: ST MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH, LUTON

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07th SEPTEMBER 2025 - Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - YEAR C

Date/Time	Celebration/Saint of the Day	Intentions
ST THOMAS Sat 06th	TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (The Vigil)	17.00 Marsie Cunningham (RIP)
Sun 07th	TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	09.00 11.00
Mon 08th	NO PUBLIC MASS TODAY	**
Tues 09th	Feria	09.00 Agnes McGarrigle (Int)
Wed 10th	Feria	09.00 Holy Souls
Thurs 11th	NO PUBLIC MASS TODAY	**
Fri 12th	Feria	09.00
ST THOMAS Sat 13th	THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS (The Vigil)	17.00
Sun 14th	THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS	09.00 11.00

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.

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

WEEKLY COLLECTION: Weekend 30/31st August: £383.64. Thanks for your generous offerings.

PRAY WITH THE POPE: Pope Leo XIV's prayer intention for the month of September: let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

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 08.09.2025:

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.

THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (September 08th): Why does the Catholic church celebrate the birth of Mary? Saint Augustine described the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary as an event of cosmic and historic significance, and an appropriate prelude to the birth of Jesus Christ. According to him, "She is the flower of the field from whom bloomed the precious lily of the valley, (Jesus Christ our Lord)". A closer examination of the life of our Blessed Mother highlights the honour and dignity that God has bestowed upon women by choosing her to bear His Son. This divine choice signifies that women need not vie with men for superiority or equality; rather, they are inherently equal due to our shared humanity. However, women enjoy a unique status of honour through Mary's intimate relationship with Christ. On Monday we not only commemorate the birth of the Mother of our Savior but also honour all women who see her as a beacon of faith, motherhood, and feminine strength. Additionally, we recognize the men who honour women as sisters, mothers, and wives. May the Blessed Virgin Mary intercede for our world and obtain for us renewal and salvation through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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.



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/>

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.