



The Parish of St Michael, the Archangel, Huntingdon

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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

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SATURDAY	7th February: Vigil Mass
18.00	Mass Fr David Manson +
SUNDAY	8th February
08.30	Mass Antonio Castro +
(LS) 10.00	Mass For the people of our parish
(LS) 11.30	Mass Angelina Faria +
15.30	Mass in Polish
MONDAY	9th February:
(LS) 13.00	Funeral Mass: David Burns +
TUESDAY	10th February:
	St Scholastica
	No Mass today
WEDNESDAY	11th February:
	Our Lady of Lourdes
(LS) 09.30	Mass Francis Kannamaly +
16.30	Mass at Hinchingsbrooke Hospital
THURSDAY	12th February: Feria
(LS) 09.30	Mass Carlos, Gome & Joana +
FRIDAY	13th February: Feria
(LS) 09.30	Mass Custodio, Aurelia & Joana +
SATURDAY	14th February:
	Sts Cyril & Methodius
	No morning Mass today
	Vigil Mass at St Michael's 18.00

Please park in Riverside car park, across the road, not in the streets behind the church. This also applies if you come to evening events in the Church.

SUNDAY COLLECTION: in the orange buckets near the doors & the card reader in the GS Room.

FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAMME continues on **Thursday 26th February at 18.00** in the GS Room, please try to be on time for the class.

FR PHILIP'S RETIREMENT: I hope you will come for the farewell international shared lunch on **Sunday 8th February** at the Commemoration Hall, High Street, Huntingdon at 13.00.

Your prayers are asked for:

Our parishioners who are sick: Rita Anand, Ray Biju Antony, Arthurs, Jane Barker, Francesca Bastow, Purgi Bloomfield, Eileen Dolan, Bridget Gaynor, Helene Harrison, Molly Hazell, Anthony Hunt, Patrick Moore, Anne McGovern, Paul Reddington, Rita Swann, Yoli Wells, Fr Ivan Weston, Ann Wilson. May the Lord reach out his healing hand to them.

For those whose anniversaries occur this week: Lawrence Daye, Henry Kelsey, David Morgan, Maria Burbidge, Ingeborg Rainsford, Elizabeth Allen, Harold Morrell, Frances Stoll, Stephen Nesbitt, Imelda Brinkley, Maureen Luxton, Pamela Rossiter, Michael Keating, Timothy Handley, Bridget Murphy, Edmund Rossiter & Alma O'Reilly. May they rest in peace.

Nation Cycle of Prayer: during Ordinary Time up to the Season of Lent: please remember these intentions in your prayers: peace on earth; Christian unity; openness to the Word of God; victims of trafficking; the sick and those who care for them and those who are unemployed.

If you are going into hospital, please let Fr Philip know so he can visit. We do not always get the names of patients & can miss you if you do not tell us where they are. Thank you.

VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING & SLAVERY: this Sunday is a day of prayer for those trafficked & kept in modern slavery in our own society. The number of enslaved souls currently **estimated** to be living in East Anglia is 5,000. We must learn (simply) to spot the signs & safely report **any** concerns to the Modern Slavery Helpline 08000 121 700. Go to our Diocesan website, Modern Slavery - Catholic Diocese Of East Anglia or watch "Shady Chocolate" or "The dark side of chocolate" on YouTube with your family. More details over.



PANCAKE SUPPER will be on **Tuesday 17th February** at 19.00, this will be a great opportunity for you to meet Fr Peter, it will be his second day in St Michael's, please come and make him welcome. Hot dog supper and pancakes for Shrove Tuesday, please bring your own drinks. Tickets are on sale next week, adults £5.00 and children under 14 £3.00, book the date and be sure to get your tickets.

FEAST OF ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA, a Sudanese woman who was canonised by Pope St John Paul II in 2000. She was sold into slavery, rescued and then became a nun in Italy.

The number of enslaved souls currently **estimated** to be living all around East Anglia is 5,000. Pope Francis wanted us to "find" enslaved people. All that means is learning (simply) to spot the signs and safely report **any** concerns to the Modern Slavery Helpline 08000 121 700. The group of Diocesan Freedom Watchers is looking for your help in several ways. Contact john_simong@hotmail.com Search "RCDEA slavery" to learn more and **how** you can help. All you need is a desire to end slavery.

Here are some of the **slavery types** found in East Anglia, or in our county.

Forced labour: agriculture, picking fruit & vegetables, food packing. Car washes: Care Homes: Construction sites: Domestic Servitude e.g. Mo Farah: Factories – clothing, fast fashion Factories - food processing: Nail Bars: Restaurants: Shops: Waste Disposal - manual sorting of waste materials.

Forced Prostitution, advertised online: Pop up brothels in your neighbourhood: Sexual exploitation in hotel rooms: Coercing children into sharing indecent self-images or videos: Child Online Sexual Exploitation: 1 in 12 children globally: Forced porn being forced to act, in pornography.

Forced criminal activity (49% are children) Drugs running esp. in County Lines, in schools: Pickpocketing e.g. on tube trains: Organised Shoplifting of high value items: Cannabis Farming in dwellings or Commercial Property: Cuckooing, shortly to be an offence: Benefit Fraud: Selling counterfeit goods such as sunglasses, DVDs: Bag or phone snatching: ATM theft: Forced Begging & scamming: Forced organ harvesting, one case in Huntingdon, highlighted by the BBC child for surgery at Royal Free Hospital.

PILGRIMAGE OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE: during the **summer 2026** our pilgrimage to Lourdes marking 50 years of our Diocese. During the **summer 2027** World Youth Day in Seoul. Find out more on **Sunday February 22nd** at Parish Centre, 14 Exeter Road, Newmarket CB8 8LT, 13.00 (please bring a packed lunch) to 15:00 details at www.rcdea.org.uk/youth Details on both boards.

Last Sunday Collection

Huntingdon:	£320.83
Standing Orders	£520.00
Dona	£278.00
Total	£1,118.83



Thank you for your generous support of our parish community.

COFFEE MORNING coffee morning as usual this week, after Mass on Wednesday; all welcome for a drink and a chat.

CLEANERS THIS WEEK: members of the Filipino community by **Saturday 14th February**. Thanks.

FAREWELL: I will be here for the Masses next weekend and hope to see you then to bid farewell. **Fr Peter Raj** will move into the parish on **Monday 16th February**, and begin his ministry with you. I am sure you will make him very welcome and help him to get used to a new parish and a new ministry.

LISTENING & PRAYER MINISTRY:
<http://rcdea.org.uk/listening-and-prayer/>

May God's blessing be with you and all your family this week.



Be these.

Matthew 5:13-16