**ST PETER APOSTLE CHURCH, RUSHDEN**

Parish Priest: Rev Joe Walsh

Tel: 01933 353649

Deacon: Rev Peter Remmington

Parish Secretary: Charmaine: Tue to Thu: 10am - 2pm

Email: parish.stpeterrushden@northamptondiocese.org

Website: [https://rushdencatholicchurch.co.uk/](https://rushdencatholicchurch.co.uk/index.php/weekly-newsletter/)

Twitter:  [www.twitter.com/rushdencatholic](http://www.twitter.com/catholicrushden)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/StPeterApostleRCChurchRushden](http://www.facebook.com/StPeterApostleRCChurchRushden)

**1st JANUARY 2023 – YEAR A**

 **MARY MOTHER OF GOD**

**MASS BOOK:** Page 109

**PREFACE:** Page 67 Preface 1 Of the BVM

**EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**: Number 1

**MYSTERY OF FAITH:** When we eat this Bread…

**Sat:** 6:30pm - Holy Souls

**Sun:** 10:00am - People of St Peter’s living & deceased

**Tue:** 9:30am - Holy Souls

**Wed:** 7:30am - Holy Souls

**Thu:** 9:30am - Holy Souls

**Fri:** **Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord**

 9:30am - Holy Souls

 7:30pm - People of St Peter’s living & deceased

**Sat:** 6:30pm - Holy Souls

**Sun:** 10:00am - People of St Peter’s living & deceased

Rosary: Wednesday 7:10pm

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Polako, Rose Butler, Irene Ridley, Sara Tomkins, Frank Cross, Cyryl Samsonink, Mary Letts, Michael Hogan, Anne Saddington, Hugh Murray, Angela Clifford, Peter Cotter, Bridget (Bridie) Nolan, Teodor Pieczko, Encanacion Moreno.

**People who need our prayers:** Bill H, Patsy, Sophie, Neil & family, Ida and Roberto, Bernie, the Mutiswa family, Terry M, Christopher & Edith, Jason & Naomi and Faye, Merin, Serine, Katherine, Anne, Anna, Austin, Jenny, Nora, Laura and her children and husband, Eva, Bill P, the Collett family, Helena, Kevin B the Schiff & Abels family, June, Julie, baby Cullen, Veronica, Wendy, James, Dan, Gilbert, and Lisa.

**CLERGY CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS:** May I thank you all most sincerely for your generous donations to the collection at Christmas and on behalf of Deacon Peter and myself, our grateful thanks for the many cards and gifts.

**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD:** The feast is celebrated on January 6th, this Friday, and is a Holyday of Obligation.

**LIVING FAITH:** We are still waiting for the January to March issue of the daily scripture booklets to arrive.

**CHRISTMAS CARDS:** Your card may be in the box in church; please check and collect.

**FOODBANK DONATIONS:** There is a comprehensive list of requested items at the back of church; for example tinned meat & fish, peas and carrots, jam, coffee, shampoo - please see list. **No other items** please are at present required.

**FYNNIUS FOGG:** Are in concert in the Parish Hall on Saturday, January 21st at 7:45pm to raise funds for Encompass, who run the local food banks, homeless provision and addiction recovery service. Tickets are £10 per person from 01933 313456 or email: [remcsm@gmail.com](remcsm%40gmail.com)

Fynnius Fogg play 60s and 70s pop music to raise money for good causes and were awarded the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service in 2019. Entry includes soft drinks and light refreshments.

**CHILDREN’S ROSARY PRAYER GROUP:** Will meet on Saturday January 7th at 10am in church. All are welcome

**CALLING ALL YOUNG PEOPLE:** The next LUX event will take place on the weekend of February 3rd-5th at the King’s Park Conference Centre, Northampton where the theme will be LUX.Flawless. The event is open to anyone from Year 7 and up, aged 11-18 years old and costs £120 inclusive of accommodation, all weekend meals and all activities. More information can be found at <www.nymo.org/lux>

**A BIG THANK YOU:** To all who helped make Christmas 2022 special in church for all of us; for the team who helped with the PowerPoint slides, church cleaners, money counters, flower arranging teams, the two Cribs and Christmas tree arrangers and the altar server teams who served so well. A big thank you to you all.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023:** Preparation will be starting in January 2023. If a member of your family is in year 3 and will be eight years old by June/July next year, can you please contact the Parish Office with the name and contact number. Alternatively leave details on the list at the back of the church.

**NEW QR CODE FOR ST PETER APOSTLE RUSHDEN**



Donations can now be made using our new QR code or by using the following link: <https://donate.mydona.com/st-peter-apostle-rushden>

All major payment types accepted. Payments are safe and secure.

**Moveable Feasts of the Year - 2023**

 Baptism of the Lord………………...January 8th

 Ash Wednesday………………….....February 22nd

 Easter Triduum……………….….….April 6th - 8th

 Easter Sunday………………………April 9th

 Ascension of the Lord…………......May 18th

 Pentecost……………………………May 28th

 Trinity Sunday…………… ……….. June 4th

 Corpus Christi……………………... June 11th

 Sacred Heart of Jesus……………. June 16th

 Christ the King………………….…..November 26th

**Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel**

1. The story tells us that the shepherds helped Mary to realise the significance of the child born to her. She treasured their words and pondered their meaning. *Who have been the people who have helped you to understand the meaning of significant events in your life? Remember them gratefully.*

2. We are told that Mary ‘pondered these things in her heart’. What part has prayerful reflection on life played for you? How has it been helpful to you in deepening your appreciation for the gift of life?

**ADORATION:** Tuesday from 10:15am to 5pm.

Wishing you God’s blessings For a Happy New Year Fr Joe and Deacon Peter