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**6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> September 2025**  
**23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Year C**

#### OUR PARISH LITURGY THIS WEEK

Saturday	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	9.00am	Tony Smith RIP
	11.00am	Tim Connolly RIP
Monday	<b>The Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>	
	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>Holy Hour</b>
7.00pm	Carmela & Bettina Restaino RIP	
Tuesday	<b>Tuesday of week 23 in Ordinary Time</b>	
10.00am	Richard Mitchell Jr RIP	
Wednesday	<b>No Mass</b>	
Thursday	<b>Thursday of week 23 in Ordinary Time</b>	
<b>10.00am</b>	Marie Kennedy RIP Requiem Mass	
Friday	<b>No Mass</b>	
Saturday	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	9.00am	Paul & Ian Mann RIP
	11.00am	Lorraine Flanagan RIP

**CONFESSIONS: 5.00pm Saturdays, or by appointment.**

**NEXT SUNDAY: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

**If you own a Catholic Truth Society Missal page: 1052**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** O Lord, you have been our refuge, from generation to generation.

**MAY SHE REST IN PEACE**

**Marie Kennedy RIP: Requiem Mass on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 10.00am.**

**Please remember the family in your prayers.**

#### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION:

**OFFERTORY: £ 1200.17**  
**STANDING ORDERS: £ 220.26**  
**TOTAL: £ 1420.43**

**RESTORATION: £262.30**

**Thank you to all who generously support the parish financially.**

#### Next Sunday Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Next Sunday we celebrate the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. This Feast reminds us of God's commitment to his people, revealed most dramatically in the suffering of his Son on the Cross. We are called to reflect that it is through his sacrifice that Jesus overcame the darkness of sin and death. May we draw closer to the Lord as we join in the powerful refrain;

**Behold the wood of the Cross,  
On which hung the Salvation of the world.**

#### PARISH CATHOLIC SCHOOLS:

St Brendan's Primary School: Beanfield Avenue, NN18 0AZ TEL. NO.01536 202491  
[www.stbrendansprimaryschool.co.uk](http://www.stbrendansprimaryschool.co.uk)

St Patrick's Primary School: Patrick Road, NN18 9NT Tel. no. 01536 744447  
[www.stpatrickprimaryschool.com](http://www.stpatrickprimaryschool.com)

## PARISH NOTICES

**FRIDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER:** In 2 weeks' time our three Parishes in Corby will formally amalgamate with Fr Mark becoming Parish Priest and Fr Liam assisting him. This is a big change and Fr Mark encourages us to embrace it, to support each other and to face the future confidently as we take on this new and exciting mission. This will be first time the Corby parishes have formally joined together. In preparation we will have a Holy Hour this Monday at 6.00pm at St Brendan's, before the 7.00pm Mass; placing our trust in the Lord. We also ask for the intercession of our Patron Saints.

**THE COMING TOGETHER OF THE CORBY PARISHES.** Fr Mark is aware that people have questions concerning the merging of the parishes in Corby. We plan to have 2 meetings: **Thursday 11th September** at Our Lady's Church at 7.00pm, **Monday 15th September** at St Brendan's Church at 7.00pm. Parishioners from the 3 Churches are more than welcome to attend either or both meetings. In addition, Fr Mark will outline what was discussed at the meetings on Tuesday morning 16th September after the 10.00am Mass at St Brendan's. Unfortunately, Fr Liam is now unable to attend the meeting on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September.

**BLESSING OF THE GRAVES:** Will take place on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September at 11.00am. Co-op Darley Dale will very kindly supply refreshments.

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?** If anyone is interested in knowing more about the Catholic Faith then we will be starting the RCIA/Journey in Faith Group at the end of September on a Monday evening at St Brendan's Church after the 7pm Mass. It is an opportunity for people to come and reflect on the faith in a relaxed setting. We will start the journey on **Monday 29th September** in the parish room at St Brendan's. If you know someone who may be interested encourage them to come along or offer to come with them.

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION:** We are going to follow the practice recommended by the diocese for children for First Holy Communion and Confirmation to be prepared within the parish by parish catechists and supported by the clergy. So for the children who are looking to celebrate the sacraments next year we will prepare them, those in Catholic Schools and those in State Schools, within the parish. This will consist of one Saturday morning a month and the classes will be held at St Patrick's Primary School. We will give dates and times in the next few weeks. I know this is a major change and we will be asking the families to commit to the programmes. **There will be a meeting on Tuesday 30th September at 7.00pm in St Brendan's Church (Beanfield Avenue, NN18 0AZ) for parents of children who are planning to celebrate First Communion and there will be a meeting on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at Our Lady's Church (Occupation Road, NN17 1EE) for those who are planning to celebrate Confirmation.** It is important for families who are planning to celebrate the sacraments next year to see it within the context of a living faith as a way of deepening their love for God and their commitment to the Church. Central to this is the importance of Sunday Mass where we encounter the Lord in the most profound way. As we know, parents are the primary teachers of their children in the ways of faith and the parish and Catholic schools support and encourage you in that great responsibility. Let us hope and pray that we can all grow in our faith together.

**CANONISATION OF CARLO ACUTIS & PIER GIORGIO FRASSATI:** This coming Sunday, 7 September, will be a truly historic moment in the life of the Church. In Rome, Blessed Carlo Acutis will become the first Millennial to be canonised, a powerful witness to the holiness possible in our own time. He will be canonised alongside Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, a shining example of youthful faith and charity in the early 20th century. Together, these saints remind us of the vitality and missionary zeal of young people, and their canonisation will be a great encouragement to the Church across generations. Read more: <https://northamptondiocese.org/home-page/carlo/>

**TERMINALLY ILL ADULTS BILL – CALL TO PRAYER AND ACTION:** Archbishop John Sherrington has strongly opposed the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill, warning that it threatens care homes, conscience rights, and the vulnerable.

He urges Catholics to:

- Pray for the protection of life
- Write to members of the House of Lords
- Support investment in palliative care