THE PARISHES OF HOLY CROSS AND OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF BESTWOOD, BULWELL AND HUCKNALL.

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THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 20TH/21ST JANUARY 2024 MASS TIMES, SERVICES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Suggested Donation for Newsletter 20p

SCHOOLS SERVING OUR PARISH

Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Bulwell

lead Teacher — Mrs Sarah Sweeney McGinty

Head Teacher-Mrs. Tammie McNamara

Head Teacher — Mr. Matthew Shenton

Head Teacher — Mrs. Fiona Wadsley

St Margaret Clitherow, Bestwood

PRIMARY SCHOOLS

0115 9150500

0115 9150296 Holy Cross, Hucknal

0115 9534577 SECONDARY SCHOOLS

0115 9296251

0115 9556262

Trinity School, Aspley

Christ The King, Arnold Head Teacher — Miss Jo Love

SATURDAY - VIGIL OF THE THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	20th	11.00am	OUR LADY'S	Baptism of Chinenyenwa Obiakor and Wandipa & Manatsa Kandengwa
		5.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Margaret Doyle RIP
SUNDAY - THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	21st	9.00am	HOLY CROSS	Welfare of Vivien Flynn
		11.00am	OUR LADY'S	Marie Monique Grivon RIP
		12.30pm	Our Lady's	Baptism of Chidiebere Ude
Monday—feria	22nd			
TUESDAY - FERIA	23rd	9.30am	OUR LADY'S	Catherine & John Heraghty RIP
		6.30pm	OUR LADY'S	Eph'pha'tha Healing Service
WEDNESDAY – SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES, BISHOP	24th	11.00am	HOLY CROSS	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
& DOCTOR (MEMORIAL)		12 noon	HOLY CROSS	People of the Parish
THURSDAY - THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL	25th	9.30am	OUR LADY'S	Michael Sweeney RIP & Irene McQuillan RIP
(FEAST)		10.00am	OUR LADY'S	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
FRIDAY - SAINTS TIMOTHY & TITUS, BISHOPS	26th	9.30am	HOLY CROSS	School Community
(MEMORIAL)		7.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Divine Mercy Chaplet
SATURDAY - VIGIL OF THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF	27th	5.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Patrick & Bridget Doyle RIP
THE YEAR		6.00pm	Our Lady's	Filipino Community - Novena
SUNDAY - FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	28th	9.00am	HOLY CROSS	May Kavanagh
DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR RACIAL JUSTICE		11.00am	OUR LADY'S	Margaret Doyle RIP

MINDFUL MERCIFUL CAFÉS

HOLY CROSS will be open again on Wednesday 31st January at 9.30am in the meeting room. OUR LADY'S every Thursday 10am—12.30pm in the Parish Hall. EVERYONE WELCOME.

HOLY CROSS CHURCH—READER January 28th - Paul Glover HOLY CROSS CHURCH—WELCOMERS January 28th - Olimpia & Ciprian Blaj HOLY CROSS CHURCH CLEANING January 28th - Charles & Patricia Nyarkoh

OUR LADY'S CHURCH-READERS Saturday January 27th - Filipino Community

Sunday January 28th – Ngozi Okochi OUR LADY'S CHURCH-WELCOMERS Saturday January 27th - Filipino Community

Sunday January 28th - Jane & Monica Maina, Gladys Gathira, Alexander Mirie

OUR LADY'S CHURCH CLEANING FOR JANUARY Team A (Teresa, Maram, Juliana, Chiamaka) REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS

Sunday January 28th–Jason Young

RECONCILIATION: Our Lady's Saturday 4.15pm—4.45pm: Holy Cross - Wednesday (after Mass)



Our next class for parents of children 6 years and under will take place on Saturday 3rd February 2024 @ 10.30am in Our Lady's Parish Hall. This class is for parishioners from both Holy Cross and Our Lady's. If you would like your child/children to be baptised, please email the office for a form. Completed forms need to be submitted to the office by Sunday 28th January 2024.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CAFOD

The Church relies on people getting involved. Our parish, our We welcome into the Christian Community, through the Sacrament of community, our world needs you. Could your New Year's resolution Baptism, Chinenyenwa Obiakor, Wandipa & Manatsa Kandengwa and be getting more involved in the life of our Church? Which aspects of Chidibere Ude. We congratulate their parents, Church brings you life or joy? Could you give a bit of time to help godparents and families. those parts flourish? **CAFOD**, the Catholic Agency for Overseas SECOND COLLECTION—SICK & RETIRED PRIESTS Thank you all for your generous donations to the collection. Development, is looking for people to give some time and join in its mission. Could you help in your parish, inspiring our Church to help ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT build a better world or by visiting our local schools? Maybe you could and Divine Mercy Chaplet will take place every Friday 7pm to 8pm in raise a voice and campaign for justice, or perhaps speak for CAFOD Our Lady's Church. Please do join us for this special time with the Lord. throughout the area? Could you support local volunteers or share SCRIPTURE GROUP your admin or people skills to help CAFOD keep costs low? Roles are There will be a meeting on St. John's Gospel on Wednesday 31st flexible to meet your availability, and full training and support are January at 7.00pm in the parish hall at Our Lady's. provided. See cafod.org.uk/Volunteer for more information or get in Everyone welcome to attend.

touch with Will, the local CAFOD worker, on <u>wcruddace@cafod.org.uk</u>

or 07710 094455. Or could you take part in The Big Lent Walk?

cafod.org.uk/walk

BIBLE STUDY MEETINGS - HOLY CROSS Please note that the Bible Study meetings at Holy Cross will continue this Tuesday 23rd January, at the usual time of 7.00pm.

PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS AT HOLY CROSS

This has now resumed at Michael's house every Sunday at 4.00pm. If you require a lift please ring Michael on 0115 9630925.

PETITION FOR CEASEFIRE IN GAZA

The petition for a permanent ceasefire in Gaza, which was signed by Holy Cross parishioners, was handed in to Mark Spencer, M.P. for Sherwood, who showed great appreciation for the effort and promised to forward the petition to the Foreign Secretary. He was sympathetic

to the arguments for an immediate ceasefire and the need for a debate on the issue in the House of Commons which he believes will take place, but in which he unfortunately won't be able to take part because of his ministerial role. Many thanks to all the parishioners who signed the petition.

DONA CARD READER MACHINE

We now have a Dona card reader in Our Lady's , Bulwell situated in the porch if you would like to use your payment card for your weekly offertory. It is very user-friendly; just follow the instructions on the screen. You are also able to gift aid your donation if you desire and you will only need to complete your details once if you use the same card for donations. We have this on a pilot scheme so we will decide

at the end of the six months if it is worthwhile to continue.

Are you looking for a way to live out your faith and serve your local

FOUNDATION GOVERNOR ST MARGARET CLITHEROW SCHOOL is an opportunity, ideal for Lent, to take up Pope Francis' invitation to become "a more synodal and missionary Church, a Church that community at the same time? If so, becoming a foundation adores God and serves the women and men of our time, going forth to governor could be just the thing for you. St Margaret Clitherow bring everyone the consoling joy of the Gospel". Published by Caritas Social Action Network, it comprises three sessions with suggested school is seeking to appoint a new governor. Foundation governors follow-up, either as a 'top up' or review of mission for existing parish play a vital role in maintaining and developing the Catholic groups, or perhaps to set the ball rolling on work for social justice. To find out more about running Do Justice locally please visit bit.ly/dojusticenottingham **OUR LADY'S LITURGY GROUP MEETING**

character of our schools. If you are interested or would like more information, please email: julie.sweeney@nottingham-des.org.uk

This coming Thursday 25th January at 7pm in church hall.

Hospital: If you know of anyone in hospital who would like a visit from a chaplain please contact Fr Slavic -RC Chaplin: 07773366120. or City Hospital: 0115 9691169 ext. 76187 or QMC Campus: 0115 9249924 ext. 83799

WEEKEND COLLECTION 13TH/14TH JANUARY: HOLY CROSS £295.64 S/O - £153 OUR LADY'S £671.35 S/O £540

SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES: Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Bulwell: Bridget Doyle Holy Cross, Hucknall: Rosaleen Walters 07513 725395 Diocesan Safeguarding Contact: Rachel Campion safeguarding@dioceseofnottingham.uk or telephone 0115 9539849

This Tuesday 23rd January, 6.30pm to 8pm at Our Lady's Church Bulwell NG6 9ES. Praise & Worship, Adoration of Blessed Sacrament & Healing Mass. Mass presided by Fr. John Martin. All welcome. A REFLECTION FROM POPE FRANCIS FOR THE YEAR OF PRAYER. THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

A hearing loop system is

available in both churches.

Please set your hearing aid to

'T' (Telecoil) setting in order

for it to work.

BAPTISM CLASS

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS

EPH'PHA'THA HEALING SERVICE

If during prayer we feel sluggish and empty, we must at that moment beg that Jesus' prayer also become our own. "I cannot pray today, I don't know what to do: I don't feel like it, I am unworthy". In this noment Jesus is before the Father, praying for us; let us trust in this! If we are trustful, we will then hear a voice from heaven, "You are God's beloved, you are a child, you are the joy of the Father in heaven". To read the full reflection and find more resources visit

Year of prayer (dioceseofnottingham.uk) HELP SUPPORT OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS

Over the coming weeks and months we will begin to prepare some of our children to receive Holy Communion for the first time. As a parish, we can all help support our children by setting a good example for them to follow. We can do this by ensuring we show a good level of respect and reverence when receiving Holy Communion ourselves and by observing a period of quiet after receiving Holy Communion until Father Richard starts the final prayer. This guiet time will allow the children and ourselves to reflect on the wonderful and precious gift we have just received. Please let us all come together as a parish and support our young people by setting a great example.

Thanking you in anticipation. God Bless, Deacon Martyn **DO JUSTICE: FOR PARISHES**