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

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 27TH/ 28TH JANUARY 2024 MASS TIMES, SERVICES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

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Suggested Donation for Newsletter 20p

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
MONDAY—FERIA	29th			
TUESDAY - FERIA	30th	11.00am	OUR LADY'S	Requiem Mass for Bernadette Mcphilbin RIP
WEDNESDAY – SAINT JOHN BOSCO, PRIEST	31st	11.00am	HOLY CROSS	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
(MEMORIAL)		12 noon	HOLY CROSS	May Kavanagh
THURSDAY - FERIA	1st	9.30am	OUR LADY'S	John & Rebecca Connolly RIP
		10.00am	OUR LADY'S	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
FRIDAY - THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD -	2nd		HOLY CROSS	No Mass
CANDLEMAS (FEAST)		7.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Divine Mercy Chaplet
SATURDAY - VIGIL OF THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	3rd	5.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Anne Fleming RIP & Michael Sweeney RIP
SUNDAY - FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	4th	9.00am	HOLY CROSS	Canon Anthony's recovery
		11.00am	OUR LADY'S	Shelley Doyle RIP & Peter Hickey RIP

MINDFUL MERCIFUL CAFÉS

HOLY CROSS will be open again this 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

February 4th - Lauren Whitehouse HOLY CROSS CHURCH—WELCOMERS

February 4th - Andy & Sally Butkevicius

HOLY CROSS CHURCH CLEANING

February 4th - Emmanuel & Esther Obasi

OUR LADY'S CHURCH—READERS

Saturday February 3rd - Alrica Sequeira Sunday February 4th - Chiara Albano **OUR LADY'S CHURCH—WELCOMERS**

Saturday February 3rd- Maram & David Gillott & family Sunday February 4th - Monica Kiernan & Janet Thornton

OUR LADY'S CHURCH CLEANING FOR FEBRUARY Team B (John, Madeleine, Stef & Eric) **REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS**

Sunday February 4th - Willow & Ruth

A hearing loop system is available in both churches. Please set your hearing aid to 'T' (Telecoil) setting in order for it to work.



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

BAPTISM CLASS



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 this Sunday 28th January 2024.

PLEASE PRAY FOR Please pray for the repose of the soul of

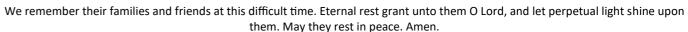
Bernadette Mcphilbin RIP who died recently. Her Requiem Mass will be held this

Tuesday 30th January at 11.00am at Our Lady's.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Catherine Kime RIP who died recently. Her Requiem Mass will be held on

Tuesday 6th February at 1.30pm at Our Lady's.



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

and Divine Mercy Chaplet will take place every Friday 7pm to 8pm in Our Lady's Church. Please do join us for this special time with the Lord.

YOUNG ADULTS' RETREAT

Jesus Youth is organising a Young Adults' Retreat for those aged 18-23 at The Briars, Matlock (DE4 5BW) on the weekend of 23rd -25th February. Come join us for this Catholic Youth Weekend, where we'll explore deeper into aspects of Gender and Identity through the core theme for the weekend, the reality that we are 'Created For Love'. To register, visit: https://forms.gle/2JCX9JWCQRBdi21g7

BIBLE STUDY MEETINGS - HOLY CROSS

Please note there will be NO Bible Study meeting this Tuesday. SCRIPTURE GROUP

There will be a meeting on St. John's Gospel on Wednesday 31st January at 7.00pm in the parish hall at Our Lady's.

Everyone welcome to attend.

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.

HELP NEEDED AT OUR LADY'S

We need strong volunteers please to move 3 pews down from the choir loft. If you can help, please contact the office with your details and Haydn Taylor will get in touch with you. **VACANCIES**

The Diocese of Nottingham is currently recruiting for a Land and **Buildings Officer** and for a **Compliance and Support Property** Officer. Details can be found on the poster at the back of church, or by visiting www. dioceseofnottingham.uk/careers. For more information contact Rachael Oxspring on 0115 953 9845.

The closing date is Monday 12th February. **FOUNDATION GOVERNOR ST MARGARET CLITHEROW SCHOOL**

Are you looking for a way to live out your faith and serve your local community at the same time? If so, becoming a foundation governor could be just the thing for you. St Margaret Clitherow school is seeking to appoint a new governor. Foundation governors play a vital role in maintaining and developing the Catholic character of our schools. If you are interested or would like more information, please email: julie.sweeney@nottingham-des.org.uk

NOTTINGHAM LIGHT NIGHT

As part of Nottingham's annual Light Night trail, come and experience the Cathedral as never before. Its breath-taking Gothic revival architecture will be illuminated; there will be live choral and organ performances throughout the evening; and the opportunity for families to make lanterns thanks to a new collaboration with Nottingham Playhouse. All are welcome on

Friday 2nd and Saturday 3rd February, 5.30 – 10.00pm.

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

CANON ANTHONY UPDATE

Canon Anthony is recovering from pneumonia at the moment. He is in Mansfield Community Hospital but hopes to move to his new home in Derby very soon once his after-care package is in place. He thanks everyone for their prayers and best wishes. Please continue to pray for a full and speedy recovery for Canon Anthony. He thanks Our Lady's school children in a special way for their wonderful spiritual bouquet of prayers.

A REFLECTION FROM POPE FRANCIS FOR THE YEAR OF PRAYER, **FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**

All human suffering is sacred to God. So prays the prayer of Psalm 56: "You have kept an account of my wanderings; you have kept a record of my tears! Are they not written in your book?" (v. 8). Before God we are not strangers, or numbers. We are faces and hearts, known one by one, by name. To read the full reflection and find more resources visit

Year of prayer (dioceseofnottingham.uk)

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

A spiritual challenge for Lent. During the past year there have been over 200,000 abortions in England and Wales. This means many lives lost; many women harmed; many families hurt. The Church tells us that abortion is wrong. But what can we as Christians do about it? 40 Days For Life is the answer. During Lent Christians will be praying outside the largest abortion clinic in Nottinghamshire. We will also be offering practical, compassionate and non-judgemental help to any woman who feels pressured into abortion so that she has a genuine pro-life alternative. And we will be witnessing to the power of prayer. Will you join us? If you would consider it, come to the launch of our campaign on Sunday 4th February at 3pm, in Cathedral Hall (NG1 5AE). You can find out about this spiritual movement spreading around the world and have a chance to hear Rachel MacKenzie. of Rachel's Vineyard, which offers spiritual healing to post-abortive women. More details are available at www.40daysforlife.com/Nottingham or email 40daysforlifenotts@gmail.com. Alone, we cannot change our society. But we are not alone!

'For with God nothing is impossible.' (Luke, 1:37)

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

WEEKEND COLLECTION 20TH/21ST JANUARY: HOLY CROSS £321.72 S/O - £153 OUR LADY'S £560.05 S/O £540

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