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

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THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA (FEAST) - 8TH/9TH NOVEMBER 2025 MASS TIMES. SERVICES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Suggested Donation for Newsletter 20p

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SATURDAY - VIGIL OF THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA (FEAST)	8th	5.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Margaret Dobbin RIP
SUNDAY - THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA (FEAST) REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY	9th	9.00am 11.00am 2.00pm	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S HOLY CROSS	Dr Ben D'Mello RIP Virginia Hardstaff RIP (8th Anniversary) Zimbabwean community Mass
MONDAY - SAINT LEO THE GREAT, POPE AND DOCTOR (MEMORIAL)	10th			
TUESDAY - SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS, BISHOP (MEMORIAL)	11th	9.30am	OUR LADY'S	Sid & Gina Ball RIP
WEDNESDAY - SAINT JOSAPHAT, BISHOP AND MARTYR (MEMORIAL)	12th	12noon	HOLY CROSS	Alan Ward RIP
THURSDAY - FERIA	13th	9.30am 10.00am 12noon	Our Lady's Our Lady's Holy cross	Sr Juliana's Intentions Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Funeral service for Susan Bach RIP
FRIDAY - FERIA	14th	7.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Divine Mercy Chaplet
SATURDAY - VIGIL OF THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	15th	5.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Brendan O'Boyle RIP
SUNDAY - THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	16th	9.00am 11.00am	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	Thanksgiving—Bill Flynn Birthday (80 years) Ivan Stanslaus RIP
DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR THE POOR				Baptism of Olive Ani & Chimkasi Ojinnaka during Mass

RECONCILIATION - Our Lady's - Saturdays 4.15 - 4.45pm Holy Cross - after Mass on Wednesdays

PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS IN OUR PARISH

HOLY CROSS

FRIENDS OF JESUS OF NAZARETH COMMUNITY

at Our Lady's church - Sunday at 4.00pm.

at Michael Hallam's house Sunday at 4.00pm. If you require a lift please ring 0115 9630925.

If you are unable to attend, you can join in by saying the Rosary and the following prayer to the Holy Spirit in your homes:

O Holy Spirit, pull down the barriers and take away those inhibitions that prevent or hold back those whom God the Father has chosen, and whom His Son Jesus has called to follow Him to serve in His Vineyard. Empower them with courage and steadfastness in Faith to respond to His call, to the glory and praise of the Most Holy Trinity. Amen.

SCRIPTURE GROUP

The next meeting on Revelation Chapters 10 & 11 will be held on Wednesday, 26th November at 7pm in Our Lady's Parish Hall.

BIBLE STUDY MEETINGS HOLY CROSS continues this week

Tuesday, 11th November at



THE LEGION OF MARY Our Lady's - Every Sunday after 11am Mass. Everyone welcome to join.

WORD OF THE WEEK: Remembrance: In our faith, remembrance is more than just remembering the past; it's about keeping our connection to God and to our loved ones alive. We remember the saints and martyrs who came before us, their examples guiding us on our own journey. We remember the sacrifices of Jesus and we remember those who have passed away, their love and influence continuing to shape us. Remembrance is a way to honour our past, cherish our present, and hope for our future.

Spend time in prayer to remember those people who are important to us and who are no longer with us.

MONASTERY UPDATE

As you may have heard, the former Poor Clare Monastery will be demolished. The Diocese has appointed J H Hicks Demolition Ltd to carry out the demolition, with works scheduled to begin around 1st December 2025 and expected to last approximately four months (including a short Christmas break). Throughout the works, every effort will be made to minimise disruption to parish life — noisy activities will be avoided during church services, funerals, and other parish events. The Parish Hall will remain open, and safety measures such as secure fencing, clear signage, and dust suppression will be in place. We are in discussion with the Diocese to see if we can retain the chapel which adjoins the Priest's sacristy of Our Lady's church for weekday Masses and other services.

REMEMBERING SERVICE

Our annual Remembering Service will take place on Sunday 16th November at 2.00pm at Our Lady's Church. Invitations have been sent to the relatives of all those whose funeral took place at Our Lady's or Holy Cross churches during the last twelve months. Anyone who would like to remember someone who has died during this year would be very welcome to join us. The names of all the deceased will be mentioned and candles lit for them.

BLESSING OF GRAVES

Sunday 9th November - 2pm at Carlton Cemetery. Meet with Fr Chris and Deacon Anthony at the Cemetery Chapel and they will go in pilgrimage around the cemetery and bless the graves of loved ones and pray for the repose of their souls.

Sunday 16th November - 2pm at Bulwell (Northern) Cemetery. Fr Joe Wheat will meet everyone at the chapel off Hempshill Lane for prayers, then blessing of family graves. Fr Joe will also bless graves at Highwood Cemetery on request on the day.

REMEMBERING LOVED ONES AT MASSES DURING NOVEMBER

During the month of November we will be remembering in our Masses all who have died. Please place the names of your loved ones, who you would like to be remembered, in a November Dead List envelope (available from the back of church) together with your offering. Names will then be placed on the altar and will be remembered during all Masses during the month.

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS TO CATHOLIC PRIMARY ACADEMIES (RECEPTION YEAR) - CHILDREN BORN BETWEEN 01/09/2021 AND 31/08/2022.

The deadline for submitting an application for a school place is 15th January 2026. Application forms are available on your 'home' Local Authority website. For every Catholic school you apply for, if you wish your child to be considered and ranked under a faith criterion, you should also complete a supplementary information form, and return this form to

the school by the deadline (forms are available from the LA and the school). You must also include the supporting evidence, as required with this form, ie a baptism certificate (photocopies are acceptable; contact the parish of baptism if you don't have a copy). Failure to supply the required supporting evidence will mean your child is ranked in a lower criterion which may affect your chance of a place.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

the repose of the soul of Susan Patricia Bach RIP who passed away on 15th October and whose funeral service will take place at Holy Cross Church on Thursday 13th November at 12 noon. We remember her family and friends at this difficult time. Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.

CATECHIST FORMATION PROGRAMMES

offered by the Diocesan Adult Formation for Mission Department begin next week; fuller details for those catechists who might wish to participate are included in the flyer at the back of church. For anyone who is interested in becoming a Catechist, this course is ideally suited. If you would like to register, please speak with Fr Richard or the office and we can arrange payment for the course.

OUR LADY'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

takes place on December 6th 7.00pm till 10.00pm in the parish hall. Let's celebrate the season together with good food, laughter and festive cheer. Bingo, quiz, raffle, music. Fun for all the family. Another great parish event. Free admission, tickets available at the back of church.

WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS

Please remember in prayer Gabriella Mutale & Onoriode Kofi-Ofuafor who were married at Holy Cross last Saturday. May their lives together be blessed with happiness and peace.

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR VACANCY

The parish of All Saints, Nottingham (NG8 3EP) is seeking to appoint a part-time, permanent **Parish Administrator**, working 10 hours per week (Mondays and Fridays), from a date to be agreed, and for £14.17 per hour. The parish is looking for someone with proven experience in administration and finance, ideally within parish, school, or charity settings. The successful applicant will play a key role in supporting parish operations and financial processes. For an informal conversation about the role, contact Canon Stanley Ofoegbu stanley.ofoegbu@dioceseofnottingham.uk or for an application form email office@dioceseofnottingham.uk

The closing date is Monday 17th November.

MINDFUL MERCIFUL CAFÉS

HOLY CROSS will be open again on Wednesday 26th November at 9.30am in the meeting room. OUR LADY'S meets every Thursday 10am—12.30pm in the Parish Hall. EVERYONE WELCOME.

HOLY CROSS HEATING FUNDRAISING

OCTOBER COLLECTION £303.84 Total raised to date: £9.922.18. NEXT SECOND COLLECTION FOR HEATING FUND - SUNDAY 30TH NOVEMBER

COLLECTIONS 1ST/2ND NOVEMBER

HOLY CROSS £407.32 S/O £233 OUR LADY'S £648.82 S/O £498

HOLY CROSS CHURCH READER

Sunday 16th November - Chris Wisniewski WELCOMERS

Sunday 16th November - Nnamdi & Fum Anyameluhor

CHURCH CLEANING Sunday 16th November - Coleen &

Rose Cash

READERS

Saturday 15th November - Teresa Doherty Sunday 16th November - Ngozi Okochi WELCOMERS Saturday 15th November - Teresa Doherty & Pauline Lynch Sunday 16th November - Jane Maina, Gladys Gathira, John Njoroge & Mike Muchene

OUR LADY'S CHURCH

OUR LADY'S CHURCH CLEANING FOR NOVEMBER Team B (John, Madeleine, Stef, Eric, Gloria and Claire)

REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS

Sunday 16th November - Albert, Ruth, Ben & Eucharia

A hearing loop system is

available in both

churches

Please set your hearing

in order for it to work

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