

JOHN VANIER R.I.P. The death of **JEAN VANIER** was announced last week and many reports of his death, in print and verbally, described him as a living saint. Jean Vanier was the founder of L'ARCHE, the international community for people with learning disabilities. His writings and spoken word, touched the lives and hearts of people all over the world and his deep spiritual reflections will have drawn many, many souls closer to God, and given all with disabilities, a special dignity and quality of life, that will have, and will in the future, allow them to take their place in life with pride, worth, and committed engagement, in work and recreational places, side by side, with men and women of all and every ability and contribution.

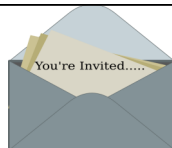


Cardinal Vincent Nichols said "For over half a century, he has inspired an entirely new appreciation of the gifts of people with learning disabilities, and revealed the most profound heart of human community."

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, who met Dr Vanier on a number of occasions said "Jean Vanier lived the Gospel in such a beautiful way, that few who met him, could fail to be caught up in it....The heart of his profound discipleship was to foster communities of love and fellowship, where people carry each others burdens, accept each others gifts and limitations - and find belonging, joy and healing."

Both quotes as printed in "The Tablet" of 11th May 2019.

AN INVITATION TO ANY ADULT WHO MAY HAVE MISSED OUT: If for some reason or another, you missed out on being confirmed when you were a teenager, but would like the opportunity of celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation now in your adult years, you are cordially invited to consider that wish. Please have a word with Judith Snaith or Fr Owen about the possibility. Special arrangements for the preparation and celebration will be made for you.



19th May 2019

Readers: 6.30pm: P Danks **10.00am:** A. Another; M McEvoy

Eucharistic Ministers: 6.30pm: ----- S Tacey N Tiney F Wilson V Winter

10.00am: ----- P Bebb R Blagburn A Brown K Crawford (Weekday B)

Counters: A Wade V English

Welcomers: 6.30pm: P Hamer M Hiron J Sperry

10.00am: J Davies C Wilson G Hill

Bidding Prayers: P Bebb

26th May 2019

Readers: 6.30pm: A Burgess **10.00am:** M Crook M Wells

Eucharistic Ministers: 6.30pm: ----- M Douglas P Green A Hall Mary Hall

10.00am: ----- Mike Hall S Jones W Kwacz J Lowe (Weekday A)

Counters: F Goodman B Goodman A Brisley

Welcomers: 6.30pm: B Coombs B Duffy E Duffy

10.00am: D Esler-Woodward T Kendrick C Reed

Bidding Prayers: J Snaith



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19th May 2019
Fifth Week of Easter
Psalter Week 1

Times of Services

Sunday: 5th of Easter

Sat.6.30pm Mass - Paul Motyk R.I.P.

8.30am Mass at Husbands Bosworth - The Parishioners

10.00am Mass - Sheila Bartlett R.I.P.

12noon - Baptism of Matilda & Arthur Smith

4.30pm - Final Service before closure of the Methodist Church in Husbands Bosworth

Monday: Easter Feria

9.45am Morning Prayer

10.00am Mass - Intentions of John & Marlis

12.30pm Cremation Service at Great Glen for Denis Bennett

Tuesday: Easter Feria

9.00am Mass - God's Blessings on Margaret Atkins

Rosary after Mass

Wednesday: Easter Feria

9.45am Morning Prayer

10.00am Mass - Margaret Cotter R.I.P.

Thursday: Easter Feria

9.43am Rosary

10.00am Mass - Frank Rogers R.I.P.

Friday: Easter Feria

11.00am - Funeral Service in Church for Teresa Davis, followed by burial at Market Harborough

6.45pm Prayer of the Church

7.00pm Mass - Private Intention (V.L.)

Saturday: St Bede the Venerable

NO MORNING MASS (Mass in the Prison)

12noon - Baptism of Jack & Daniel Cox

6.30pm 1st Mass of Sunday 26th - Nellie & Martin Grogan R.I.P.

Sunday: 6th of Easter

8.30am Mass at Husbands Bosworth - Personal Intention

10.00am Mass - The Parishioners

12noon - Baptism of Sharon Angelina Rogers

*I give you a new
commandment:
love one another.*



Confessions Saturday

11.00 - 11.30 am
5.30 - 6.00 pm.
& on request

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday
10.30—11.00 a.m.

OUR PRAYERS AND CONDOLENCE are offered to Victoria and Christopher Dunn, on the death of Victoria's brother, Andrew. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT: *We, the faith community of Our Lady of Victories Parish, with our values rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, accept our mission: to come together to worship God, to welcome everybody, to work with and in our local community as Christians in the Catholic tradition, in openness and fellowship with Christians in Churches Together in Market Harborough, to love, learn from, and support each other, in our spiritual growth, to witness to our faith in words, actions and compassionate service to others.*

SPECIAL MASS TODAY:

During the 10.00am Mass today, our children being prepared for their First Holy Communion, will be anointed with the "Oil of Gladness" to symbolise their specialness, their uniqueness, as God's gift to their parents

HOPING TO HAVE YOUR CHILD BAPTISED!

The next pre Baptism course for parents requesting Baptism for their newborn baby or expected baby will be on **Sunday 26th May** in the Kavanagh Room at 11am. That is following the 10am Mass. This preparation course is now required for all parents requesting Baptism. Please contact Fr Owen to register.



ANNUAL COFFEE MORNING: Saturday 8th June, the Third World Group will be holding its annual Coffee Morning in the Harborough Theatre between 9.00a.m. and 11.30a.m. As well as the pleasure of your company on the day, we would also be most grateful to receive prizes for the raffle and tombola, which can be placed in our box under the table in the cloister, and items such as cakes, scones, jams, etc. It would help our planning if you could let us know if you intending donating any of these latter items. You can contact Margaret at church, by phone 01858 446369 or email margaretatkins52@gmail.com.



EXPLORING OUR FAITH: Please note that a brief meeting will be held after 6.30pm Mass this Sunday (18th May) to plan for the next six month session of our home discussion group.

THANK YOU: Market Harborough Helping Refugees have expressed their thanks for supporting their recent appeal in Dunkirk.



LACY Working Group: There will be a meeting of the LACY Working Group at St. Mary's, South Wigston, LE18 4PG on **Wednesday 22nd May, 7.30 p.m.** We will be looking at and finalising the upcoming events and the opportunity to share new thoughts and ideas for future celebrations with our young people. Any one interested in offering help and ideas with this group would be most welcome. Let us inspire our young people to share Faith and Fun together. Would you like to be a LACY representative for your parish to assist in publicising and promoting the LACY activities? We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday 22nd May. More information? Contact Pauline at paulinepayne@hotmail.com.

JUBILEE FOODBANK: In recent weeks there have been some erroneous reports in the local social media, to the effect that the Jubilee food bank may be forced to close. The organisers are keen to stress that this is most certainly not the case and they plan to remain open, as long as there is a need. However, there has been a lot of pressure on their resources in recent weeks. Items currently in short supply:

Small bags of sugar,
Jars of jam, marmalade, peanut butter, meat or fish paste.
Tinned minced beef and onion, stewed steak, curry, chilli con carne.
Tinned ham, spam, bacon grill.
Tinned veg, (carrots, green beans, Brussels sprouts)
Tins of ravioli and macaroni cheese
Tins of fruit, pots of fresh fruit.
Packets of instant custard, tins of custard, cartons of ready to use custard.
Tins of rice pudding.



A DAY WITH MARY: At the Basilica of Our Lady of Walsingham National Shrine of England on Sunday 2nd June 2019. The day begins in the Basilica and concludes at the village of Walsingham. Starting at 11.40am with a Welcome at the Shrine by Mgr John Armitage and Crowning of Our lady of Walsingham, Mass, Lunch Break - **Please bring a packed lunch**, Exposition and outside procession of the blessed Sacrament, then to process from the Shrine along 'Pilgrims Way' to Friday Market, Walsingham praying the Luminous mysteries. Finishing for 6.00pm.



THE POSSIBILITY OF A COACH TO THE PRIESTLY ORDINATION OF DEACON JOHN OWENS AND DEACON LIAM CARPENTER: The Ordination to the Priesthood of Deacons John and Liam will be at our Cathedral Church in Nottingham on Saturday, July 6th at 11.30am. Our Bishop Patrick will be the Ordaining Bishop. Deacon John is very much part of the parish ministry at the present, and Deacon Liam was with us for a month in January/February 2016.

At our recent Parish Pastoral Council meeting, the possibility of arranging a coach to the Cathedral was encouraged. A list, to find out how many might be interested, was posted in the notice board and before any publicity, 23 names have already been pinned to that list. So the indication, very much at this point is, that many would like to go and a coach would be appreciated. **SO PLEASE** append your name to the list as soon as possible, if you would like to go. Obviously the numbers requesting to go, will determine the size and the cost of the coach. We will probably be leaving here at 9.15am and leaving Nottingham on our return at 3pm. Please don't put your name on the list, unless you definitely intend going. Otherwise you might deprive somebody else of the opportunity and also effect the costs involved. The Parish Council have also agreed to the purchase and presentation of a Chalice to Deacon John. Deacon John, or Fr John as he will be after his ordination will celebrate his **First Mass** here at the 10am Mass on the Sunday morning, July 7th and Fr Liam, as he will be then is celebrating his **First Mass** at Holy Cross, Leicester at 3pm on Sunday 7th July. More info on all of the above, when to hand.