

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN HARBOROUGH ECUMENICAL LENT GROUPS 2019: This year, CTH will once again be holding Lent groups across the area. We will be following the York Course - 'Daring to see God now'. Lent groups leaders will be from across the churches following a fully formed, well described leaders booklet. Please indicate on the sign up form if you are happy to carry out this role. Additionally, we will be looking for people to host in their homes. Again, if you are willing to sign up for this, please indicate on the form. It is expected that hosts and leader will be different people! Please sign up by 31st January. Group info will be communicated mid February. Any queries, please contact CTH LENT Group co-ordinator, Di Evans by email: di.evans13@sky.com or answer phone on 01858 466088. Churches Together in Harborough invited you to fill in a form from <https://goo.gl/nOqFnNyQNV9aZQT2>. These can be returned either by email or by taking to the Baptist Church or contact on the above telephone number.

KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA: Someone has just asked me, "What do the Knights do?" The question should have been, "What do the Knights; their wives; their widows and the friends of the knights do, because that is the working team. Throughout the year we hold charity events which last year, you generously supported to the tune of £1,858.00. You can see how we spent this cash to support a variety of causes by looking on the Knights notice board situated by the side of the entry into the sacristy. Besides this charity giving, we give helpful service, doing whatever Fr Owen, our chaplain, asks of us. So, every Sunday for example you will find one of us at the Church door, as security during the Mass. This Christmas you may have noticed the art work from St Joseph's, the winners of a competition organised by the Knights, an event that the whole school takes part in. Chocolate teddy bears were the prizes this year. We also ensured that chairs were put out for all of the Christmas Masses. Did you notice the Christmas tree that shines out to passers-by, in the foyer, or the only nativity scene in the high street in Santander? Did you get a Christmas poster? They are supplied by the Knights to all the churches together. The Victory prize draw gives three prizes every month but is a fund dedicated to the education of priests and deacons both in our diocese and in Kumasi in Ghana. **Please re-new your membership now and if you are not yet a member think about joining. It costs £1 a month and contributes to a very worthwhile cause. We also need new members both for full membership of the Knights and also for the 'friends,' This year 2019 is a centenary celebration for the Knights of St Columba, please think about giving service alongside the existing team.**

20th January 2019

Readers: 6.30pm: M Atkins 10.00am: H Powell G Powell
Eucharistic Ministers: 6.30pm: J Shellard J Snaith N Tiney B Stewart S Tacey
 10.00am: B Spicknell F Wilson V Winter D Bebb P Bebb (Weekday A)
Counters: J Rowland M Rowland A N Other
Welcomers: 6.30pm: J Southern D Bennett A Simpson
 10.00am: J McManus C Brown J Matthews
Bidding Prayers: P Bennett-Smith

27th January 2019

Readers: 6.30pm: M Mihovilovic 10.00am: S Simkins M McEvoy
Eucharistic Ministers: 6.30pm: R Blagburn A Brown K Crawford M Douglas P Green
 10.00am: A Hall Mary Hall Mike Hall S Jones W Kwacz (Weekday B)
Counters: A Wade P Rea
Welcomers: 6.30pm: E Brown J Lowe I Lamarra
 10.00am: K Shiers Y Shiers J Shellard
Bidding Prayers: P Danks



Our Lady of Victories

Market Harborough

20th January 2019
 Week 2 of Ordinary Time
 Psalter Week 2

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 Diocese of Nottingham: Company Number 7151646 Charity Number: 1134449
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 Parish Accountant: Angela Wade: 0777 322 9041
 Parish Gift Aid Organiser: Stephen McGlone 01858-465939
 Parish Pastoral Council Members: see photos on notice board

Times of Services

Sunday: 2nd of Ordinary Time

Sat.6.30pm Mass - Richard Blencowe R.I.P.
 8.30am Mass at Husbands Bosworth - The Parishioners
 10.00am Mass - Michael Clarke R.I.P.
 11.00am Pre Baptismal Preparation Course

Monday: St Agnes

9.45am Morning Prayer
 10.00am Mass - James Aitken R.I.P. & Dorothy & Sam Springer R.I.P.

Tuesday: Feria

9.00am Mass - Deceased members of the Nowakowski family
 Rosary after Mass

Wednesday: Feria

9.45am Morning Prayer
 10.00am Mass - Wellbeing of Ben & Jen
 2.00pm Funeral Service for Mary Frossi

Thursday: St Francis de Sales

9.40am Rosary
 10.00am Mass - Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion
 11.30am Fr Owen attending a funeral in Lincoln

Friday: The Conversion of St Paul, Apostle

N.B. 9.45am Morning Prayer of the Church
 10.00am Mass - Sally McCormack R.I.P. (Anniv)
 11.30am Funeral Service for Brian Davies

N.B. NO EVENING MASS

Saturday: Sts Timothy and Titus

NO MORNING MASS (Mass in the Prison)
 6.30pm 1st Mass of Sunday 27th - Stella Yarsley R.I.P. (5th Anniv)

Sunday: 3rd of Ordinary Time

8.30am Mass at Husbands Bosworth - The Parishioners
 10.00am Mass - God's blessings on Julian, just ordained a Deacon

*This was the first
 of the signs given
 by Jesus: it was
 given at Cana in
 Galilee.*



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:

1. Jo Davies and family on the death of Jo's husband ,Brian.
2. To the family of Mary Frossi R.I.P.
3. To the family and friends of Michael Gowing R.I.P.
4. To the family of Alexandra Halberda R.I.P.
5. To the sons and families of Roy Percival R.I.P.



We pray that our merciful God will have welcomed the above named departed loved ones with compassion and love. May they rest in peace and rise in glory. To their bereaved families and loved ones, I can only say that **"your loved ones have only gone as far as God and God is so near to all of us"**. Your loved ones will always be near to you and part of you. As St Ambrose said: "We loved them in life. He will not forget them in death". Our prayers and condolences are offered to all the bereaved.

TODAY AFTER THE 10.00AM MASS a Pre Baptismal Preparation meeting for all parents requesting Baptism for their already born, or expected child. This Preparation meeting is now compulsory. There will be 4 such meeting this year, with the first today. The next one will be after Easter. (By the way, the Counters will meet in the sacristy today).



A RECOMMENDATION: The Knights of St. Columba and our own Pro Life Group have recommended that we have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament during which time the Rosary will be prayed, on Thursday mornings before Mass. Namely from 9.30am to 10.00am. The Rosary is to be offered for the protection of the UNBORN CHILD in its mother's womb and in reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus for the loss of innocent life through direct abortion. This recommendation comes mainly from the Knights of St. Columba to mark the centenary of its foundation. Whilst the recommendation is for a monthly Exposition, I am very happy and willing to have exposition every Thursday morning when we usually pray the Rosary before Mass, the odd exception in the case of a funeral. More on this when finalised.



A WEEK OF PRAYER FOR GREATER CHRISTIAN UNITY: Each year from January 19th - 25th, the Christian Church celebrates a week of special prayer for closer unity between all denominations professing the Christian faith, that they will come closer together in love, understanding, respect and appreciation of each others differences, that where possible, they will meet together for prayer and worship. The 25th January marks the closure of this special week, that date chosen because it is the feast day of the Conversion of St Paul. Thank God for the unity, which does not mean conformity, of Churches Together in Harborough. Please God, our Christian faith will continue to grow ever stronger, and more meaningful and prayerful, in love, charity and action, continuing to give witness to our unity as God's family in Harborough and district

TODAY SUNDAY AT 10.00AM there is a special united service at the Baptist Church. I hope that our parish will be there and especially some of you, who have been to our Saturday evening Mass. I don't want anybody to miss out on our Sunday Mass which must take priority.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR QUIZ 2018: Many congratulations to Mrs Pat Waring who won the prize for the best entry in the OLV Christmas Quiz. Our thanks also to all who donated funds for a copy of the Quiz, which hopefully provided some fun and entertainment over the holiday period! .



ST JOSEPH'S PTFA QUIZ & SUPPER NIGHT - FRIDAY 8TH FEBRUARY: Back by popular demand, St Joseph's PTFA are hosting another of their fun Quiz nights in the school hall to raise funds for those little extras that enhance the children's learning experience. Tickets are £8.50 per head also includes a Chip Shop Supper courtesy of The Bluewave. Team max. 6 persons. Raffle prize draw on the night. Doors open 7.30pm for a 8pm start. BYOB (don't forget your glass). Book your team/space with a PTFA member or with the school office or text Ivana on 07768165451. Payment will be taken on the night but it would be appreciated if you could prebook your ticket by Wed 6th Feb to help with the catering. Everyone is welcome so please spread the word.



ANNUAL "VALENTINE" MARRIAGE MASS: The Annual Diocesan Marriage Mass, where married couples are able to renew their vows before the Bishop and receive his blessing on their Marriages, will take place on **Sunday 10th February, 3pm at St Barnabas Cathedral**. This Mass is open to all couples who have received the sacrament of marriage and their families, but is especially appropriate to those recently married, or celebrating a significant anniversary or those who simply wish to renew their vows. Please just turn up on the day, but if you want more information do not hesitate to contact Fr David Palmer, Chair of the Marriage and family Life Commission at: catholicdavid@mac.com or 0115 9786236.



YOUTH WORK OFFICER in Market Harborough at The CUBE, Market Harborough, South Leicestershire. Flexibility for the right candidate Salary - £25,000 -27,000. The Harborough Youth and Community Trust, a Christian youth work charity in Market Harborough, is looking to appoint a Youth Work Officer to develop its youth work through The CUBE Youth and Community Centre. This provides an exciting opportunity for The CUBE to develop youth work across the town. The ideal candidate will be professionally qualified and have experience in working in community settings missionally. We are looking for someone to join the staff team, build our role in work with young people and develop others. The working week will be 37 hours and at times will include evenings and weekends. The salary will be £25-27000 depending on the qualifications and experience the candidate brings. The start date for this post is dependent on the successful applicant, but we would anticipate this to be before the summer term of 2019. To explore further or to express an interest contact Dawn O'Connell, dawn@thecubeyouth.org.uk. Further information and an Application Form contact Jean Molcher jeanmolcher@hotmail.co.uk or 07590 998234. This post is subject to DBS enhanced disclosure and there is a Genuine Occupational Requirement that the holder of this post is a Christian.

