

**FAITH AND FOOTPRINT:** Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 7.00pm – 8.30pm Caritas invite you to its online environmental workshop, dipping into Pope Francis' Message for the 2023 World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. We'll share practical ideas for reducing the carbon footprint of our churches and homes (and their energy bills). To receive the Zoom link book your place at [bit.ly/FaithandFootprint](https://bit.ly/FaithandFootprint)

**SAVE THE DATE: 1<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2023 : LACY BIG SING AT ST. PATRICK'S, LEICESTER, 4.00 P.M.** Leicestershire Active Catholic Youth are extending a warm invitation to all parishes to invite them to come along to a "Big Sing" for an hour in Leicester. We are inviting music groups and choirs to be involved in the liturgy by singing a hymn/Christian song of their choice. We are hoping that many young people, families and friends will come and join us!. We will be celebrating the Mysteries of Light led by Father Simon Gillespie and we hope that many groups will get in touch with us to make this the most exciting event ever! Our invitation also extends to everyone who would like to come and share the celebration. Bring your young people – your voices – your instruments! To enable us to put all of this together we would be most grateful if you could please contact Pauline Payne, LACY Co-ordinator as soon as possible if you are interested in sharing the occasion: e mail – [paulinepayne@hotmail.com](mailto:paulinepayne@hotmail.com) and tel number: 07885 187374. Let's raise the roof at St. Patrick's in song! "He who sings, prays twice" – St. Augustine of Hippo.

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**A VOCATION DAY OF DISCERNMENT:** is being held on **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October** from 10.00am until 3.00pm at The Rosmini Centre, 433 Fosse Way, Ratcliffe-On-The-Wreake. LE7 4SJ. There will be the opportunity of talking to Fathers Antonio, Ted, and Philip about the calling to Religious Life in general, and to the Institute of Charity (Rosminians) in particular: an opportunity to join the Community in prayer, and to ask the Lord for clarity and courage. To book telephone 01509 813078.

**JOIN MEN** from across the Diocese of Nottingham for a **DAY OF FRATERNITY** in Leicester. On **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October** we will be meeting in Bradgate Park Leicester, celebrating Mass, walking round the park and then going for a pub lunch. Mass will be at 10.30am at All Saints Church, just at the edge of Bradgate Park, we will then walk for just about an hour and then head out for a pub lunch. Please book by 30<sup>th</sup> September so that we know numbers for the lunch. Please note that this event is for those aged 18 years or over only. Book via: [dioceseofnottingham.uk/events](http://dioceseofnottingham.uk/events) or contact [adult.formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:adult.formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk)

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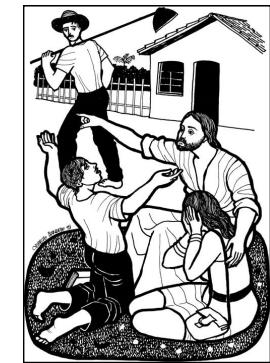
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## TIMES OF SERVICES

### Sunday: 26th of Ordinary Time

6.00pm Mass: People of the Parish  
10.00am Mass: Philip Hoey RIP (Hewitt)  
Coffee after Mass  
Rosary 4.30pm



### Monday: The Holy Guardian Angels

9.00am: Mass: Bill Reed months mind

### Tuesday: Feria

9.00am Mass: Betty Ruane RIP - Wedding anniv (Tom)

IMay be in the hall

### Wednesday: St Francis of Assisi

9.45am: Morning Prayer  
10.00am Mass: Joe Humphries RIP (Dolby) Anniv  
May be in the Hall

### Thursday: Feria

10.00am:Dave Hill's Funeral  
Refreshments will be in the hall afterwards

7.00pm: Holy Hour

### Friday: Feria

7.00pm Mass: No Particular Intention

### Saturday: Our Lady of the Rosary

6.00pm Mass: Gertrude & Herbert O'Brien (Phillips)

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10.00am Mass: Bill Reed RIP(JM & E)

*He thought better of it and went Tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the Kingdom of God before you.*

## CONFESIONS

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5.15pm

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Also cf: [For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission - Catholic Bishops' Conference \(cbcew.org.uk\)](https://www.cbcew.org.uk)

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**David Hill** sadly died. His funeral will be on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October at 10.00am. .Also Frances Pengelly died on 18<sup>th</sup> September. Her funeral will be on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 10.30am. Also David Morgan died on Thursday night. Our Condolences to all the families of these three wonderful people.

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**HOW TO MAKE YOUR HOME WARMER THIS WINTER:** Wednesday 4th October, meeting in Harborough Methodist Church, Northampton Rd at 7.30pm. Find out about help with energy bills, home insulation improvements and installing renewable energy. For more details see <https://www.sustainableharboroughcommunity.co.uk/ufwh/> Any questions contact Julie on [faganjulie@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:faganjulie@yahoo.co.uk) Thank you.

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Together with your contact details.  
We’ll get in touch with you to discuss.

For further information, please contact:  
Alan Sear (Chairman) on 07850 252064

Ahead of **EDUCATION SUNDAY** the Catholic Union is encouraging people to sign an open letter to the Education Secretary calling for the **50 percent cap on faith-based admissions to new free schools to be lifted**. The cap is preventing the Catholic Church in England from taking part in the free schools programme. The letter is available to sign at [www.catholicunion.org.uk](https://www.catholicunion.org.uk) or using the QR code:



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**JUBILEE FOOD BANK:** You are asked to leave food bank items in the trolleys at various supermarkets when you shop. Henderson Connellan on the High Street, Spar on Coventry Road, Eco Village, Sainsbury's, Waitrose, Both Coop supermarkets, B&M, Everyone's Active: leisure centre cf <https://www.jubileefoodbankmh.uk/>



**Shopping List:** WE HAVE AN URGENT NEED FOR: (In order of how urgent they are.).

Tinned Carrots, Tinned Sweetcorn, Jam, Marmalade, Sandwich Paste, Cordial / Juice Drinks, UHT Milk (semi-skimmed or full fat), Biscuits, Tinned Rice Pudding, Crackers, Tinned/Jarred Hot Dogs, Tinned Ham, Corned Beef, Fray Bentos Pies, Smash / Dried Potato, Tinned Fruit,

**Other Suggested Food Donations:** Mayonnaise, Tinned Potatoes, Sugar (small bags if possible, 500g), Pasta sauce, Tinned chicken in sauce, Tinned red meat (bolognaise, mince, stewed, chilli), Tins of beans (red kidney beans, chickpeas... etc.), Porridge oats, Shampoo, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Shower gel, Feminine products--sanitary towels and tampons, Used, clean, strong 'bags for life', strong carrier bags, Jars or pouches of baby food, Packets of Rice (500g if possible), Cereal, Jars of curry sauce to go with rice, Tinned potatoes, Tinned meatballs, Jars of coffee, Hot chocolate, Packet Rice, Tinned Fish, Dried pasta, Tinned Custard.

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**AN EVENING WITH THE NORTHAMPTON MALE VOICE CHOIR**  
Friday 20th October at 7.30pm in the Cathedral. Tickets are £15.00 to raise funds for the Healing Garden in the Cathedral Grounds. See Poster



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### Wednesday: Feria

9.45am: Morning Prayer

10.00am Mass: Phil Danks RIP (Mike & Mary)

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10.00am: School Harvest Mass Philip Hoey RIP (Hewitt)

We start in the School playground by demand of the Chaplains!

*Coffee after mass*

7.00pm: Holy Hour

### Friday: Feria

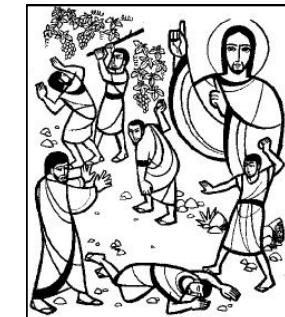
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*He will lease the vineyard to other tenants.*

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**Well done do our Jumble sale that raised £400 for the Bazaar**

**FR CHRIS WRITES:** We celebrate this week Prisoner's Sunday and a week of prayer from 8<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> October. There is a prayer sheet available for each day. Please pray for them and all their families.

Words of Bishop Richard Moth, Bishop for Prisons: "Prisoner's Sunday is an important opportunity for us all to direct our thoughts and prayers to the needs of prisoners and their families and those who work to support our brothers and sisters affected by the criminal justice system. The number of people in prison continues to grow. In our communities there are more children and families who have a loved one in prison and who may be struggling with stigma, isolation and perhaps hardship, as a result. PACT is the national Catholic charity working to support prisoners, people with convictions, and children and families. PACT's work is deeply rooted in Catholic social teaching and continues to restore hope and dignity, 2000s of people affected by imprisonment. Volunteers work in 60 prisons across England and Wales. Thanks care and practical support help people in prison stay connected with their families. We know that retaining strong family bonds is a significant factor in preventing reoffending."

**There will be a voluntary retiring collection for PACT.** You can also donate online. At [pact1.link/PS23donate](http://pact1.link/PS23donate). See Poster for QR Code.

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**NOVEMBER DEAD LIST** The Catholic Tradition of praying for the Holy Souls,

particularly our own departed family and friends, takes on a special focus in November. During this month and during the rest of the year Masses will be offered with this intention in mind. If you would like to make a list of your

deceased loved ones, it will be placed near the Altar during our November Masses. An offering is given and a series of Masses are offered for all our dead Loved ones in November and throughout the year. **Forms & Envelopes are available as you leave Church**



**Our Lady Of Victories**  
**CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**  
**PRIZE DRAW TICKET DISTRIBUTION**  
**Can you help with selling our Bazaar prize draw tickets?**

We will be giving out the tickets,  
in the Octagonal Hall, after mass  
this Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October at 11.00am

Your help is greatly appreciated, thank you.

## IN PREPARATION FOR THE JUBILEE YEAR 2025:

Pope Francis has asked the Church to look again at some of the documents of the Second Vatican Council. Nottingham Deanery is hosting a series of talks, open to all, and presented by specialists in each Constitution:

- Father Richard Ounsworth OP, **Wednesday 18th October**, at Sacred Heart community centre, Carlton NG4 1FP, speaking about **Dei Verbum**, the constitution about scripture
- Doctor Mary McCaughey, **Monday 20th November**, at Saint John the Evangelist parish hall, Stapleford NG9 7BT, speaking about **Gaudium et Spes**, the constitution about the Church in the world
- Bishop Patrick, **Thursday 30th November**, at Our Lady and Saint Patrick in the Meadows' parish hall, The Meadows NG2 1JQ, speaking about **Lumen Gentium**, the constitution about the Church

Each evening will begin at 7pm with a talk, followed by questions, and light refreshments, before finishing at 8.30pm. All are very welcome to come and hear more about these documents which are central to our faith. I'm pleased to say that the talks will also be streamed via YouTube on the diocesan website, and can be found on the Home page at:

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10.00am Mass: People of the Parish

*Coffee after Mass*

4.30pm Rosary

### Monday: Feria

9.00am Mass: Nap Murphy RIP (Ruane)

### Tuesday: St Ignatius of Antioch

9.00am Mass: Mirek Nowakowski RIP - birthday anniv

### Wednesday: St Luke Evangelist

7.00pm Mass: Mother Dee Clark - unwell in thanks  
archangels

### Thursday: Feria

9.00am: Dave Hill RIP (Mike O'Malley)

*Coffee after mass*

6.00pm: Reception of the Body of Frances Pengelly

*No Holy Hour*

### Friday: Feria

10.30am: Funeral Frances Pengelly RIP

### Saturday: Feria

6.00pm Mass: Christopher Brown RIP (Priscilla)

### Sunday: 29th of Ordinary Time

10.00am Mass: People of the Parish

**2nd Collection for CAFOD this weekend**



*Invite everyone  
you can to the  
wedding.*

## CONFESIONS

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**FR CHRIS WRITES:** I am away Tuesday afternoon till Wednesday evening this week for a Priests get together and also on Thursday I travel to Newark for a Clergy post abortion training day, so there will be a bit of change for the Mass times this week. Please pray your rosary for peace in our world and the work of the Synod.

**A REGISTER OF CHURCH VOLUNTEERS:** As you may know the Church has both a legal and moral duty of safeguarding the young and the vulnerable in all that it does. Various independent inquiries and reports have helped us in that. The most recent one an "Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse in England and Wales" has helped us with various recommendations and standards to ensure that all our institutions including our churches, are safe, as well as creating a safeguarding culture and ensuring that we are all abiding by set standards in safeguarding structures and practices.

One of these standards set by the Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency(CSSA) that we have to comply with is that we have a central recording system that shows all clergy, employees and volunteers in the Diocese.

At the moment we do NOT have a central register of volunteers.

**So very soon we will be giving out forms to be returned to the Parish for all those who volunteer in ANY capacity within the Parish. It simply asks for your contact details and your role. This will be for any role or help you give the Church, from Church Cleaner, Flower Arranger, Reader, Coffee volunteer, Church Collections, Welcomers, Red Boxes, Bazaar helpers and so on... If you help out in ANY way, you are a valued volunteer, and therefore need to complete a registration form.**

This will also be very helpful to us as a Parish. Thank God the Church, in particular our Diocese, is working hard to improve practices to achieve these standards which are common to all Churches. This duty of care for "the little ones" is a basic part of the Gospel. Many thanks Fr. Chris.

#### **CAFOD Family Fast Day appeal - 2nd collection this weekend.**



Catholic Agency for Overseas Development  
Dr Nasha's mobile medical clinic gets life-saving help to where it's needed most, fast – so when her team arrived in Meera's village in Pakistan after it had been destroyed by flooding, Meera rushed to the clinic to get her children the treatment they needed. Donate to CAFOD today so that more families can get the expert help they need. Use the envelope in church or give online at [cafod.org.uk](http://cafod.org.uk)

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**THE SYNOD** which the Pope has called in Rome to which we made our contributions at a parish diocesan and national level will continue to the 29th October. We need to pray for this as the members discern how we can be faithful followers of Christ as a Church through participation, communion and mission. This week the reflection has been A communion that radiates: How can we be more fully a sign and instrument of union with God and of the unity of all humanity? There will be a document or synthesis prepared at the end of this for the Holy Father to consider and for us to reflect on. The synod will then meet again in October 2024. So over the coming weeks we need to support the Synod with our prayers. Cf [Synodal Journey Archives - Catholic Bishops' Conference \(cbcew.org.uk\)](http://Synodal Journey Archives - Catholic Bishops' Conference (cbcew.org.uk))



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# Our Lady of Victories CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

2nd December 2023

## UPDATE

The Cloister area behind the curtains is now clear and ready to receive your donated items for the **White Elephant** stall etc  
Good quality items can be deposited daily throughout the week.

**Prize Draw Tickets** are available after every weekend mass.  
both on Saturdays and Sundays.

The **Nativity Donations Board** is in the Cloister.  
Fill in your details on the tab of your choice  
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Enquiries: Alan Sear 07850-252064

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FINANCE	15/10/23
Envelopes	£220.00
Loose	£242.35
Standing Order	£761.38
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1223.73</b>

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## TIMES OF SERVICES

### Sunday: 29th Sunday

6.00pm Mass: Christopher Brown RIP (Priscilla)

10.00am Mass: People of the Parish

**Coffee after Mass**

No Rosary today

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11.00am Funeral David Morgan RIP

### Tuesday: Feria

9.00am Mass: Bill Reed (Sisters)

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9.45am: Morning Prayer

10.00am Mass: Peter Penfold

### Thursday: Feria

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**Coffee after Mass in Hall**

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*Give back to  
Caesar what  
belongs to Caesar*

## CONFESIONS

11.00am

5.15pm

**2nd Collection for Mission Sunday**

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**Coffee after Mass**

3.30pm Rosary

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### Wednesday: ALL SAINTS

10.00am Mass: Bill Reed RIP (Rosaleen)

7.30pm Mass: People of the Parish

### Thursday: ALL SOULS

9.45am: Rosary

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7.00pm: Adoration of the Bl. Sacrament

7.30pm Mass: Holy Souls

### Friday: Feria

7.00pm Mass: November Dead List

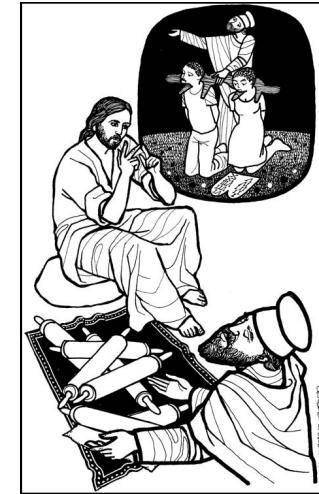
### Saturday: St Chares Borromeo

6.00pm Mass: People of the Parish

NB Clocks go back!!

### Sunday: 31st of Ordinary Time

10.00am Mass: Barbara O'Malley RIP (anniv)



*You must love the  
Lord your God and  
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as yourself.*

### CONFESIONS

11.00am

5.15pm

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29th October 2023

30th Week of Ordinary Time

Psalter Week 2

**FR CHRIS WRITES:** We come to November this week when we think particularly of the dead. We start with the great feast Day of All Saints. The school will join us for 10.00am Mass and then Holy Souls will be on Thursday with two Masses as well. Do not forget your November dead lists. Also I will be blessing the graves at the General Cemetery on Sunday 12th November at 3.00pm.

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