

COME TO LOURDES! Bishop Patrick invites everyone in our diocese to join him in coming to this beautiful Marian Shrine between Saturday 15th and Thursday 20th July. Travel will be by air from East Midlands Airport, and the five-night all inclusive prices (full board) start at £709. See the poster at the back of church for more details, or visit <https://www.tangney-tours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/diocese-of-nottingham>.

PILGRIMAGE TO LISIEUX BY COACH: June 5th – 8th 2023 (Pick up in Nottingham, Derby and Leicester) The cost of the Pilgrimage is £380 sharing and £410 for a single room. We will begin our Pilgrimage with a Guided visit to the Cathedral in Lisieux and then to the Basilica dedicated to St. Therese, to the house where she grew up and to the Carmel where she lived and died. In addition to this there'll be an optional excursion to Hon Fleur. For more information and a booking form please contact Fr. John McCay at jmccay1982@yahoo.co.uk or 07853068189.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES 2023-24: Envelopes for the next financial year beginning 2nd April 2023 have been given out. If you would like some please speak to Fr. Chris. Anyone who would like to give through Standing Order or is new to the parish please pick up a form in the Narthex .

Name of account: **Our Lady of Victories, Market Harborough RCP**

Sort Code: **30 - 95- 47** Account: **00068953**

Just put a note to say it is church donation. If You are a Tax payer you can pick up a gift Aid Form(if you have not completed one) at the Church or email Fr Chris parish-priest@olvic.com and I can send you one by email. We can claim an extra 25% on top of anything you give if you are tax payer.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS IN CHURCH: We are managing to take collections in Church once again. Thank you to those who have begun to do it. We had a few volunteers for collections, sadly the list I had put out disappeared during the time of the Bazaar. My fault. Apologies! Could I ask people to sign up again. There is a list in the Cloister for you to sign up with name Mass and contact details. Many thanks.

Sister Catherine has fallen and broken her shoulder. She will be at Matlock for a few weeks recuperating. Please remember her in your prayers.

		Sat. 6.00pm	Sunday, 9.00am	11.00am
Readers	1/2 April	M. Atkins	S. Acton	J. Thayaseelan
	8/9 April	N. Williamson	C. Goddard	K. Lilley

FINANCE	26/03/23
Envelopes	£309.20
Loose	£315.54
Standing Order	£761.38
Total	£1386.12

THE WEEKLY ROSARY GROUP
meets outside in front of Our Lady's Statue Sunday 3.30-4pm. For more information contact Maureen Douglas 07966 515115 (UKPrays.org)



Our Lady of Victories

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26th March 2023
Fifth Week of Lent
Psalter Week

Times of Services

Sunday: PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Sat. 6.00pm: O'Malley & Steele families

9.00am Mass: Gurman Sari Agatha)

11.00am Mass: People of the Parish

4.30pm: Rosary

Monday: Lenten Feria

9.00am: Mass: November Dead List

12.30pm: Funeral Service for Patricia D'Almeida at Great Glen

6.30pm: Confessions

Tuesday: Lenten Feria

9.00am Mass: Piotr Kulik RIP

Wednesday: Lenten Feria

6.30pm: Confessions

7.00pm Mass: Francis Wilson Good health

Thursday: MAUNDY THURSDAY

7.00pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper - Betty Ruane RIP (McGlone)

Followed by watching until 11pm

Friday: GOOD FRIDAY

3.00pm: Liturgy of the Passion

7.00pm: Stations of the cross

7.30pm: Confessions

Saturday: HOLY SATURDAY

11.00am: Confessions

12.00noon: Blessing of Easter Food

8.00pm: Easter Vigil Clive Blencowe RIP (Angela)

Sunday: EASTER DAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

9.00am Mass: People of the Parish

11.00am Mass: Bogush Nowakowski RIP



*Blessings on him
who comes in the
name of the Lord.*



PLEASE NOTE: Please sanitise as you enter the church and we encourage people to wear masks but please respect those who do not. Please to not come to Mass if you have any symptoms of a viral infection.

.FR CHRIS WRITES:

This weekend we begin Holy Week or the Great week as it is often called. Simply put with Jesus we enter Jerusalem. We seek to take part in the events of our Salvation through our Liturgies in Church and our devotions at home such as a family Stations of the Cross and the rosary. If we are watching television perhaps we could view more religious films on TV or YouTube.. We also try to live the Spirit of the Triduum. These are the three days of Maundy Thursday Good Friday and easter Sunday.

We can also give witness this week by placing some branches in our windows or on our door and a cross or crucifix in our window in Holy week and then may be flowers or white cloth on Easter Sunday or the children could do some drawings!

One of the things I remember from being a child was the sombre solemnity of Good Friday, then the sense of silence and waiting on Holy Saturday looking forward to the joy of the resurrection. We sit by the tomb waiting with Mary, Mother of the Lord. For our family, it was a day of preparation and quiet with no television or radio! Then the great joy of Easter broke forth with the village bells ringing again, the Liturgy and Easter egg hunts in the Garden!

COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND ON GOOD FRIDAY: Through the funds traditionally collected on Good Friday, the Franciscan Custody of the Holy Land is able to carry out the important mission to which it is called: preserving the Sacred Places, the stones of memory, and promoting the Christian presence, the living stones, through its many pastoral, educational, welfare, health and social facilities. The territories which benefit from the Collection are Jerusalem, Palestine, Israel, Jordan, Cyprus, Syria, Lebanon, Egypt, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Turkey, Iran and Iraq. As a rule, the Custody of the Holy Land receives 65% of the Collection, while the remaining 35% goes to the Dicastery for the Eastern Churches, which is used for the formation of candidates to priesthood, the support of clergy, educational activities, cultural formation and for subsidies to the several ecclesiastical Circumscriptions in the Middle East. I have a 23 page report! Cf [Appeal for the Collection for Christians in the Holy Land \(vatican.va\)](https://www.vatican.va/press/press-articles/2019/04/20190423-collection-for-the-holy-land-on-good-friday_en.html)

All are welcome to Saint Barnabas Cathedral (Derby Road, Nottingham NG15AE) for **Stations of the Cross for Families and Young People** at 10.30am. Reflections will be provided by students from local schools, and music from the Cathedral Boys' Choir and Girls' Choir. Live Streamed at <https://www.stbarnabascathedral.org.uk/>

READERS FOR HOLY WEEK: Would any reader who would like to assist at any of the Holy Week services, (see announcement of days and times on this page), please either email Margaret or sign the list on the noticeboard in the cloister."

EASTER OFFERING: Traditionally the Easter Offering goes to the Priest of the Parish and forms a major part of his income for the year. Envelopes for the Offering can be found at the back of the Church.

FUNERALS: The funeral of Patricia D'Almeida will take place at Great Glen crematorium on Monday T 12.30PM. May. She was a parishioner at Oadby but had been in The Knoll Care home Kibworth for the last 10 years. May she rest in peace.

TIMES FOR HOLY WEEK:

Palm Sunday times as normal. However the 11.00am will have the procession with Palms starting outside hopefully!

Monday Confessions: 6.30pm

Wednesday: Chrism Mass at the Cathedral 11.30am

Confessions 6.30pm Mass 7.00pm

Maundy Thursday 7.00pm

Good Friday: Liturgy of the Passion 3.00pm

Stations of the Cross 7.00pm followed by confessions

Holy Saturday: 11.00am Confessions

12 noon Blessing of easter Food

Easter vigil: 8.00pm – First Mass of easter: Mother of all Masses

Easter Sunday: 9.00 & 11.00am

A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP PATRICK: Our vision for the Diocese of Nottingham is to become a more outward-looking missionary Catholic community. We are currently reorganising our parish and deanery structures, and to ensure we are supported in mission-focused initiatives the Diocese has launched a Mission Enabling Programme. We must also develop a financial plan, one that is well informed and meets our needs. Therefore after Easter we are commencing a consultative phase, with professional support, to gather opinions from parishioners about our funding strategies. If you are asked please consider giving your views, through a one-to-one conversation or an at-Mass survey. Please also pray for our mission and for this journey of discernment, that we can share the love and message of Christ more widely. For the full message from Bishop Patrick, visit www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/news/consultation

A **MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT RETREAT** for couples to rediscover the beauty and significance of the marital covenant in today's world is being held between Friday 19th and Sunday 21st May. Under the theme 'A Great Mystery: Man and Wife as an image of Christ and his Church' the weekend will be held in the Christian Heritage Centre, Lancashire, and includes full board and accommodation, as well as renowned speakers. More information is available from <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/a-great-mystery-marriageenrichment/>.

Looks very good!!

THE LADIES MIDSUMMER LUNCH in support of Saint Joseph school will be on Thursday the 29th of June 2023 at Marston Trussell hall at 12:30 PM. tickets are 40 pounds. Four tickets please contact Kate Crawford: 07814629927.

SPUC National Prayer Campaign: 10 Million Prayers for 10 Million Lost Lives. Your local SPUC Branch is taking part in a Prayer Relay to mark the end of the SPUC National Prayer Campaign in memory of the 10 million lives lost to abortion in this country since 1967. **This will take place on Thursday 27th April 2023 between 9am and 9pm.** The day will be divided into 15-minute time slots. If you would like to take part, please add your name to the time sheet on the table by the front door & what prayers you intend to offer. Thank you for your support.