

Low-income countries are being pushed into a deepening debt crisis, forced to pay ever higher interest rates to wealthy lenders. Money that should be spent on healthcare and education is flowing out of countries that can least afford it. In 2027, the UK will host the G20, a crucial gathering of the world's 20 most powerful economies. These leaders have the power to fix the global debt system. Please sign **CAFOD's Debt Justice Petition** today and strengthen the call for action from the UK Government: . Please sign on line by visiting CAFOD: <https://action.cafod.org.uk/page/189582/petition>

Giving in Market Harborough: Many thanks to all who continue giving to the Parish. For anyone who is new there are Gift Aid Form in the cloister near the wall. 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 parishpriest@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. **We are Accepting Contactless Donations.** You will find our DIGITAL COLLECTION PLATE, contactless terminal in the Cloister. You can also give via the web link: <https://donate.mydona.com/our-lady-of-victories-church> or QR Code.



SAFEGUARDING SOURCES OF SUPPORT:

Safe Places – a free and independent support service that provides a confidential, personal and safe space for anyone who has been abused through their relationship with the Catholic Church. Phone 0300 303 1056 Email: safespaces@victimsupport.org.uk
The Bower House – Harborough Christian Counselling Service offers counselling to those who live in the Harborough District 01858 469257
NAPAC offers support and advice to adult survivors of childhood abuse 0808 8010331
Spiritual Abuse - www.spiritualabuse.com
Action on Elder Abuse Helpline – 0808 808 8141

<u>Aug 2026</u>	EUCCHARISTIC	MINISTERS		
	6 p.m.	10 a.m.		
1/2 August	M O'Malley	W Kwacz	K Crawford	P Green
8/9 August	S Jones	J O'Leary	S McGlone	C McInnes
15/16 August	J Lowe	J Shellard	T Page	A Randle
22/23 August	B Mugoni	A Randle	M Douglas	J Shellard
29/30 August	P Bebb	P Green	W Kwacz	K Crawford

READERS			
	Sat. 6.00pm	Sunday	10.00am
25/26 July	B. O'Malley	R. Lewin	M. Lewin
1/2 August	M. Furlong	P. Green	J. Thayaseelan
8/9 August	W. Hudson	D. Stonestreet	R. Williams



Our Lady of Victories

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2nd August 2026
 18th Week of Ordinary Time
 Mass p108
 EPIV p31
 Psalter Week 2

TIMES OF SERVICES

SUNDAY: 18th of Ordinary Time

6.00pm Mass: People of the Parish
 10.00am Mass: Fleur Cottrell RIP (Brooks)

MONDAY: Feria

9.00am Mass: November Dead List

TUESDAY: St John Mary Vianney

10.00am Mass: MVF O'Connor RIP

WEDNESDAY: Feria

9.40am: Morning Prayer
 10.00am: Erica Tierney Anniv (Patrick)

THURSDAY: THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

9.40am: Rosary
 10.00am: Roseleen Doyle RIP (Theresa, Maureen, Christine)
 Coffee

No Holy Hour in August

FRIDAY: Feria

10.00am Mass: Celine O'Reilly RIP (Brown)

SATURDAY: St Dominic

12noon: Wedding Alexander Garrido & Rachel Mooney
 6.00pm: People of the Parish

SUNDAY: 19th or Ordinary Time

10.00am Mass: Christopher Roberts Anniv
 Coffee after Mass



They all ate as much as they wanted.

CONFESSIONS
 Sat 11 am
 5.15am

FR CHRIS WRITES: I hope that Holidays are going well especially for all our families. I shall be away after 9th August in Spain for a retreat and some holidays and later in Walsingham. Holidays are a time for rest and recuperation and the opportunity for Spiritual refreshment. See Pope Leo words: [Pope: Do not forget those most in need during the summer - Vatican News](#).

HOLIDAY AT HOME, a week of activities and entertainment for seniors, 3rd to 7th August, 9.30am to 1.30pm at the Methodist Church. £8 per day, £11 on Friday, two course lunch, tea, coffee and biscuits included. Free transport available. To book ring 01858 410878. If no reply please leave your name and phone number and someone will phone you back.

LADIES LUNCH 2026: the amount raised for Saint Joseph's Catholic school what a wonderful £6123. Our grateful thanks to all who supported this event in any way. Market Harborough educational trust

MARCH FOR LIFE UK: On Saturday 5th September the annual UK March for Life will take place in London. Join with thousands of others from all over the UK as we peacefully process through the streets of London to witness to the sanctity of life. There will be a coach from Leicester and all seats are FREE. Don't miss out on this opportunity, sign up today. A sign up sheet is available at the back of the church or alternatively contact sicamartinez02@gmail.com or text to 07943 711549 to book your place.

OPPOSE ASSISTED SUICIDE: As you may have seen, the proposal to legalise assisted suicide which was rejected by the Lords in the last parliamentary session is returning to the Commons in exactly the same form on **Friday 11th September**. Our Bishops have asked us to oppose this legislation, on the grounds that it undermines respect for the innate value of life; that it could lead to vulnerable people feeling pressured into ending their lives; and that it risks putting many hospices and care homes in the position of no longer being able to operate. The Bishops have asked us to contact / write to our MPs once again, to express our opposition to this bill. They have provided materials to help us to do this on their website (www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide/). SPUC also offers advice on what to say to your MP ([SPUC.org.uk/Fight the Terminally Ill Adults \(End of Life\) Bill](http://SPUC.org.uk/Fight the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill)). There is only a short time before the bill is debated on 11th September. Please contact your MP as soon as possible.

A **PLAINCHANT WORKSHOP** in Glossop, **Saturday 12th September**, 2.00pm to 3.45pm, free event, donations welcome. Plainchant, or plainsong, is an ancient and beautiful form of singing. In this practical workshop, we will explore how it differs from modern singing styles and discover the basic rubrics for singing chant. We will also look at some of the ways in which we use plainchant in the churches in Glossop. Please bring a pen or a pencil, and water to drink: there will be plenty of opportunities to sing! Find details and book a place at tinyurl.com/plainchant-glossop

The Government's **GREAT BRITISH SUMMER SAVINGS SCHEME** takes place between **25th June and 1st September**, with a temporary reduction on VAT from 20% to 5% on children's meals in restaurants, children and family tickets to cinemas, theatres, concerts, exhibitions and a wide range of other attractions. In addition, there is to be free bus travel during August for children aged 5 to 15 in England. Full details can be found at: <https://summersavings.gov.uk>

All are invited to a **FAMILY MASS AND PICNIC** at Mount Saint Bernard Abbey on **Sunday 13th September**. Bring a chair or picnic blanket, and arrive for Mass at 2.00pm, with a Marian Procession and Adoration too. More details from jnoakes@englishmartyrs.com

A **WEEK OF GUIDED PRAYER** for those affected directly or indirectly by abuse in the Church is being offered by the Jesuits between **Sunday 18th and Friday 23rd October**. For more details visit www.jesuitinstitute.org/events

Whether you are a doctor, nurse, student, or allied profession; if you are a Catholic in healthcare join the **CATHOLIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION** to grow in fellowship, prayer, and formation. For more information visit <https://catholicmedicalassociation.org.uk>

Come to the **CELEBRATE festival**, a faith-filled event for all the family, being held between **Saturday 15th and Wednesday 19th August**, at Worth School, West Sussex. Hear inspiring speakers such as Father Roberto Pasolini (Preacher to the Pope), David Wells and Johannes Hartl, experience daily Mass, pray in Worth Abbey: fun and formation for children and young people aged 3-24 each day of the festival, and relax in the beautiful Sussex countryside. For more information, visit www.celebratefestival.org. **CELEBRATE** has produced some resources for families to use over the summer. The **Summer family activity pack** where families can choose from faith filled activities, support for family prayer, books for different ages and film suggestions. Also the **Summer Psalm Walk** designed to help families explore Psalm 139 whilst they walk in their local park or on holiday.



Join the Caritas **WORKSHOP FOR EVERYONE** on **Saturday 12th September** at Holy Cross Priory, Leicester. Pope Leo and Pope Francis ask all the baptised to build new relationships in the Church through 'synodality' (walking together). Led by Dr Austen Ivereigh, the workshop runs from 10am until 3pm and will explore practical ways to listen, build relationships and be inspired towards mission. A donation of £20 is suggested to cover costs, though if this amount means you can't come, you are invited to give what you can. Any surplus will be donated to Caritas Nottingham. Book through at <https://bit.ly/synodalityleics> or using the QR code.



From relationships that are 'Just in a Rut', needing some refreshment or more serious issues - If you are open to try again – **Retrouvaille** could be the solution. We have helped thousands of couples get their relationship back on track as they rediscovered hope and trust in the marriage. To find out more, visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk or telephone 07973 380443