

CATECHIST FORMATION AND TRAINING. Are you a Catechist? Or is God calling you to be one? It is such a rewarding ministry and the Diocese of Nottingham has put together a number of course for you to explore or grow further in this vocation. You will find something for you in these courses, from getting standard as a catechist, increasing your knowledge or taking your catechesis beyond sacramental preparation! All sessions are delivered online with the first course starting this November, for more information please speak to your parish priest or email: adult.formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk



Our Lady of Victories
CHRISTMAS BAZAAR
2nd December 2023

Now is the time to ask yourself:
How can I help to make our Bazaar a success?

We need all **good quality re-sellable items**,
including BOOKS, CD's and DVD's
(No Cassettes or VHS Tapes please)

The **Nativity Donations Board** is in the Cloister.
(Select your donation tag, fill in your name & number & place in box)

Stall Holders: It's time to start planning and preparing.

Enquiries: Alan Sear 07850-252064

Readers		Sat. 6.00pm	Sunday	10.00am
	4 /5 Nov	N. Williamson	M. Lewin	R Lewin
	11 /12 Nov	J. Rowland	M. Crook	C .Goddard

FINANCE	29/10/23	Parish Giving : Many thanks to all who continue to give 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.
Envelopes	£258.04	
Loose	£294.34	
Standing Order	£761.38	
Total	£1313.76	



Our Lady of Victories

Market Harborough

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Parish Pastoral Council Members: see photos on notice board

5th November 2023
31st Week of Ordinary Time
Psalter Week 3

TIMES OF SERVICES

Sunday: 31st of Ordinary Time

6.00pm Mass: People of the Parish
10.00am Mass: Barbara O'Malley RIP (anniv)
Coffee after Mass
Rosary 3.30pm

Monday: Feria

8.00am Mass: Matthew Muckle RIP (Maureen)

Tuesday: Feria

8.00am Mass: No particular Intention

Wednesday: Feria

6.00pm Mass: Jan, Mirek & Bogush Nowakowski RIP

Thursday: THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

5.45pm Rosary

6.00pm Mass: November Dead List

Friday: St Leo the Great

7.00pm Mass: Christine Reed Ints (M.W.)

Saturday: St Hugh of Lincoln, Patron of the Diocese

6.00pm Mass: November Dead List

Sunday: 32nd of Ordinary Time

10.00am Mass: Dave Hill RIP (Penney)
3.00pm: Blessing of Graves



*They do not
practice what
they preach.*

CONFESSIONS

11.00am
5.15pm

FR CHRIS WRITES: Mass Times this week: Browns the builders will be working in the church this week, dealing with some of the gaps between the roof and the wall and so we hope to make the church a little warmer this winter. Therefore, the Mass times will be different this week. **8.00am** on Monday & Tuesday and **6:00 PM** on Wednesday and Thursday. Friday will be the normal 7:00pm. I will be blessing the graves at the General Cemetery on Sunday 12th November at 3.00pm.

Also **REMEMBERING ALL OUR DEPARTED LOVED ONES:** You are all invited to a **SPECIAL MASS OF REMEMBRANCE** in Church on **Wednesday 15th November evening at 7pm**. During Mass you will have the opportunity, if you so wish, to write the names of your departed loved ones and then to have them placed on the altar where they will remain for all Masses offered during the remainder of this month of November. You may also light a candle in their memory. All who lost loved ones this year will be invited to light a candle, or have one lit for them, as the names of their loved ones will be called out. It will be truly a Mass of Remembrance, of commending and entrusting the souls of our departed loved ones to God's eternal and merciful safe keeping.

A REGISTER OF CHURCH VOLUNTEERS: Registration forms are now available in the Narthex or by email. As we have been saying all Churches are required to have a central record in the diocese of all volunteers as part of our safeguarding requirements. It will also be helpful for the Parish as well. All forms will be destroyed and the data will be kept securely on the Database.



Who does this apply to? Really anyone who helps in any way in the Parish! From Church Cleaner, flower arranger reader, Coffee volunteer, church collection Bazaar Offertory PPC, welcomer and so on. We already have data for DBS roles such as Eucharistic Minister but it will be useful to have a complete list of all groups and roles in the Parish as well. There is also a health and safety aspect as well in case of illness or accident. You can also receive the form by email from parishpriest@olvic.com **PS Just one form is necessary for all your roles in the parish.**

RED BOXES: Many thanks to everyone who continues to find coins to put into their Red Boxes (increasingly difficult in post Covid/card only times) to help the poor and needy in our world. Your support is so much needed and very greatly appreciated. As always, please leave your box on the table in the Cloister and it will be returned after emptying, to the same place. Should anyone wish to help by taking a box, please speak to Father Chris or to Bob and Chris Shepherd. Thank you very much once more.

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.**



Les Turek died on Wednesday morning in Skegness with all the Sacraments. His funeral will be held here on Monday 13th November at 12 noon

The local Prison Fellowship group will be running **the ANGEL TREE PROJECT this year at HMP Gartree and Five Wells Prison in Wellingborough and would like your help.** The purpose of this project is to purchase Christmas presents for children of some of the prisoners. The gifts will be sent to the children as from their dad's. The value of each gift will be **approx £15**. The aim is to alleviate some of the sadness experienced by prisoners and their families at Christmas time. Angel Tree provides a crucial link between innocent children and their imprisoned father. If you would like to help with this project, either with a **monetary donation or a suitable gift** you will be given a gift tag with the first name, age and gender of the child. **The gift can be wrapped by yourself in Christmas paper** if you wish, but we do need to have a photo of the gift for security reasons otherwise a member of Prison Fellowship will wrap the gift. A handwritten gift tag from their dad will be attached to make it extra special. **All presents will be posted so please keep them light.** Local bank account details: Prison Fellowship (Gartree Angel Tree) Sort code: 40 32 04 Account: 91564005 For your donation to be **Gift Aided** contact info@prisonfellowship.org.uk Thank you for your kindness this is very much appreciated by prisoners, their families, staff and chaplaincy. Maureen Douglas, Angel Tree Co-ordinator 43 Gardiner St, Market Harborough, LE16 9QN Tel 07966 515115 maureen.e.douglas@btinternet.com

AN INVITE FROM BISHOP MALCOLM TO MARRIED COUPLES: Teams of Our Lady: I am inviting married couples to an information meeting about Teams of Our Lady (Equipes Notre Dame), to be held on Saturday 25th November. More details are in a letter from the Bishop available from Fr. Chris or on the board. A team consists of four to six married couples and a spiritual counsellor, often a priest. They met together for one evening/afternoon a month in each other's homes. They gather around a simple meal. Each member, as they wish, shares their highs and lows of the past month, their news, and concerns. There is a time for prayer and reflection, and a discussion around a study topic. The whole meeting takes place in an atmosphere of openness, trust, and confidentiality. Couples are encouraged to deepen their faith by giving a little time to read the Scriptures and to find occasions to pray together as a couple. For further information go to www.teamsgb.org.uk

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS to Catholic Primary Academies (Reception Year) - Children born between 01/09/2019 and 31/08/2020 The deadline for submitting your application for a school place is **15th January 2024**. Application forms are available on your 'home' Local Authority website. For every Catholic school you apply for if you wish your child to be considered and ranked under a **faith criterion** you **should also complete a supplementary information form**, and return this form to the school by the deadline, (forms are available from the LA and the school). You **MUST** also include the supporting **evidence*** as required with this form, eg baptism certificate (photocopies acceptable). Failure to supply the required supporting evidence will mean your child is ranked in a lower criterion which may affect your chance of a place. **If you do not have the required evidence please contact the parish where your child was baptised for a copy certificate in good time.*