

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

On **Saturday 12th September** Caritas Leicester and Leicestershire is holding a workshop at Holy Cross Church, Leicester, on the theme **"Introducing synodality to our parishes"**. It will be led by Dr Austen Ivereigh, the biographer of Pope Francis who was very involved in the synod on synodality as an invited expert, and who has given a number of these workshops. The aim of the workshop is to respond to the call by Pope Leo to become a "synodal Church", that is, one where the faithful gather to listen deeply and prayerfully to each other and thereby to open ourselves to the guidance of the Holy Spirit. All are welcome. If you'd like to know more about synodality, try looking at www.schoolforsynodality.org.uk/

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

<u>Aug 2026</u>	EUCCHARISTIC	MINISTERS		
	6 p.m.	10 a.m.		
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
8/9 August	W. Hudson	D. Stonestreet	R. Williams
15/16 August	M. Mihovilovic	S. McGlone	C. McHugh
22/23 August	C. Baldam	C. Reed	C. Goddard
29/30 August	P. Green	D. Chappell	B. Tyrrell
5/6 September	M. Atkins	M. Blake	M. Douglas



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Parish Pastoral Council Members: see photos on notice board

9th August 2026
19th Week of Ordinary Time
Mass p 114
Psalter Week 3

TIMES OF SERVICES

SUNDAY 9th: 19th of Ordinary Time

6.00pm Mass: People of the Parish

10.00am Mass: Christopher Roberts Anniv

MONDAY 10th: St Lawrence

10.00am Mass: November Dead List

TUESDAY 11th:

10.00am Mass: November Dead List

WEDNESDAY 12th: Feria

10.00am: Brian Murphy RIP (Taylor family)

THURSDAY 13th: Feria

9.40am: Rosary

10.00am: O'Malley Family Ints

Coffee after Mass

FRIDAY 14th: St Maximilian Mary Kolbe

10.00am Mass: Kathleen O'Flynn—ill (Bennett)

SATURDAY 15th: Feria

Vigil Mass: 6.00pm: November Dead List

SUNDAY 16th: THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

10.00am Mass: Allen Winter RIP (Vanessa)

Coffee after Mass

MONDAY 17th: Feria

10.00am Mass: November Dead List

TUESDAY 18th: Feria

10.00am Mass: November Dead List

WEDNESDAY 19th: Feria

10.00am: Plowright & Webb Dec'd Family



*Lord, tell me to
come to you across
the water.*

16th August 2026
20th Week of Ordinary Time
Mass p176
Psalter Week 4

CONFESSIONS
5.15pm only in
August

THURSDAY 20th: St Bernard

9.40am: Rosary

10.00am: Mary Rogers (Julia)

Coffee after Mass

FRIDAY 21st: St Pius X

10.00am Mass: November Dead List

SATURDAY 22nd: The Queenship of the Blessed

Virgin Mary

Vigil Mass: 6.00pm: Personal Int

SUNDAY 23rd: 21st of Ordinary Time

10.00am Mass: Vic Norton Anniv (Jo)

Coffee after Mass

MONDAY 24th: St Bartholomew, Apostle

10.00am Mass: November Dead List

TUESDAY 25th: Feria

10.00am Mass: November Dead List

WEDNESDAY 26th: Feria

10.00am: November Dead List

THURSDAY 27th: St Monica

9.40am: Rosary

10.00am: November Dead List

Coffee after Mass

FRIDAY 28th: St Augustine

7.00pm Mass: November Dead List

SATURDAY 29th: The Passion of St John the Baptist

Vigil Mass 6.00pm: People of the Parish

SUNDAY 30th: 22nd of Ordinary Time

10.00am Mass: Jonathan Chappell RIP Anniv. (Doreen)

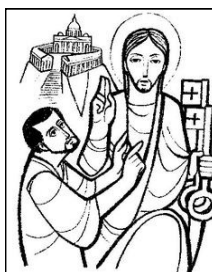
Coffee after Mass

*Woman, you
have great faith.*



23rd August 2026
21st Week of Ordinary Time
Mass p 120
Psalter Week 1

*You are Peter, and I
will give you the
keys of the Kingdom
of heaven.*



GROWING IN DISCIPLESHIP: WHY BELIEVE IN GOD?

Begins again on Tuesday 1st September

7.30pm for 7.45pm in the Octagonal Hall.

The theme for Tuesday 1st September is: **Why believe in God?**

Please note that **this is also for all Parishioners to grow in discipleship and to anyone wishing to learn more about the Catholic Faith.** Further information from Peter Green green853@btinternet.com. We believe this to be a lovely on-going initiative to our parish response to Bishop Patrick's **Five Year Plan** for the diocese.

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. I thank Fr Peter Wade for doing Masses whilst I am away.

RIDE + STRIDE SATURDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2026: Ride + Stride is the foremost annual event to raise funds for repairs and improvements to historic Churches, Chapels and Meeting Houses throughout Leicester and Leicestershire. We have benefitted from this In 2025 churches and chapels – 317 of them - opened to welcome all ride and striders. This year there will be cyclists, walkers, runners, horse riders and mobility scooter drivers being sponsored to raise money for their Church and the Leicestershire Historic Churches Trust. We welcomed visitors last year and will do so again this year. **Our Lady of Victories will be open from 10am until 4pm and we would like you to sign up for 1 hour to welcome visitors. Please sign the sheet in the cloister if you can man the Church.**

There is a **PICTURE OF THE CHURCH** in the Cloister (pre alterations) by Linda Chambers which belonged to the Titheridge family. They have both died. Their daughter Belinda would like to offer it to raise money for the Church. I am open to offers by email to Parish [Priest@olvic.com](mailto: Priest@olvic.com) please put 'Picture' in the subject line.

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