

**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](http://UKPrays.org))

**INTER CARE WITH LACY: Leicestershire Active Catholic Youth** warmly invite all young people, families and friends to join them on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March at **2.00 p.m.** in a social walk, doing laps of Knighton Park, Leicester to raise funds for **Inter Care**. **Inter Care provides free access to medical aid for vulnerable patients across sub-Saharan Africa.** Take on board as short or long a walk as you wish. All monies received will help towards medical aid for the people of Africa. **4.00 p.m.** hot drinks and cake will be provided at St. Thomas More Church, 75 Knighton Road, LE2 3HN. **5.00 p.m.** a Youth Mass - which will be celebrated for us by Fr. Simon Gillespie. (Lifts available from Knighton Park to the Church if required). The Mass will be offered for the vulnerable people of sub-Saharan South Africa. Sponsor forms available from [paulinepayne@hotmail.com](mailto:paulinepayne@hotmail.com) and [fundraising@intercare.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@intercare.org.uk). We look forward to seeing you! Help us to make this the most amazing event ever! All donations to Just Giving: <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/lacysponsoredwalk2023>.

**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 Harbourough 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](mailto: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.

		Sat. 6.00 pm	Sunday, 9.00 am	11.00 a.m.
<b>Readers</b>	11/12 February	C. Baldam	C. Goddard	M. Lane
	18/19 February	M. Mihovilovic	M. Lewin	S. McGlone

FINANCE	WEEK 5/02/23
Envelopes	£148.00
Loose	£300.11
Standing Order	761.38
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1209.49</b>

#### **COACH PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE**

County Mayo from the 7<sup>th</sup> -12 may 2023 led by Fr John Joe Maloney. A few places left. See poster for details



## **Our Lady of Victories**

Market Harborough

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Parish Pastoral Council Members: see photos on notice board

12<sup>th</sup> February 2023  
6<sup>th</sup> Week of Ordinary Time  
Psalter Week 2

### **Times of Services**

#### **Sunday: 6th of Ordinary Time**

Sat. 6.00pm: Richard Kimberlin RIP (Family)

9.00am Mass: People of the Parish

11.00am Mass: Ditri family

3.30pm Rosary

#### **Monday: Feria**

9.00am Mass: Father Richard Rowe

#### **Tuesday: Sts Cyril & Methodius, Patrons of Europe**

9.00am Mass: Gail Tumelty RIP (Malley)

#### **Wednesday: Feria**

9.45am Morning prayer

10.00am: Mary Cunningham RIP (Lowe)

#### **Thursday: Feria**

7.00pm Mass: November Dead List

No Coffee today

#### **Friday: Feria**

7.00pm: November Dead List

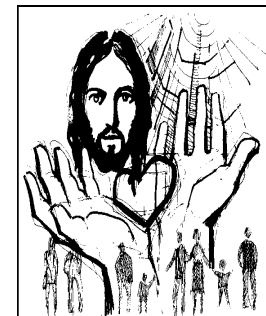
#### **Saturday: Feria**

6.00pm Mass: Clive Blencowe RIP (Angela)

#### **Sunday: 7th of Ordinary Time**

9.00am Mass: People of the Parish

11.00am Mass: Philip Green RIP



*You have learnt  
how it was said to  
our ancestors, but I  
say this to you.*

**CONFESSIONS**  
11am & 5.15pm  
**SATURDAY**

***Could you help? We had a Parish Sale on Saturday. Have a look in the Hall after Mass for anything you may want. Could you take a car full of what remains in the octagonal hall to the Household Tip on Riverside( LE16 7PT) after 11.00am Sunday Mass this week-end ?***

Dear All, we have Lent on the Horizon with Ash Wednesday on 22<sup>nd</sup> February. This season of preparation for the great grace of Easter so that we may welcome our risen Lord.

Lent

**Walk with me booklets:** These have a meditation for each day to bolster your prayer. Also available are Activity booklets and a calendar for children.

**Stations of the Cross:** 7.00pm on Fridays. Normally followed by Mass

**Holy Hour with Benediction:** Thursdays 7.00pm – 8.00pm.. This is an opportunity for the most powerful prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, Our Bishop and the Holy Father have called us to adoration before the Blessed Sacrament especially at this time.

Many graces are received before the Blessed Sacrament.

Some Lent Resources can be found at: <https://www.godwhospeaks.uk/the-god-who-speaks/focus/preparing-for-lent-and-eastertide/lent-and-eastertide-resources/>

So what will we do this Lent? Many people like to give up something for Lent. Many do something positive, like greater emphasis and time on prayer, scripture readings, charitable acts, trying to be especially kind, willing and cooperative and generally more helpful and cheerful to a family member whether as parent or child. We can make an effort to attend an extra Mass on a weekday and to come to the Stations of the Cross on a Friday evening, that lovely traditional Catholic devotion, which is so special, reflective and prayerful for a Lenten devotion. Or we can make a time to pop into Church during the day and waste some time with Jesus instead of the TV! We also have our Ecumenical prayer groups as below. Our **CAFOD Lenten fast day** will be on Friday 3rd March.

**BACK AFTER COVID!! OUR ECUMENICAL LENT FRIDAY LUNCH TIME SERVICE** on the Fridays of Lent,

In the Octagonal Hall from 12.30 – 1.00pm followed by the famous Soup etc, prepared by our Third World Group.. This is an opportunity to pray together and get to know each other.

3rd March – Harborough Anglican Team;

10th March – Baptist Church;

17th March – Congregational Church;

24th March – Harborough Community Church;

31st March – Methodist Church.



**FUNERALS:** The funeral of **Margaret Ryan (Rita)** will take place on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February at 1.00pm. The funeral of **Frank Criss** will take place on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2023 at 11.00am. His wife was formerly Lynette Thorpe.

**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:

**VICTORY PRIZE DRAW:** February 2023 Winners: 1<sup>st</sup> Prize £60 BM O'Malley ticket number 43; 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize £25 GR Bell ticket number 24; 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize £15 A Wade ticket number 213

**RETREATS IN THE DIOCESE OF NOTTINGHAM THIS LENT** – After the great success last year, The Diocese of Nottingham is again offering day retreats to help you grow closer to God this Lent through talks, discussion, prayer, Mass, confession and social time. There is a **FREE Young Adults (18-35)** retreat in Derby on **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March** given by Jack Valero (Founder of Catholic Voices) focusing on how we live our faith out in the challenges of our daily life.



**The Men's Retreat** on **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March** given by Fr Julian Green (Priest of the Archdiocese of Birmingham) will be focused on men of scripture and what we can learn from them, and the **Women's Retreat** given by Sr Ann Swailes on **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March** will be following the theme of 'Here I am Lord I Come to do your will' – How can we know and accept God's will for our lives? The Men's and Women's Retreat will be held at the Rosmini House of Prayer (LE7 4SJ) and cost £20 which will include lunch and a light breakfast. To book your place or for more information visit: [www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events](http://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events), email [adult.formation@dioceseofnottingham](mailto:adult.formation@dioceseofnottingham) or call 0115 953 9841.

**ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL PTFA** Friday 3rd March, 7pm – Quiz night at the school is back! Tickets will be £10 and you can come on your own or as part of a team. There will be fish and chips and a raffle and prizes for the winning team! You can email [rjfox31@gmail.com](mailto:rjfox31@gmail.com) to reserve your tickets. Tickets also available from the school office.

**LIVING LAUDATO SI : YOUR PARISH AND YOUR PLANET** is a weekend retreat on Zoom between Friday 17<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February, organised by the Catholic environmental project Journey to 2030. It will be introduced by Bishop Patrick and led by Sister Margaret Atkins from Boarbank Hall in Cumbria. With sessions spaced over four days, the programme features talks and discussions on Zoom, and practical activities at home, on living the message of Laudato Si' in and through your parish. For further details visit <https://journeyto2030.org/events/>

**'GOING DEEPER'** Do you want to go deeper into your Catholic spiritual life and prayer life? A monthly 'Going Deeper' gathering will continue on **Tuesday 21 February at 6.30pm** and continue thereafter on the third Tuesday of the month. It will begin in the Kavanagh Room. The main components of the meeting will be: the evening prayer of the Church; discussion of a classic text on prayer by one of the great spiritual teachers, a period of silent prayer. The plan is to finish around 8pm. For more information, email Cyprian Blamires on [cpblamires@aol.com](mailto:cpblamires@aol.com) or phone him on 01858 468224 or 07714 651756.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Our children have started their first communion sessions and each session will take place in between the Masses with the Children joining their parents and the congregation after the Liturgy of the Word. Please pray for them and their Catechists.

