

**HOLY BOUR AND BENEDICTION:** We continue our holy Hour on Thursdays: With Exposition from 7.00pm: There will be some meditations and finishing with Benediction about 7.50pm. The Eucharist and the Real presence of our Lord in is so important for us. The opportunity to come and pray with Our Lord when the Blessed Sacrament exposed is a source of special graces. *For families with Children Why not one of the parents come and pray for the whole family for a time during the hour.*



**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 the box)  
Stall Holders: It's time to start planning and preparing.

Enquiries: Alan Sear 07850-252064

#### **BITS AND PIECES STALL**

Require TOILETRIES and NEW ITEMS suitable for presents for their stall.  
There is a box marked 'BITS AND PIECES' for this stall in the Cloister. Many thanks.

FINANCE	5/11/23
Envelopes	£202.20
Loose	£257.59
Standing Order	£761.38
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1221.17</b>

	READERS		
	Sat. 6.00pm	Sunday	10.00am
11 /12 Nov	J. Rowland	M. Crook	C. Goddard
18 /19 Nov	J. Snaith	D. Chappell	B. Tyrrell



# *Our Lady of Victories*

Market Harborough

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*12th November 2023  
32nd Week of Ordinary Time  
Psalter Week 4*

## **TIMES OF SERVICES**

### **Sunday: 32nd of Ordinary Time**

6.00pm Mass: November Dead List  
10.00am Mass: Dave Hill RIP (Penney)  
11.00am Cenotaph in Town

*Coffee after Mass*

3.00pm: Blessing of graves

### **Monday: Feria**

**12noon: Funeral Les Turek**

### **Tuesday: Feria**

**8.00am Mass: David Morgan RIP (Lowe)**

### **Wednesday: Feria**

7.00pm Mass: Special Mass of Remembrance for those who have died

### **Thursday: Feria**

9.45am: Rosary  
10.00am Mass: Blessings on Maria

*Coffee after Mass*

7.00pm: Holy Hour

### **Friday: St Hugh of Lincoln, Patron of our Diocese**

7.00pm Mass: November Dead List said by Fr Michael

### **Saturday: Feria**

1.00pm Wedding of Violet Cash & Noel Devlin

6.00pm Mass: Norman Phillips RIP (family)

### **Sunday: 33rd of Ordinary Time**

10.00am Mass: People of the Parish



*The bridegroom is  
here: go out and  
meet him.*

## **CONFESSIONS**

**11.00am  
5.15pm**

**FR CHRIS WRITES:** We have the Funeral Mass for **Les Turek** a son of this Parish on Monday midday. He only has a brother and sister in Law in the family. So it would be good to have as many as possible to pray for him. Also we have our Mass of remembrance for all the dead this week on Wednesday at 7pm. Blessing of graves at 3.00pm this Sunday. Browns have been at work sorting out the many draughts in the church particularly up high. There were many gaps found which together made a rather large open window!! Also they are going to try to make the doors more windproof. We have 3 arches to do on the Fairfield Rd side and the area by the sacred heart. Please note Mass times this week.

Also **REMEMBERING ALL OUR DEPARTED LOVED ONES:** You are all invited to a **SPECIAL MASS OF REMEMBRANCE** in Church on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> 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.

**"CAFOD Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal:** Donate to CAFOD's Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal at [cafod.org.uk/ipc](http://cafod.org.uk/ipc) or call 0303 303 3030 to support those affected and get funds to local trusted experts in Gaza and southern Israel who have been working alongside communities helping those most in need. Your donation will help support aid workers providing urgent humanitarian aid including food, water and emergency shelter to those in need. Thank you for your prayers."

**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](mailto: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.

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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://www.teamsgb.org.uk)

A reminder that In preparation for the Jubilee Year 2025 Nottingham Deanery is hosting a series of talks, open to all, two of which are still to be held: Doctor Mary McCaughey, **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November**, at Our Lady of Good Counsel parish hall, Eastwood NG16 2AQ, speaking about **Gaudium et Spes**, the constitution about the Church in the world, at 7.20pm. **Please note the change of time and place – owing to road closures in Stapleford.** I'm pleased to say that the talks will also be streamed via YouTube on the diocesan website, and can be found on the Home page at: [www.youtube.com/@NottsDiocese](http://www.youtube.com/@NottsDiocese)

**Victory Prize Draw: November 23 winners:**

1st Prize £60; T Ruane ticket number 26;  
2nd Prize £25 T Ruane ticket number 18;  
3rd Prize £15; GJ Cottrell ticket number 221