

**JUBILEE FOOD BANK:** You are asked to leave food bank items in the trolleys at various supermarkets when you shop. Henderson Connellan on the High Street, Spar on Coventry Road, Eco Village, Sainsbury's, Waitrose, Both Coop supermarkets, B&M, Everyone's Active: Leisure Centre of <https://www.jubileefoodbankmh.uk/>

**Shopping List: MOST NEEDED:** (In order of how urgent they are.) **Jars of sandwich paste (such as salmon or chicken paste), Dried mashed potato (e.g., Smash), Tinned carrots Fray Bentos pies, UHT Milk (semi-skimmed or full fat) Tinned Rice Pudding, Tinned Custard, Tinned Fruit, Juice Drinks & Cordial, Jam**

**Suggested Food Donations:** Tinned carrots, Crackers, Fray Bentos Pies, Tinned sweetcorn, Tinned Peas, Mayonnaise, Hot dogs (tinned/jarred), Tinned Potatoes, Snacks, Smash, Sugar (small bags if possible, 500g), Pasta sauce, Sandwich Paste, Tinned chicken in sauce, Tinned red meat (bolognese, mince, stewed, chili, corned, ham...), Beans (red kidney beans, chick-peas...), Marmalade, Snacks (snack bars, small bags of nuts, dried fruit...), Porridge oats, Shampoo, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Shower gel, Feminine products--sanitary towels and tampons, Used, clean, strong 'bags for life', strong carrier bags, Jars or pouches of baby food, Packets of Rice (500g if possible), Fruit (tinned), Cereal, Jars of curry sauce to go with rice, Biscuits, Tinned potatoes, Tinned meatballs, Jars of coffee, Hot chocolate,, Mild curry sauces,, Packet Rice

**We don't currently need:** Baked beans, Soup, Chopped tomatoes, Tinned pasta, Fish, Dried pasta

**CHRISTMAS BAZAAR 2023**

Date for your diaries: Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2023  
9.00am until 3.00pm

Our Christmas Bazaar was so very successful last year. We have, therefore, decided to use our Church rooms again this year.

Would you like to help this year?  
If so, please put a note through Fr Chris's letterbox  
Together with your contact details.  
We'll get in touch with you to discuss.

For further information, please contact:  
Alan Sear (Chairman) on: 07850 252064.

Readers		Sat. 6.00pm	Sunday, 9.00am	11.00am
	29/30 July	C. Baldam	C. Goddard	P. Green
	5/6 August	M. Mihovilovic	M. Lewin	B. Tyrrell

FINANCE	23/07/23
Envelopes	£335.00
Loose	£279.37
Standing Order	£761.38
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1375.75</b>

The funeral of Pat **Quirke** will be on **Thursday 10th August at 11.00am.** Our Condolences to Mick & all the family



# Our Lady of Victories

Market Harborough

30th July 2023  
17th Week of Ordinary Time  
Psalter Week 1

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## Times of Services

### Sunday: 17th of Ordinary Time

6.00pm Mass: People of the Parish  
9.00am Mass: Monica Byrne RIP (Goddard)  
11.00am Mass: Alfredo Alejandro (anniv)

### Monday: St Ignatius of Loyola

9.00am: Mass: Monsignor Peter Wilson

### Tuesday: St Alphonsus Liguori

9.00am Mass: Vic Norton RIP Anniv

### Wednesday: Feria

9.45am: Morning Prayer  
10.00am Mass: Justin Abbott - well being (Barbara & Ian)

### Thursday: Feria

9.45am: Rosary  
10.00pm Mass: Pat Curran RIP Anniv (Family)  
Coffee after Mass  
7.00pm: Holy Hour

### Friday: St John Vianney

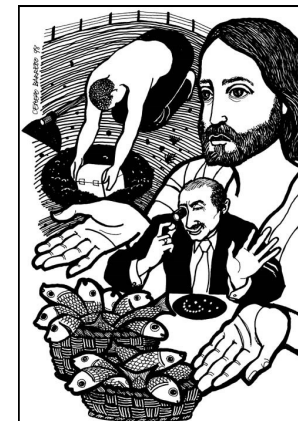
7.00pm Mass: Erica Tierney RIP (Patrick)

### Saturday: Feria

6.00pm Mass: Maria's Int (Izabella & Anita)

### Sunday: 18th of Ordinary Time

9.00am Mass: People of the Parish  
11.00am Mass: John & Joan Masding 60th Wedding



*They will eat  
and have some  
leftover.*

**CONFESSIONS**  
11am & 5.15pm  
Saturday

**FR CHRIS WRITES: The Presentation sisters:** I have had a communication from the leadership team of the presentation sisters in this province To say that the sisters here have been assigned two other communities and at the convent here will close in due course. The sisters are sorry to leave Market Harborough after so many years of serving the Parish community and school. We will of course have a mass of Thanksgiving when everything is finalised. Please keep the sisters in your prayers.



At the 11.00am Mass Anise Olivier will receive her First Holy Communion. We congratulate Anise and all her family. Also, on 9th August we have the wedding of Thomas Blair & Matilda Biddle at 2.00pm.

I shall be away from 14 August until the end of the month. Fr Peter Wade had kindly agreed to supply here.

**AN INITIATIVE TO SUPPORT THE FOODBANK:** As a beginning of our 'Faith in Action' initiative within the community, we approached the Jubilee Food bank organisers to see if Our Lady of Victories could be of any assistance to them. They felt our fairly central location would offer a convenient reception and collection point for their clients' food parcels. There was general agreement we should trial this, in the first instance providing a once weekly 2 hour session from 12.00 - 2.00pm on a Tuesday. We hope to get underway on September 5th, 2023. We envisage a couple of volunteers being required for each weekly session to deal with the parcels, with the potential for a further weekly session if there is support for the venture. Could any one who feels able to give a couple of hours of their time, weekly or fortnightly, in this respect, contact Brendan O'Malley (phone 01858 462890) or Father Chris in the near future.

**PRO-LIFE PILGRIMAGE ARCHBISHOP KEVIN McDONALD** will lead a pilgrimage to Walsingham on Saturday 5th August under the theme 'Accepting the Gift' in reparation and prayer for the sanctity of life. See poster.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** As we are returning to one Mass on a Sunday morning at 10.00am, we are hoping to start Children's Liturgy again. However we will need volunteers. Two are needed for each session. They will follow the pattern of school terms If you would like to help, please contact Fr. Chris via the Parish email. [parishpriest@olvic.com](mailto:parishpriest@olvic.com) As this involves Children we have to do a DBS check and follow our Safer Recruiting procedures.



**WORLD YOUTH DAY (WYD)** takes place in Lisbon from Tuesday 1st August, until Sunday 6th August, and for the first time in many years a group of Young Adults from the Diocese of Nottingham will attend WYD, accompanied by Bishop Patrick and Fathers Neil, Liam and Limnyuy. WYD is a gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope; a pilgrimage, a celebration of youth, and a powerful expression of the universal Church. Follow this historical journey of our young diocesan pilgrims by visiting [www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/news/wyd](http://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/news/wyd) which features links to live streams, reflections, schedules and more.

**CHANGE TO SUNDAY MASS: on weekend 16/17 September.** At the moment we have two Masses on a Sunday morning. This came about because of COVID and the need to be socially distant at Mass to keep everyone safe. Our Parish was one of the first to reopen and it was brilliantly done. A big thank you to all involved to make that possible. However, our normal practice has been to have just the one Sunday morning Mass at Our Lady's. I have been consulting the PPC (and other Parishioners) and we feel it is now the time to return to one Mass for the good of the community of the Parish and other reasons.

The primary reason is to bring people together as a community to pray and worship in the best way possible. It will help us to have enough readers and indeed welcomers collectors and so on. Also, hopefully we will be able to recommence our Children's Liturgy group as well as Sunday Coffee.

I have also consulted with the deanery and the Bishop. We must decide these things together so that the needs of all the deanery Parishes are met. There are less priests now and many Parishes in Leicester are sharing a Priest sometimes two Parishes, sometimes three. The diocesan plan for our Parish of Market Harborough leaves us as a single Parish. However, I have to be able to support other Parishes on occasion such as sickness.

**We have decided now to return to our traditional time of 10.00am on Sunday morning as well as the 6.00pm Saturday night from the weekend of 16/17<sup>th</sup> September.** We have discerned that this is the best time for the Parish. However, if the needs of the Deanery demand it in the future, we may have to move to another time. We are blessed that we will have 2 weekend Masses at our Parish when many just have one. My thanks for all who have helped discern this decision.

Since we are returning to Sunday 10.00am Mass, we hope to restart our **SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE** after Mass in September. I wonder, is there someone who may be interested in coordinating this Community activity. We will then look for Volunteers for a rota.



**FROM ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL:** We wish all of the children and families at St Joseph's Catholic Academy a very happy and restful summer break. **We look forward to welcoming our children back to school on Thursday 31st August.** Good luck to all of our Year 6 children moving on to Secondary School - continue to 'believe, achieve and succeed' in all you do.

**HOLIDAY AT HOME:** A week of activities and entertainment for seniors, August 7th to 11th at the Methodist Church, £6 per day or £30 for the week. Two course hot lunch, tea, coffee and biscuits included. To book, phone 01858 410878, if no reply please leave a message with your name and phone number.

**HOLY HOUR 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?*

