

PARISH FEAST: MOTHER OF GOD LEICESTER

Eight days fasting in connection with the Nativity of our Lady (Ettu Noimpu). Will be the main feast of the Mother of God church (English and Malayalam community).

Feast Days: September 1 - 8.

Person(s) and/or family members who are interested to take up ettu noimpu (Ettu Noimpu) celebrations in a special way (presenti or sponsors) are encouraged to come forward. There can be more than one presentities on each day. Each presentiti has to contribute a minimum of £100.

Please see poster in church porch for full details of celebrations.



To Our Blessed Mother

We fly to your protection, most holy Mother of God;

please listen to our petitions and needs, and deliver us from all dangers,

ever glorious and blessed Virgin Mary. Mary, our model and mother,

by your obedience and patience you have taught us how to be true children of God.

Please help us by your powerful assistance to overcome all our weaknesses,

and to fulfill perfectly our tasks in life. By your compassionate aid may we ever

stand in spirit with you beneath the cross of Christ so that we may also rejoice

with you in your divine Son's triumphant victory over sin and death.

In your maternal kindness help us to be faithful

to prayers in the company of God's Church as you were one with the Apostles

in the upper room as you waited for the promised Spirit of Pentecost.

With your gracious assistance may we be near you in the glory of Christ's kingdom

come to sing with you and all the faithful the eternal praise of God.

Amen.

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	<p>Our Schools: Christ the King Primary - 0116 2857261 www.ctlk.org/p_Home.ikml English Martyrs' Secondary - 0116 2428880 - www.emschool.co.uk/</p> <p>Parish Hall Bookings: please contact Vinod Thomas on 07527829413 or email moghallbooking@gmail.com</p>	



*Twenty-Second Sunday
of Ordinary Time*

*1st – 8th
September 2019*

World Day of Prayer for the Creation

Sunday 1.09	10am 4pm	Flag Hoisting - Parish Feast begins Bridie O'Grady RIP Malayalam Community	Sirach 3:17-18,20,28-29 Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24 Luke 14:1,7-14
Monday 2.09	10am 5.30pm	Requiem Mass - Bridie O'Grady RIP Malayalam Mass	1 Thess 4:13-18 Luke 4:16-30
Tue 3.09	10am 5.30pm	Kathleen Durkin RIP Malayalam Mass	1 Thess 5:1-6,9-11 Luke 4:31-37
Wed 4.09	10am 5.30pm	Bridie O'Grady RIP Malayalam Mass	Coloss 1:1-8 Luke 4:38-44
Thu 5.09	10am 5.30pm	Bridie O'Grady RIP Malayalam Mass	Coloss 1:9-14 Luke 5:1-11
Friday 6.09	10am 5.30pm	Bridie O'Grady RIP Malayalam Mass	Coloss 1:15-20 Luke 5:33-39
Sat 7.09	10am 5.30pm	Bridie O'Grady RIP Malayalam Mass	Coloss 1:21-23 Luke 6:1-5
Sunday 8.09	10.30am 3pm	English Mass Nativity of Our Lady Malayalam Mass	Wisdom 9:13-18 Philemon 1:9-10,12-17 Luke 14:25-33

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 1 hour each day before weekly Mass.
Adoration, Rosary and Marian chants will continue after English Mass,
until starting of Malayalam Mass, from Monday to next Sunday,
The Feast of the Nativity of Our Lady.

Sacrament of Reconciliation after Mass on Saturday, or whenever required.

Feasts of the week:

Tuesday, St Gregory the Great, pope and doctor, Apostle of the English.

Bridie O'Grady RIP. Requiem Mass on Monday 2nd September at 10am, followed by burial at Gilroes Cemetery. Our deepest and sincere condolences to her family and friends.

Betty Etuokwu RIP. Reception of the Body on Thursday 12th September at 6pm. Funeral Mass on Friday 13th September at 10am. Our deepest and sincere condolences to her family and friends.

Today, Sunday 1 September marks the "World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation." This day of prayer was instituted in the Catholic Church in 2015 by Pope Francis, although it has been celebrated in the Orthodox church since 1989.

It also marks the start of the "Season of Creation," which unites Christians in prayer and action for the protection of our common home. The Season of Creation ends on 4 October, the feast day of St Francis of Assisi. During this season we are encouraged to deepen our relationship with God, our neighbour and the earth we share, being ever more attentive to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.

Especially at this time, with attention on the fires in the Amazon Rainforest, we pray for those in positions of power and influence to be effective 'guardians of God's creation,' which includes all of us who exercise influence as consumers. We also pray for those who are involved in the preparations for the Synod on the Amazon, that their discussions will be fruitful in highlighting the challenges faced in the region and bringing more people to the Good News of Jesus Christ.

We all have our part to play in caring for our common home, and in our recent statement, "Guardians of God's Creation" we encourage a Christian spirituality of ecology, and a call to a new lifestyle, beginning in personal and family life. As disciples, we are invited to be part of the redeeming mission of Christ and to approach our task with joy and gratitude. "Rather than a problem to be solved, the world is a joyful mystery to be contemplated with gladness and praise [Laudato Si', 12]." We invite you to pray with us, especially on 1 September, but throughout the Season of Creation.

Churches Together in Leicestershire. Summer get together: Praise in the Park. Sunday 1st September at 4pm, in Western Park near Bandstand. Led by St Anne's Band with an Open the Book Presentation. Everyone is invited, please join us!

Rosary Rally at Mount St. Bernard Abbey, Oaks Rd, Coalville, LE67 5UL, Sunday 1st September. 2pm Mass - break for picnic - 4pm Crowning of Our Lady, Procession, Exposition and Benediction, Blessing of the Sick. Main celebrant: Fr Colin Patey.

Mass for Catholics working in Healthcare: Saturday 7th September at 11.30am at St. Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham. For anyone who works in a role which supports the delivery of our greatly valued Health and Care Services, you are welcome to attend the Mass and will have also the opportunity to meet others who work in the health and care sectors across the Diocese. The Mass will also recognise the work of all Hospitals and Hospice Chaplains.

Churches Ride and Stride event. Saturday 14th September. This year is the 30th anniversary of the event. A group from Mother of God go on this walk every year. This year we are doing the city area churches, leaving Mother of God at 09.30am on Saturday 14th September. Anyone wishing to join us, please see Ted or John at the back of church at Sunday morning mass.

Pugin: Lost and Found - Guided Tour An informative guided tour of the St Barnabas Cathedral to explore some of the original and the restored architectural details designed by Pugin, including the beautiful Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Tours start at 11.15am and 12.45pm on Saturday 21st September. Places are limited, so please book via Eventbrite: www.pugintour.eventbrite.co.uk

Fully escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 30th September 2019. £599.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight with 10kg hand luggage, all transfers, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with Full Board. All entertainment and excursions included. Wheelchair accessible rooms in the hotel. Limited single rooms at supplement of £100. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com. Knock Pilgrimages is a member of the Travel Trust Association and is fully protected by ATOL T7613. **See Poster.**

Financial details: Loose Plate £170.33. Envelopes £214. Mass Intentions £50. Thank you very much for your generous donations.

300 Club: 25th August £100 D Greaves (186). £50 K Fowkes (116). £25 Mr A Hunt (36), Mrs M Bobs (75).

EU Settlement Scheme: The United Kingdom is due to leave the European Union on 31st October 2019, with or without an agreement governing this departure and the ongoing future relationship between the UK & the EU. The Catholic Church in England and Wales stands in solidarity with all EU citizens who have made their home here, many of whom are an integral and valued part of our parishes, schools and communities, including here in the Diocese of Nottingham. The Church has experienced first-hand the extensive contribution that people from across Europe have made to our society and recognises the evidence that immigration from the rest of Europe, and from further afield, has not undermined opportunities for British citizens, but rather has brought considerable economic and social benefits. However, the law concerning the free movement of people will be changing as a result of decisions taken since the referendum on the UK's membership of the EU, and **EU, EEA & Swiss citizens must apply to the settlement scheme** if they are to protect their existing rights and place in our society. British citizens & Irish citizens do not need to apply. There is no fee for applying to this scheme - it is free of charge. Please visit gov.uk/settled-status-eu-citizens-families for more information.

Thought for the week: "If we could read the secret history of our enemies, we should find in each man's life sorrow and suffering enough to disarm all hostility."
~ Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Pope Francis September Intentions: Universal - Politicians, Scientists and Economists. That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.