



CAFOD Family Fast Day is on Friday 6th March 2020.

This Lent, please support the life-saving work of local experts like Sister Consilia in Zimbabwe who gives vital medication at her health centre. CAFOD are unable to support 1 in 3 who ask for help, simply because we don't have enough money for everyone. But together, we can help more people. Your prayers and generosity mean that together we can reach out in love to every vulnerable member of God's family. Thanks to your support, we can strive to make sure no one is beyond reach of that love, help and support they need to flourish.

CAFOD has a daily reflect/pray/act approach to global social justice
<https://cafod.org.uk/Pray/Lent-Calendar>

Election of members to the Parish Pastoral Council

We are planning to have an election for parish committee. Many members of the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) have now come to the end of their term of office and it is therefore time to hold new elections. If you are interested in supporting your parish in this way, please submit your name to Fr. George and pick up the Diocese of Nottingham document which gives important details of how the PPCs operate so that you understand what the role entails. The closing date for nominations is 8th March. There will be 12 members in the parish committee of which 6 members will be elected and 6 members nominated by the parish priest. You can nominate someone if they are willing to stand for the election and if they have given you their consent. Up to six members are elected by the congregation and in the event that there are more than six nominations, then there will be a ballot of the parishioners to select the six to go forward on to the new PPC.

We thank all the committee members for their kindness and cooperation in their term.



Prayer for the Year of the Word...

**Living God,
you walk alongside us
and speak to us throughout the Scriptures.**

**Your Son, Jesus Christ,
listens to our hopes and fears
and shows us how to live for one another.**

**Send us the Holy Spirit
to open our hearts and minds
so that we may be your witnesses
throughout the world.**

Amen.



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Our Schools:

Christ the King Primary - 0116 2857261 - www.ctlk.ik.org/p_Home.ikml
English Martyrs' Secondary - 0116 2428880 - www.emschool.co.uk/

Parish Hall Bookings: please contact 07586700914



*7th Sunday in
Ordinary Time*

*23rd February
1st March 2020*

Sunday 23.02	10.30am 4pm	The Holy Souls St. Stephen Ward (Malayalam) K.M. Kuruvila Kumbuckal - Paulgy & Regy Family Thanks. - Emil Varghese Birthday	Leviticus 19:1-2,17-18 1 Corinth 3:16-23 Matthew 5:38-48
Monday 24.02	5.30pm	No Service in the morning Malayalam Service - Lent begins.	
Tue 25.02	10am	Departed Souls	James 4:1-10 Mark 9:30-37
Wed 26.02	9am 10.30am 6pm	Holy Mass at St. Edwards - Aylestone ASH WEDNESDAY (MOG) Barbara (thanksgiving) (MOG)	Joel 2:12-18 2 Corinth 5:20-6:2 Matthew 6:1-6,16-18
Thu 27.02	10am	David Kennedy RIP	Deut 30:15-20 Luke 9:22-25
Friday 28.02	10am	Jack Frith RIP	Isaiah 58:1-9 Matthew 9:14-15
Sat 29.02	10am	Bridget Nugent RIP	Isaiah 58:9-14 Luke 5:27-32
Sunday 1.03	10.30am 4pm	Bridget & Bernard Holohan RIP Soji & Family thanksgiving	Genesis 2:7-9-3:1-7 Romans 5:12-19 Matthew 4:1-11

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 1 hour each day before weekly Mass.
Sacrament of Reconciliation after Mass on Saturday, or whenever required.**

ASH WEDNESDAY and beginning of LENT on Wednesday 26th February.



Stations of the Cross every Friday after morning Mass.

Another Day for Catholic Women on Saturday 29th February at St Joseph's, Leicester. Catholic Women share their experience, understandings and vision for our Catholic Church through interviews representing the diverse cultures that make up our universal Church and are currently living here in the United Kingdom. There is no charge for the day although lunch is available at £3.50. To book a place telephone 0116 220 7881 or email Alison.CWS@outlook.com or CatherineMaryBrady@gmail.com.

Join Bishop Patrick in this Year of the Word event on Sat March 7th beginning at 7.45 pm: "Experience the spiritual and artistic grandeur of Bach's great reading of Christ's passion in St. Barnabas Cathedral". Tickets available online from www.nottinghamcathedralmusic.com or Nottingham Tourism Centre underneath the Council House. **See poster in church porch.**

National Novena to St Joseph - 10th-18th March. The Novena takes place at St Joseph's Church Maidenhead and at Herbert House, Liverpool. Each year the Mill Hill Missionaries prepare for the Feast of St Joseph, their patron, with a special novena of Masses and prayers to ask for God's blessing on their Society and the missionary outreach of the church, as well as for all those who support their work. Please send in your petitions and /or request a novena booklet to enable you to join in from home by praying the daily novena. Email: novena@millhillmissionaries.com.

AFTERNOON TEA - come and share what you want to do with your one wonderful life, for women 18 + at Nottingham on Saturday, 14th March 2020 2.30 - 4pm at The Old Friary Gordon Road, St. Ann's, Nottingham NG3 2LG. More information from Sr Maureen or Sr Susan OR the Vocation Office at the Old Friary nottinghamvocations@hotmail.co.uk.

FAITH INTO ACTION: A day to build social action in the Diocese of Nottingham on Saturday 28 March 2020, Cathedral Hall, Nottingham. Nottingham Diocese is joining Caritas, the Church's worldwide ministry of charity. Soon our parish will be part of one of the biggest humanitarian organisations on the planet - and you are invited to be part of it. Join Bishop Patrick, Caritas Social Action Network, the diocesan Justice & Peace Commission and Catholics from all round our diocese. It is a day to take practical steps, in parishes and chaplaincies across the diocese, to bring the Gospel to life. Details and booking from dioceseofnottingham.uk/faithintoaction, or call 07470 907656 for further information.

Easter Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, 8th April 2020. £649.00 per person. Single supp £100.00. Flight with 10kg bag, 5 nights' Knock House Hotel with breakfast and dinner. All excursions included. Lunches on days out. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com. Knock Pilgrimages ATOL T7613.

Coronavirus Advice from the Public Health Office and the Bishop...

- Cover mouth and nose while sneezing or coughing, and regular washing of hands.
- If you feel uncomfortable, for the moment, about shaking hands at the sign of peace, then bow to the other person and say: 'Peace be with you'.
- If a parishioner feels uncomfortable, for the moment, about receiving from the chalice, then they could refrain from doing so.

• **DIRECTOR OF INCLUSION.** We are seeking to recruit a Director of Inclusion to this highly successful over-subscribed 11-18 Catholic School. If you are interested please download the application on www.eteach.com or email: Recruitment@englishmartyrs.org. Closing date: Friday 28th February 2020 at 9am. Interviews will be held on Wednesday 11th March 2020.

• **TEACHER OF MATHEMATICS** - Required September 2020. The academy seeks to recruit a Teacher of Mathematics to this highly successful over-subscribed 11-18 Catholic School, enriched by its Arts specialism. If you are interested in applying please download the application forms on www.eteach.com or email: Recruitment@englishmartyrs.org. The closing date is: Friday 28th February at 9am. Interviews will be held on Thursday 5th March 2020.

• **VACANCY:** Opportunity to work for Marriage Care. For more information please visit www.marriagecare.org.uk/get-involved. Closing date is 27th February.

• **VACANCY:** The directors of the Nottingham Roman Catholic Education Service are seeking to appoint an Assistant Director to take a leading role in the continuing development of all areas of Catholic Life within our diocesan schools. Full details are available at www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/education/recruitment/diocesan-education-service Closing date: 2 April 2020. **Posters in church porch.**

Are you interested in a career in teaching? Our Catholic primary schools are looking for educators to help our young people to grow in their faith. Our dedicated School Direct route guarantees a placement in a faith school and is run by an outstanding provider of Initial Teacher Training. If you have a degree in any subject, contact teachingschool@ctk.leicester.sch.uk for more information.

Financial details: Loose Plate £219.91. Envelopes £415.20. Donations £20. Thank you very much for your generous donations.

300 Club: 16th February £50 B Hickinbotham (39). £25 Miss E Letts (71), M Myers (195),



Thought for the week: "Convictions are more dangerous enemies of truth than lies." ~ Friedrich Nietzsche



Please keep in your prayers all the sick and housebound people of the parish. If you know of anyone who would like a visit from Father George, please let him know.

Pope Francis February Intentions: Listen to the Migrants' Cries.

We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.



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