



A Time of prayer and reflection in preparation for the Resurrection of Jesus Christ

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



Let's FAST and PRAY this LENT.....lets change the WORLD
Scripture says that the prayer of one does much. (James 5:16)
Therefore, the prayer of many together will be more powerful still.



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Parish Hall Bookings: please contact 07586700914

Pope Francis March Intentions:

Catholics in China. We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.



15th - 22nd March 2020



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.



LENTEN PRAYER

Almighty and Everlasting God,
You have given the human race
Jesus Christ our Saviour as a model of humility.

He fulfilled Your will by becoming man
and giving His life on the Cross.

Help us to bear witness to You
by following His example of suffering
and make us worthy to share in His Resurrection.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son.
Amen.

Sunday 15.03	10.30am 4pm	Frank Devlin RIP Malayalam Mass	Exodus 17:3-7 Romans 5:1-2,5-8 John 4:5-42
Monday 16.03	10am	Jozefa Radczak RIP	2 Kings 5:1-15 Luke 4:24-30
Tue 17.03		No Service	
Wed 18.03	6pm	Rodrick Hynes RIP Anyimma Joy RIP	Deuteronomy 4:1,5-9 Matthew 5:17-19
Thu 19.03	10am	Feast of St. Joseph Philip Valiyaveetilparambil RIP	2 Samuel 7:4-5,12-14,16 Romans 4:13,16-18,22 Matthew 1:16,18-21,24
Friday 20.03	10am	Anu Sijo ints	Hosea 14:2-10 Mark 12:28-34
Sat 21.03	10am	People of the Parish	Hosea 6:1-6 Luke 18:9-14
Sunday 22.03	10.30am 4pm	David & Mairead Collins 40 th Wedd Anniv. Malayalam Mass	1 Samuel 16:1,6-7,10-13 Ephesians 5:8-14 John 9:1-41

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

Feasts of the week: Tuesday, St Patrick, Patron of Ireland.
Thursday, St. Joseph, Spouse of the BVM.



Stations of the Cross every Friday after morning Mass.

CORONAVIRUS PRECAUTIONS: Amongst the precaution measures:

- refrain from physical sign of peace;
 - advised to suspend distribution of both kinds of Communion, the host to be given on the hand only;
 - No Holy water stoups.
 - No tea/coffee in the Hall.
 - No Hymn Books
- Full guidelines in the porch

Rosmini Centre: Saturday 21st March 10 am to 4 pm. Lenten Retreat Day Guidance, Mass, Adoration. Lunch provided. Suggested donation £20.

LEICESTERSHIRE ACTIVE CATHOLIC YOUTH (LACY) will be meeting once again with the LACY Working Group at St. Mary's, Countesthorpe Road, South Wigston, LE18 4PG on Wednesday 18th March 2020, 7.30pm - 9pm to discuss upcoming and future events sharing "Faith and Fun". A warm welcome is extended to anyone interested in working with this group to spread the Gospel amongst our young people! We're looking for new ideas to attract and inspire! People of all ages are welcome to come along! More information from Pauline if required - paulinepayne@hotmail.com.

FAITH INTO ACTION: A day to build social action in the Diocese of Nottingham on Saturday 28 March 2020, Cathedral Hall, Nottingham. The 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.

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 nottinghamvocations@hotmail.co.uk.

Pre St. Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday 15th March 2020 starting at 12 noon. Leicester celebrates St Patrick's Day 2020 with a celebration parade taking place the Sunday before. The parade will start at 12 noon from the back of Holy Cross Church on New Walk finishing at Jubilee Square around 1pm. More detail from 0116 2769186.

St. Patrick's Day Mass on Tuesday 17th March, St. Patrick's, Beaumont Leys Lane, Leicester. The celebrant will be Rt. Rev. Ralph Heskett, Bishop of Hallam.

Youth Ministry. Are you interested in working with young adults? The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies Youth Module is being held on Saturday 28th March 2020 at Our Lady and St Patrick's Church Hall, Launder Street, The Meadows, Nottingham NG2 1 JQ starting at 9.30am until 4.30pm. Outcomes of the module are; to have a basic understanding of youth culture. Costs is £25 for non CCRS students. Please book in to: adult.formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk

52nd International Eucharistic Congress. Is taking place this year in Budapest from the 14th - 21st September 2020. It is hoped that the Diocese of Nottingham will be represented so if you would like to go, Tangney Tours are organising pilgrimages - this event offers a deep spiritual experience along with cultural programmes. It brings together people from all over the world. For more information and costs see details at the back of church or visit: www.iec2020.hu or www.tangney-tours.com/iec-2020

NEW ENVELOPES

NEW ENVELOPES ARE NOW AVAILABLE.

Anyone not on the list for envelopes and would like a set, please fill in a form at the back of the church. If any of your details have currently changed, please pass on your new data. If you would like to use a standing order instead of envelopes, please speak to Mary Uczniak. If you are a tax payer, the church can gain an additional 25% of your contributions at no cost to yourself - only your signature is needed!

Financial details: Loose Plate £135.80. Envelopes £200.25. Mass Intentions £60. 300 Club £2,700, St Alphonsa £600. Funeral £150. Thank you very much for your generous donations.

Our parish raised a fantastic **£613.64** for **CAFOD's Family Fast Day**. Your support will help ensure no one is beyond reach of the love and care they need to flourish. Thank you for fasting in solidarity, and please keep our sisters and brothers in your prayers throughout Lent.

300 Club: 8th March £50 V Joseph (78). £25 Mr. N Phelan (132), T Dwyer (268).

VACANCY: The governors of Bishop Ellis Catholic Primary School, Leicester LE4 8GP are seeking to appoint a new headteacher. Further details available on www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/education/recruitment/primary-school-vacancies Visits to the school can be arranged by calling Sarah Kennedy at the school office on 0116 269 5510. Closing Date: 2 April 2020

Pilgrimage to Lourdes with Bishop Patrick. Travelling to Lourdes by air and train. 12th - 17th July. For details, please contact Fr. Simon Gillespie, The Presbytery, Hallam Road, Southwell, Notts NG25 0AD. Tel. 07760372105. Email: simon@nottinghamcatholic.com.



Thought for the week: "If someone thinks that peace and love are just a cliché that must have been left behind in the 60s, that's a problem. Peace and love are eternal." ~ **John Lennon** (1940-1980)

Counters
Needed



Would you have 1 hour a month to help count the Church weekly collection? We currently count directly after 10.30 Mass. There is a rota in place, which at the moment is every 4th Sunday to count. We are looking to strengthen our team. Monies have to be recorded and then prepared for banking, training would be given! If you think you could help, please speak to Mary Uczniak or Bernice O' Rourke.