



"It is now necessary that we reflect together as a diocese on our varying experiences. Share your story: How has Covid-19 Affected You and Your Faith?" How has Covid-19 affected you and your Faith? Bishop Patrick would like to know more about peoples' experiences of the pandemic, with a view to ensuring that the faithful are well supported and understood in the years ahead. Please visit www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/ whats-on/news/share-your-story-how-has-covid-19-affected-you-and-your-faith and fill the questionnaire. **The deadline for submissions is July 4th 2021.** When you do the survey click onto the Nottingham Diocese. Please encourage other parishioners to do so.

Pope Francis June Intentions - The beauty of marriage. Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.

Words of the Holy Father

Why are you afraid? Have you no faith? Faith begins when we realise we are in need of salvation. We are not self-sufficient; by ourselves we founder: we need the Lord, like ancient navigators needed the stars. Let us invite Jesus into the boats of our lives. Let us hand over our fears to him so that he can conquer them. Like the disciples, we will experience that with him on board there will be no shipwreck. Because this is God's strength: turning to the good everything that happens to us, even the bad things. He brings serenity into our storms, because with God life never dies. (Extraordinary moment of Prayer during pandemic, 27 March 2020)



Please remember in your prayers all the sick and housebound people of the parish.

Prayer for the Church

Heavenly Father,
 look upon our community of faith
 which is the Church of your Son, Jesus Christ.
 Help us to witness to his love
 by loving all our fellow creatures without exception.
 Under the leadership
 of the Holy Father and the Bishops
 keep us faithful to Christ's mission
 of calling all men and women
 to your service so that there may be
 "one fold and one shepherd."
 We ask this through Christ, our Lord.
 Amen.



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Twelve Sunday in Ordinary Time – Day for Life

20th – 27th June 2021

Words for the Week: Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

Sunday 20.06	10.30am 4pm	English Mass Malayalam Mass
Monday 21.06	No Service	
Tuesday 22.06	10am	Holy Mass
Wednesday 23.06	6pm	Holy Mass
Thursday 24.06	10am	Holy Mass
Friday 25.06	10am	Holy Mass
Saturday 26.06	10am 5.45pm	Holy Mass Malayalam Mass
Sunday 27.06	10.30am 4pm	English Mass Malayalam Mass

Father George is offering Holy Mass from Mother of God Church. Available at <http://Facebook.com/gchelackal> <http://motherofgodleicester.co.uk>

Day for Life is the day in the Church's year dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. The Church teaches that life is to be nurtured from conception to natural death. This year's Day for Life is celebrated on **20 June** in England and Wales.

As well as prayer it is also important to donate to support the work of pro-life organisations as they seek to promote and protect life from conception until natural death. You can make a secure online donation here. [Donate](#)

Second Collection Today for Day for Life

Gospel Readings Sunday 20th June 2021

1st Reading – Job 38:1, 8-11

The Lord addressed Job out of the storm and said: Who shut within doors the sea, when it burst forth from the womb; when I made the clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling bands? When I set limits for it and fastened the bar of its door, and said: Thus far shall you come but no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stilled!

2nd Reading – 2 Corinthians 5:14-17

Brothers and sisters: The love of Christ impels us, once we have come to the conviction that one died for all; therefore, all have died. He indeed died for all, so that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised. Consequently, from now on we regard no one according to the flesh; even if we once knew Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know him so no longer. So whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come.

Responsorial Psalm – Psalms 107: 23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31

Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

They that go down to the sea in ships, doing business in the great waters: These have seen the works of the Lord, and his wonders in the deep. **R.**

He said the word, and there arose a storm of wind: and the waves thereof were lifted up. They mount up to the heavens, and they go down to the depths: their soul pined away with evils. **R.**

And they cried to the Lord in their affliction: and he brought them out of their distresses. And he turned the storm into a breeze: and its waves were still. **R.**

And they rejoiced because they were still: and he brought them to the haven which they wished for. Let the mercies of the Lord give glory to him, and his wonderful works to the children of men. **R.**

Gospel – Mark 4:35-41

On that day, as evening drew on, Jesus said to his disciples: "Let us cross to the other side." Leaving the crowd, they took Jesus with them in the boat just as he was. And other boats were with him. A violent squall came up and waves were breaking over the boat, so that it was already filling up. Jesus was in the stern, asleep on a cushion. They woke him and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" He woke up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Quiet! Be still!" The wind ceased and there was great calm. Then he asked them, "Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?" They were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this whom even wind and sea obey?"

An Act of Spiritual Communion can help us and the priests we see online celebrating Mass in empty Churches frequently encourage us to ask for Our Lord's guidance by offering prayers like this one written by St. Alphonsus Liguori in the 18th century.

My Jesus,

I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament
of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire
to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,
come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly
to you now and forever. Amen

300 Club 13th June: £50 S Colaco (112). £25 Y Shaw (113), M Letts (34).

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The Word and the Common Good... An interactive online course offered by the Diocese over six Monday evenings in June and July. As life starts afresh after lockdown, it's a rare opportunity to sow seeds of the Gospel. Discover how Scripture and Catholic Social Teaching can help us seize this moment and build a society that reflects God's Kingdom Build bridges following a year of social distancing and foster a new 'culture of encounter' Form new friendships, renew old ones, and help to build our parish communities for mission. The sessions begin on Monday 7th June at 7.00 pm for six weeks - come to as many as you are available for. For more information visit dioceseofnottingham.uk/here-now-us and follow the link to book.

Do you have any Wrens in your family? We are not referring to the tiny, feathered variety in the garden but the indomitable ladies who joined the Women's Royal Naval Service, specifically, ladies who joined up between 1946 and 1981 and did their basic training at Training Depot Burghfield, HMTE Burghfield, HMTE Dauntless, HMS Dauntless Reading. Dauntless Divisional Photos is a worldwide project, in collaboration with the Association of Wrens, to gather divisional photographs and memories from those training days but also to reunite ladies with old friends, share anecdotes and relive exciting moments. So if you, your mum, granny, aunt, godmother or even next door neighbour donned a blue suit and aimed for a life on the ocean waves, please get in touch on either ddpwrens@gmail.com or telephone 07765 435295/0771 990 9844 Mandy Powell & Janette Crisp (Project Coordinators).

News from Justice & Peace and Caritas 26th Edition of the Diocesan Grapevine - Go to <https://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/whats-on/grapevine-e-bulletin>

Thanks to your support, CAFOD has been helping communities around the world cope with the pandemic. In Zambia, over the past year, we've been able to reach over 1 million people with messages on COVID-19, provide over 13k people with access to safe water, train 392 frontline health workers from Zambia's 11 dioceses on how to prepare and respond to COVID-19 in their local communities AND donate over 1000 handwashing hygiene stations in communities to support handwashing measures. Thank you for standing alongside people in Zambia and for supporting communities in more than 30 other countries worldwide.

Today we are excited that Volunteers' Month has begun. As you play a vital role in supporting our communities in the global south, we want to celebrate with you all, our wonderful volunteers across England & Wales, with a month full of online events. Join in from your laptop, tablet or phone and invite family, friends and fellow parishioners to come along.

Register [to the complete series](#) of online events and get reminders.

Register to individual events below:

[Tales from the G7](#) Tuesday, 22 June 6:30pm-7:30pm. Meet our G7 young people's delegation, fresh from their trip to Cornwall to campaign, unite and learn alongside the G7 conference. [Register](#) to join us.

[Volunteers Round Table](#) Wednesday, 23 June 7:00pm-8:00pm. Meet with other volunteers on zoom to reflect on the last year, share our experiences and look forward to the future. [Register on Eventbrite](#) to reserve your place and you will be sent a link to zoom closer to the date.

[Volunteer Forum](#) Thursday, 1 July 6:30pm-7:30pm. Hear from CAFOD Director Christine Allen and Head of Advocacy, Communication and Education Neil Thorns about CAFOD's challenges, joys and achievements of the past year and about our hopes for the future. Followed by mass. [Register](#) to join us.

[Volunteers Mass with Fr Mark Odion](#) Thursday, 1 July 7:30pm-8:30pm. Join us for a special Volunteer's Mass celebrated by Fr Mark Odion, to give thanks for our wonderful volunteers who have given so much to support our sisters and brothers around the world. [Register](#) to join us.

And finally ...A Big Thank You for all your generous help during the past year. I look forward to sharing our stories and experiences with you this month.

Parish Finances. A letter from the Diocesan Finance Secretary has been received by all parishes in the Diocese. The letter has been sensitively written, aware and empathising with many Parishioners, whose jobs may not be there for them, and the resulting consequences for many in the future. He also writes about Parish income at this time, with our Church doors closed and no public services, no Masses on Sundays, no Parish income. He is fully aware that Churches and Church property has to be maintained, that bills will have to be paid etc. etc., and all this despite no regular parish income at this time. He realises that many parishes may struggle. He has suggested that perhaps Parishioners, who are regular givers to the Church plate, either by weekly envelope or by cash directly into the Collection basket, might consider, if they are in a position to do so, of paying by direct debit from their bank account. This would ensure a continuous income for the parish on a weekly basis, and would help to alleviate the current financial income for the Parish. For those who might like to do so, or to consider that possibility.

**Our Account Name: MOTHER OF GOD LEICESTER RCP -
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Please include your name as a reference so that we know where the funds have come from and what they are for. Thank you for your attention and consideration to this possibility.