

Parish Safeguarding Representative

The Parish needs to urgently recruit a volunteer to take on the role of Parish Safeguarding Representative. The role is mainly administrative and coordinates the DBS applications and renewals of volunteers within the parish. A high level of attention to detail is required but training will be provided by the Diocese and support will also be available within the parish. More details of the role can be found on the Nottingham Diocese website under Safeguarding.

www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/departments/safeguarding.

If you are interested in this role please speak to Fr Hans or if you would like more information speak to John Gray.

Cycle of prayer during Ordinary Time, we pray for these intentions: A deeper understanding between Christians and Jews. Those who Suffer persecution, Oppression, and Denial of Human rights. Europe. Human Life. Seafarers.

Please keep in your prayers all the sick and housebound people of the parish, also let's pray for the deceased people of the parish.

Prayer from Pope John Paul II

Mary, Star of the Sea, light of every ocean,
guide seafarers across all dark and stormy seas
that they may reach the haven of peace and light
prepared in Him who calmed the sea.

As we set forth upon the oceans of the world
and cross the deserts of our time, show us, O Mary,
the fruit of your womb, for without your Son we are lost.

Pray that we will never fail on life's journey,
that in heart and mind, work and deed,
in days of turmoil and in days of calm,
we will always look to Christ and say,

"Who is this that even wind and sea obey him?"

Our Lady of Peace, pray for us!

Bright Star of the Sea, guide us!

Our Lady, Star of the Sea, pray for seafarers, pray for us.

We continue to pray for Ukraine and its people, for the people of Israel and Palestine and for all the war-torn countries in the world.



Tea/coffee after the 10.30am Mass every Sunday in the hall. Please join us!



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Our Schools: Christ the King Primary - 0116 2857261 - www.ctlleicester.co.uk/
English Martyrs' Secondary - 0116 2428880 - www.emschool.co.uk/

Parish Hall Bookings: please contact 07586700914



Fifteenth Week of Ordinary Time

14th – 21st July 2024

**Mass intentions
this week for all
parishioners**

Sunday 14.07	8.30am 10.30am 4pm	Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite - - Sebastian Alumkal RIP Holy Mass - Kathleen Quinn RIP Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite	The Pope's prayer intentions for July 2024 For The Pastoral Care of The Sick Let us pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, bestows the Lord's strength to those who receive it and to their loved ones, and that it may become for everyone an ever more visible sign of compassion and hope.
Monday 15.07	No Service	St Bonaventure, bishop and doctor.	
Tuesday 16.07	9.30am 10am	Silent Adoration Holy Mass - Belisa Mendes 1 st Birthday	
Wednesday 17.07	5.30pm 6pm	Silent Adoration Holy Mass	
Thursday 18.07	9.30am 10am	Silent Adoration Holy Mass	
Friday 19.07	9.30am 10am	Silent Adoration Holy Mass	
Saturday 20.07	9.30am 10am	Silent Adoration Holy Mass	
Sunday 21.07	8.30am 10.30am 4pm	Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite Holy Mass - Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite- Joshy & family Thanksgiving	



STELLA MARIS SECOND COLLECTION TODAY FOR STELLA MARIS

Please use an envelope if you are a tax payer.

Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. The Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate in church, by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate, or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work, so please give generously. Thank you.

VOCATIONS

If you want to speak to someone about whether God might be calling you to the priesthood, contact Fr Neil Peoples, Vocations Director, at vocations@dioceseofnottingham.uk or call 01283564814.

End of term Letter from English Martyrs. One copy will be available in the porch and also online.

Background on the Gospel Reading Mark 6:7-13.

Jesus instructs his disciples and sends them to preach repentance.

This week's Gospel and the one for next week describe how Jesus sent the disciples to minister in his name and the disciples' return to Jesus afterward. These two passages, however, are not presented together in Mark's Gospel. Inserted between the two is the report of Herod's fears that Jesus is John the Baptist back from the dead. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus' ministry is presented in connection with the teaching of John the Baptist. Jesus' public ministry begins after John is arrested. John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus, who preached the fulfilment of the Kingdom of God.

While we do not read these details about John the Baptist in our Gospel this week or next week, our Lectionary sequence stays consistent with Mark's theme. Recall that last week we heard how Jesus was rejected in his hometown of Nazareth. The insertion of the reminder about John the Baptist's ministry and his death at the hands of Herod in Mark's Gospel makes a similar point. Mark reminds his readers about this dangerous context for Jesus' ministry and that of his disciples. Preaching repentance and the Kingdom of God is dangerous business for Jesus and for his disciples. Mark wants his readers to remember that we, too, may find resistance as we choose to be disciples of Jesus.

Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus sent out the Twelve. These twelve were selected from among Jesus' disciples and named by Mark in chapter 3. Mark notes that these twelve are also called "apostles." The word *apostle* means "one who is sent." The number twelve is also a symbolic number, representing the twelve tribes of Israel. By naming twelve apostles, Jesus shows his mission to be in continuity with the mission of God's people, Israel.

Jesus' instructions to the apostles are very specific. He repeats the mission that they are sent to preach and to share his authority to heal and to drive out demons. Jesus sends them in pairs, establishing his mission as a communal endeavour. Jesus also instructs them to travel lightly, without the customary food, money, and extra set of clothes. These instructions mean that the Twelve will be dependent on the hospitality of others, just as Jesus depended on others to provide for his needs.

Jesus continues to send us into the world as his disciples. But like the first disciples, we are not sent alone. Jesus has given us the community of the Church, which strengthens our life of discipleship. The Christian message can only authentically be proclaimed in and through the community of faith that is the Church. In our work with others, we build this community of faith and can invite others to share in it.

300 Club Draw 7th July 2024: £50 J C (226). £25 K F (116), T W (190).

Our grand total sales for the Summer Fayre, was £2,629.35. I would like to thank our parish team who tirelessly worked so hard and for their unwavering support to make our fundraising a truly successful event. May it long continue, so that we can reach our goal to repair our church hall. On behalf of Father Hans and our parish team, we would like to thank you all for your love and support. May God bless us all. Teresa Knott.

FOODBANKS. We are extremely grateful to all the parishioners who donate food for the FOODBANKS. It is very much needed. Please continue to donate, if you can.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mass Intentions. To request a Mass please use the envelopes found at the back of the church. Please state if the Mass is for a deceased person, birthday or any special intentions. Please note: If the intention is for a living person, they must sign the envelope for permission to print their name on newsletter or intention will be listed as Private Intention and initials of intentions.

MARRIAGE CARE: in partnership with the Diocese of Nottingham are looking for volunteers who would like to train to help local couples prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage. If you would like to know more about what is involved in helping couples build their marriage on a firm foundation come to our webinar (with no commitment to train as a facilitator) on Wednesday 24th July at 7pm. Visit dioceseofnottingham.uk/events or email formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk to book your place.

CAFOD is offering 1-hour training sessions on Zoom for anyone interested in building their confidence for public speaking. Designed for beginners and anyone who needs to make announcements, ask for volunteers or speak on behalf of a charity or a parish appeal at Mass. Come along to learn new skills, practise, and discover how you can inspire our congregation. It'll be inviting, relaxed and fun! [Register here](#) to receive the link or use the QR code to the right with your mobile phone camera. Date and time: Saturday 13 July, 11am-12pm and Tuesday 16 July, 7pm-8pm.

Pilgrimage of Reparation and Prayer for the Sanctity of Life is being held in Walsingham on Saturday 3rd August, led by Bishop David Oakley of Northampton Diocese. Information at: www.walsingham.org.uk/event/pro-life-pilgrimage-4/.

Our Lady Queen of Peace Pilgrimage to Walsingham on Monday 26th August 2024 at the Catholic National Shrine led by Fr Zvonimir Pavičić OFM parish priest of St James, Medjugorje. 1.15pm Gathering, Rosary and Litany. Talk by Fr Zvonimir. Break (Sacrament of Reconciliation). 3.45pm Holy Mass, Adoration and Benediction. 5.30pm Depart. A coach will leave Leicester from St Patrick's, Beaumont Leys Lane, at 8am with a stop at St Joseph's, Uppingham Road. The cost of a return seat is £19. Children under 16 years £5. Please ring Paul Spencer on 07710567183 or email pilgrimsmary@hotmail.com for more information and to book a place. **See poster in church porch.**

Family Pilgrimage Day at Mount Saint Bernard's Abbey. On Sunday 1st September. Outdoor Mass at 2pm in the guest house garden, family picnic, (please bring a chair or picnic blanket & picnic). Marian procession followed by adoration and Benediction. This will be run alongside the Cyprian Tansi Pilgrimage held on Saturday 31st August. It would be really lovely to join together our parishes, schools and families. The date chosen is the first weekend of the start of term. **See poster in church porch.**

The Briars: We offer a wide variety of venue hire opportunities and retreat experiences. To enquire about booking a stay or retreat please contact bookings@ndcys.com via email or call us on 01773 852044. We have availability all through the year and you can book a self-facilitated stay or a stay with full support from our programme team. Whatever your needs, we look forward to hosting you at The Briars soon!