

**+November - Month of the Holy Souls**

If you would like your deceased relatives and friends remembered in our November Masses, place the names in an envelope along with any Mass offering and drop in the collection basket or post through the Presbytery door. Please clearly mark the envelope "November Holy Souls".

We offer our sympathy and the support of our prayers to their family and friends, past and present parishioners at this time.

May the angels lead all those who have recently died to Paradise.

**+Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November: Remembrance Sunday.**

- + Cemetery Visits
- Sun 10th 2pm Wigston
- Sun 17th 2pm Blaby
- Sun 17th 3pm Countesthorpe
- Sun 17th 2pm Kirby Muxloe
- Sun 17th 2pm Thurmaston
- Sun 24th 2pm Gilroes

**Parish Meeting on Sunday 20th October.**

Thank you to everyone who attended and for your support. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help with the Counting, Cleaning, Census, 10.30 Mass Women's Group, Watching Stewards and Welcolmers/Greeters. For anyone who was unable to attend we still need lots of help. There are lists at the back of the church for you to enter your names for the different roles with the different Lead contacts on them. Many thanks and more details to follow.

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.

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

**West Leicester Catholic 300 Club**

Those members who pay yearly are reminded that subscriptions for the coming year are now due. To pay by cheque or cash please see John Gray. If you wish to become a member pick up an application form from the notice board at the back of the church. A big thank you to all those members who have supported the parish throughout the past year.

**Stella Maris - Seafarers Christmas Shoe Box Appeal 2024**

An appeal for Christmas shoe boxes for the Seafarers Mission in Immingham is launched for 2024. A List of items will be in the church porch to remind people of what is needed.

The deadline will be 1<sup>st</sup> December. Thank you.



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Parish Hall Bookings: please contact 07586700914



**Thirty-Second Week of Ordinary Time**

**10<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

**Remembrance Sunday**



Sunday 10.11	8.30am 10.30am 4pm	Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite Holy Mass - Enrolment Mass for 1 <sup>st</sup> HC children Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite
Monday 11.11	No Service	St. Martin of Tours, bishop (memorial)
Tuesday 12.11	9.30am 10am	Silent Adoration Holy Mass - St. Josaphat, bishop and martyr (memorial) - Kathreena Cherian RIP
Wednesday 13.11	5.30pm 6pm	Silent Adoration Holy Mass - <b>Holy Souls</b>
Thursday 14.11	9.30am 10am	Silent Adoration Holy Mass - Mr & Mrs Thomas Mannathooru and Baby Moses RIP
Friday 15.11	9.30am 10am	Silent Adoration Holy Mass - Jose Joseph RIP
Saturday 16.11	9.30am 10am	Silent Adoration Holy Mass - Francis Murphy, Thressimma Jose, Avirah Joseph & Aniamma Joy RIP
Sunday 17.11	8.30am 10.30am 4pm	Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite Holy Mass - Jean Hidelaratchi RIP Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite

**The Pope's prayer intentions for November 2024**  
**For Those Who Have Lost A Child**  
Let us pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community, and may receive peace of heart from the Spirit of Consolation.

**CHRISTMAS Bazaar in the church hall**

Will be on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December after Holy Mass with Carol Singing afterwards. We need volunteers to mind the stalls. Donations of any unwanted gifts, toiletries, bottles of alcohol, chocolates, biscuits etc. will be much appreciated.

**Raffle tickets will be available soon. For any enquiry, please see Teresa Knott.**

**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.

**Advent Preparation Recollection**  
**on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm led by Fr. Ted Mullen. IC.**

### Background on the Gospel Reading Mark 12:38-44.

Jesus notices a poor widow's offering and commends her great sacrifice.

The context for today's Gospel continues to be mounting tension between Jesus and the Jewish authorities. Mark reports some of Jesus' teaching in the Temple area in today's reading and in the preceding verses not included in our Lectionary sequence. In the first part of today's Gospel, we hear Jesus warn the crowds not to follow the example of the scribes in seeking honour and attention from others. It is important to recall that Mark indicates that Jesus taught these things while in the vicinity of the Temple in Jerusalem. Mark is setting the stage for Jesus' passion.

Jesus then observes how Jewish pilgrims are making their contributions to the temple treasury. The Temple in Jerusalem was the centre of Jewish worship in the time of Jesus. It was expected that observant Jews would make pilgrimages to the Temple to offer prayer and sacrifices. Pilgrims were also expected to make a financial contribution to the temple treasury.

As we would expect to be the case, Jesus observes that those who were rich contributed large sums to the treasury. Those with less means made smaller contributions. A similar situation exists in most of our parishes as well. Jesus calls attention, however, to a poor widow who makes the smallest of contributions—two coins of little value. Jesus upholds the poor widow's offering for his disciples' consideration, commending her because her small offering was an act of profound generosity, giving from her livelihood rather than her surplus.

To give from our livelihood is not only an act of generosity, it is also an act of trust in God. We can only give from our need if we trust that God will provide for us. Jesus himself demonstrates the ultimate act of generosity and trust in God as he gives his life for us on the cross.

**300 Club Results 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2024:** £50 T F (4). £25 R G (88), P F (278).

**Leicester Council of Faiths Open Meeting,** Inter Faith Food Sharing Festival and AGM: Tuesday 12th November arrival from 6.30pm for a 7pm start at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, Rushey Mead, Leicester, LE4 7ZB. This year we have 4 amazing speakers, who will be talking about The Role of Faith in a Multi-Cultural Society: The Very Rev Karen Rooms, Dean of Leicester, Janet Perry, Leicester Quakers Meeting, Farooq Murad, CEO The Islamic Foundation, Hema Acharya, Shantidham. This event is the highlight of our year and is always a great opportunity to meet new people and hear more about our work. Everyone is welcome and you don't have to be a Leicester Council of Faiths member to attend. We encourage you to bring along vegan or vegetarian food from your own cultural tradition, to share with others.

**Young Adults Evening Lincoln.** An evening of prayer, witness & community for those aged 18-35. Thursday 14th November 2024. *We meet at Saint Hugh's RC, Lincoln, from 6.00pm onwards.* 6.00pm Adoration and Confessions, 6.30pm Music and Prayer 7.00pm Talk by Guest Speaker Deacon Warren Peachey on some element of holiness in our lives as the saints are holy. 8.00pm Compline and social time. Key contacts Charles Archer *Young Adult Ministry Lead* [charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk). [0115 953 9850](tel:01159539850).

**CAFOD DEC Middle East Humanitarian Appeal:** The conflict in the Middle East is getting worse and the families affected need our help. Please donate today to the CAFOD-DEC Middle East Humanitarian Appeal and support our local Caritas partners in Gaza and Lebanon as they continue to provide essential food, water and shelter: [www.cafod.org.uk/give](http://www.cafod.org.uk/give).

**Walk with Me.** Special Advent edition in anticipation of the Jubilee Year 2025. The Jubilee Year begins on December 24 2024 when Pope Francis opens the Holy Door in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. We enter the Jubilee Year as pilgrims of Hope, expectant and joyful, confident of receiving the blessing of God's love poured out into our hearts. "Cardinal Vincent Nichols". To order the booklet, call our Hotline on 01782745600 / email [general@alivepublishing.co.uk](mailto:general@alivepublishing.co.uk) / Visit our website: [www.alivepublishing.co.uk](http://www.alivepublishing.co.uk).

**Francis Caus Charity.** The Francis Caus Charity invite you to an afternoon tea and Evensong led by the Chaplin and Fr John at Wyggestons on Hinckley Road. Expect a lovely tea in very pleasant surroundings. In addition to the tea, it's an excellent opportunity to see and experience the facilities that Wyggestons can provide for elderly needing care in later life such as wardened flats or a care home. There is no charge for this event. If you are interested see the poster at the back of the church and add your name to the list.

**Catechist Formation Pathways** - Are you a catechist? Have you thought about being one? The Diocese offers three courses that can be done together or stand alone. Encounter Catechesis provides the foundations of catechesis; Discipleship Catechesis explores a good knowledge of key points of Catholic Theology; and Missionary Catechesis is focused on going beyond sacramental preparation to help form disciples of all ages. To enquire please follow this link [bit.ly/formation2425](http://bit.ly/formation2425) or email: [formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk).

<p><b>FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE PARISH</b> If you wish to contribute to the Parish Funds, please use these Bank Details. If you are a tax-payer, please request a gift aid declaration form from the parish via email, so that we can reclaim for the parish fund money you pay in tax to the government.</p>	<p><b>LLOYDS BANK</b> Mother of God Church SORT CODE 30-94-97 ACC. NO. 01538822</p>
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### A Prayer for Our Deceased

God our Father,  
Your power brings us to birth, your providence guides our lives,  
and by Your command we return to dust.  
Lord, those who die still live in Your presence,  
their lives change but do not end.  
I pray in hope for my family, relatives and friends,  
and for all the dead known to You alone.  
In company with Christ, who died and now lives,  
may they rejoice in Your kingdom, where all our tears are wiped away.  
Unite us together again in one family,  
to sing Your praise forever and ever. Amen.

**Cycle of prayer during Ordinary Time - Autumn;** we pray for these intentions: Students and Teachers. The Spread of the Gospel. The Harvest. The Fruits of Human Work, and the Reverent Use of Creation. Justice and Peace in the Worlds. All Victims of War. Young People. Prisoners and their Families.

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