

+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.

+Wednesday 19th November: Mass for our Deceased at 6pm.

+ Cemetery Visits

Sunday 9 November at 2pm - Wigston Cemetery
 Sunday 16 November at 2pm - Blaby Cemetery
 Sunday 16 November at 3pm - Countesthorpe Cemetery
 Sunday 16th November at 2pm - Kirby Muxloe
 Sunday 23 November at 2pm - Gilroes Cemetery

Prayer for the Faithful Departed

Merciful Father, I lift up the souls of the faithful departed into Your holy care. These are the ones who loved You, who walked in faith, and now await the fullness of Your promise. Remember their works, their prayers, and the love they gave in Your name. Let their souls find rest beneath Your wings, and may eternal light shine upon them. Forgive every sin, cover them in grace, and bring them into everlasting joy. We may be apart for now, but I believe they are alive in You, rejoicing in the glory that never fades. Amen.

We will be having a Christmas Party on Sunday 7th December from 12 to 2pm.

This is mainly a social event for all, but there will be fundraising activities such as Christmas Craft stalls and a chocolate raffle. Santa will be there and we will have a shared table and refreshments. In order to support this event, would all the different communities please contribute to a shared table of refreshments. Thank you. We will also have a Carol Singing from the children and entertainment, fun and games.

We are also organising a Christmas Gala on Saturday 13th December (adults only).

From 5pm to 10pm. with entertainment, music, 3 course meal and dancing. We will need donations for the auction. If you have any contacts with businesses or shops or anything you would like to donate yourself to be auctioned, or as a raffle prize for the events, please let Fr. Hans, Hope, Michelle or Sharon know. Many thanks.

The cost will be £30. Tickets will be available from Hope or Sharon. (Payment in cash or cheque).

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE PARISH

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.

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NRCDT- Registered Charity

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

MOG Safeguarding Officer: Michelle Dempster - 07718279920 - michelleleadempster@gmail.com

Parish Hall Bookings: please contact 07586700914



Thirty-Second Week of Ordinary Time

9th - 16th November 2025

Remembrance Sunday



Sunday 09.11	08.30am 10.30am 04.00pm	Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite Holy Mass - Claire Flanagan RIP The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (feast) Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite	Pope's prayer intentions for November 2025 For The Prevention Of Suicide Let us pray that those who are tempted to commit suicide might find the support, care and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.
Monday 10.11	No Service	St. Leo the Great, pope and doctor (memorial)	
Tuesday 11.11	09.30am 10.00am	Silent Adoration Holy Mass - St. Martin of Tours, bishop (memorial)	
Wednesday 12.11	05.30apm 06.00pm	Silent Adoration Holy Mass - St. Josaphat, bishop and martyr (memorial)	
Thursday 13.11	09.30am 10.00am	Silent Adoration Holy Mass	
Friday 14.11	09.30am 10.00am	Silent Adoration Holy Mass - Baby Moses Mendonca RIP	
Saturday 15.11	09.30am 10.00am	Silent Adoration Holy Mass - Shania Coutinho Thanksgiving	
Sunday 16.11	08.30am 10.30am 04.00pm	Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite Holy Mass - Felis Mendes & Vania Mendes RIP Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite	

White Flower Appeal 2025 (SPUC) - Second collection next Sunday 16th November 2025.

The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children will be holding its annual appeal next weekend. SPUC exists to radically transform culture, so that abortion is not only abolished but becomes truly unthinkable. To accomplish this mission, the Society is positioning initiatives in politics, education, legislation and culture. Through these efforts we will restore a respect for the sanctity of human life to our society. This year's appeal postcards call for the government to adhere to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. **Please be as generous as you can to help SPUC defend unborn babies and their mothers.**

MOG 1st Holy Communion children's Enrolment Mass next Sunday at 10.30am Mass.

Please keep in your prayers all the sick and housebound people of the parish. We continue to pray for Ukraine and its people, for the people of Palestine and Israel, Lebanon, Syria and Sudan and for all the war-torn countries in the world. We also pray for the people that have been affected by the Hurricane Melissa.

Background on the Gospel according to John 2:13-22.
He spoke about the temple of his own body.

The story of the cleansing of the Temple is found in all four Gospels. In Matthew, Mark, and Luke, Jesus is upset with the deceitful practices of the vendors and expels them for that reason. But in John, Jesus' authority is contrasted with the authority of the Temple cult and is a criticism of the cult itself.

The story is composed of two parts, Jesus' action in the Temple and Jesus' predictions about the Temple's destruction. The time of year is the sacred feast of Passover. If the many pilgrims to Jerusalem during Passover were to have animals for the sacrificial rituals of the feast, it was necessary to sell cattle in the Temple and to change the unclean Roman money. By denouncing this, Jesus is cutting to the core of the Temple cult.

The story is really about Jesus' fate, not the Temple's fate, revealing that Jesus, not the Temple, is the locus of God's presence on earth. As they often do in John, the Jews misunderstand Jesus' words. This gives John the chance to explicitly state his point. Although this is the beginning of his ministry, Jesus is already speaking of his coming death and Resurrection.

John intentionally integrates a post-Resurrection perspective into the Gospel narrative. The statement that concludes this passage uses the fact of the Resurrection to prove the point of Jesus' words. Believers need to remember the words and actions of Jesus and claim them as affirmations of the truths of their faith.

Christians sometimes point to Jesus' anger in this passage as a way to point out Jesus' humanity. But this would miss the powerful point of the entire Gospel, that the Word became flesh. The point is not that Jesus' anger proves he is human. It is that a human being, in his words and actions, can claim the authority of God.

Dilexi Te: Pope Leo's first major teaching document shows his deep commitment to taking forward the living, life-changing tradition of Catholic social teaching. In *Dilexi Te* (I have loved you) he completes the apostolic exhortation begun by his predecessor Francis shortly before his death. *Dilexi Te* shows the love of Christ incarnated in love for the poor, in caring for the sick, opposing slavery, defending women who experience exclusion and violence, making education available to all, accompanying migrants, charitable giving, working for equality and more. For an accessible introduction to this rich and rewarding read, we recommend the resources published by the Dicastery for Integral Human Development, which includes a short synopsis and engaging infographics. [Dilexi Te downloads.](#)

Cycle of Prayer during Ordinary Time - Autumn.

Students and Teachers; The Spread of the Gospel; The Harvest; The Fruit of Human Work and the Reverent Use of Creation; Justice and Peace in the World; All Victims of War; Young People; Prisoners and their Families.

GRAND PRIZE DRAW: WEST LEICESTER CATHOLIC 300 CLUB

Please find below the results of the Grand Prize Draw held today at Mother of God Parish Hall.

1st prize £1000 B Hickey (276)	-	2nd prize £400 M Uczniak (17).
3rd prize £100 S Donlan (31)	-	4th prize £100 V Sweeney (124).
5th prize £100 C Fisher (117)	-	6th prize £100 J-J Maloney (300).
7th prize £100 G Brighton(155)	-	Quarterly prize £100 K Scott (1).
Weekly prize £50 J Ferns (198)		
Weekly prize £25 D McIntyre (181), C Saddington (72).		

300 CLUB MEMBERSHIP £60 per year/£5 per month due by 1st November.

300 Club results Sunday 2nd November: £50 R Kennedy (64). £25 G Palmer (207), L Mason (69).

Collection Sunday 2nd November: £359.98.

Global Parish: Our next Mission Lab. Monday 10th November 2025. Many of our newest parishioners come from abroad, and they bring renewal and enrichment with them. Adjusting to life in the UK is not easy, but the parish is - or should be - one place they can call home. Thanks to funding from CAFOD we have been listening to the experience of some of our international parishioners. We have asked what would help them feel they belong, and integrate, participate and contribute - and, just as importantly, what they would like to offer. Find out what we've learned together, with contributions from parishioners from **Holy Family Parish** in Nottingham and others who have arrived in the diocese UK from elsewhere around the world. Whether you're born here or from overseas yourself, join us for a truly international conversation to build the parish of the future. [Book for 'Promoting Racial Justice in our Parishes'.](#)

A Service of Remembrance at Christ the King. On Wednesday 12th November at 9-9.30am on the Infant Site. We would like to invite all parishioners to share the service of reflection with us. We will be praying for all who have died and gone before us, together with some prayerful reflection and songs.

Dominican Young Adults (20s & 30s) Study Day - Dragons, Beasts & Visions: Understanding Biblical Apocalyptic. Saturday 15th November at Frassati Centre, Leicester, LE1 6HW. For more information and to register (free) see: www.english.or.org/godzdogz/dya-study-day-dragons-beasts-and-visions/.

LACY - The Big Sing at on Sunday 16th November 4pm Franciscan Convent Chapel, 52 Dalby Road, Melton Mowbray, LE13 0BP. Contact Pauline on 07885 187374, or paulinepayne@hotmail.com. or Jo Shearer joshearer@hotmail.com.

November Requiem Mass. All Young Adults are warmly invited to meet across the diocese in celebrated remembrance of those who have died. At Holy Cross Church, Leicester the Mass will be on Thursday 27th November at 6.10pm. Please bring with you the names of anyone you wish to pray for this month which will be added to our Mass intentions. Arrivals from 6pm, Mass and social time finishing for 8pm.

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. Also note: If 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. Thank you.

Electronic Newsletter & Newsletter Additions: The Electronic Newsletter is now being sent to those who requested a copy. If you would like to receive a weekly newsletter by email or you have any newsletter additions, please email mogparish@gmail.com.

Stella Maris - Seafarers Christmas Shoe Box Appeal 2025

An appeal for Christmas shoe boxes for the Seafarers Mission in Immingham is launched for 2025. A List of items will be in the church porch to remind people of what is needed.

The deadline will be 1st December. Thank you.

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.
A huge thank you to all of you!