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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; Human Life; Europe; Seafarers

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, Sudan, Iran and The Middle East and for all the war-torn countries in the world. We also pray for the people that have been affected by Environment Disasters.

Mass Intentions. One of the great gifts we can give to someone is to have a Mass offered for their intention or for the repose of their soul. 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. Thank you.

Dates for your diary:

- 28th June: Summer Raffle Draw.
- 13th September: International Mass
- 19th September: Summer BBQ.
- 6th December: Christmas Party.



Almighty God,

Creator of the earth in which we live,
 Help us today in our search for peaceful ways
 To avoid wars, to eliminate terrorism and tyranny
 And to establish justice for peoples of all races and faiths.
 We pray that the billions of peace-loving
 People of goodwill throughout the nations,
 Will join together in prayer and action
 To bring love where there is hatred,
 Friendship where there is enmity,
 And justice where there is oppression.
 Amen

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MOG Safeguarding Officer: Michelle Dempster - 07718279920 - michelleadempster@gmail.com
 Parish Hall Bookings: please contact 07586700914



Eleventh Week of Ordinary Time

14th – 21st June 2026

Sunday 14.06	08.30am 10.30am 04.00pm	Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite Holy Mass - Holy Communion children ints. Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite
Monday 15.06	No Service	
Tuesday 16.06	09.30am 10.00am	Silent Adoration Holy Mass
Wednesday 17.06	05.30pm 06.00pm	Silent Adoration Holy Mass
Thursday 18.06	09.30am 10.00am	Silent Adoration Holy Mass - Jean Hidelaratchi RIP
Friday 19.06	09.30am 10.00am	Silent Adoration Holy Mass
Saturday 20.06	09.30am 10.00am	Silent Adoration Holy Mass
Sunday 21.06	08.30am 10.30am 04.00pm	Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite Holy Mass Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite

Pope Leo prayer intentions for June 2026
For The Values Of Sports
 Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity and personal growth.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY FOR DAY FOR LIFE

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.

Mother of God Holy Communion

The First Holy Communion mass for 16 children, and one older candidate, from this parish will take place today, Sunday 14th June at the 10.30am mass. Please keep all the children and their parents in your prayers. A very special thank you to their catechists,



Raffle Tickets for our Summer Raffle Draw are now available.
 The draw will take place after the 10.30am Mass on Sunday 28th June.
 Please support our parish by buying and selling tickets to your family and friends.

Background on the Gospel reading according to Matthew 9:36-10:8.
Jesus sends the twelve apostles to proclaim the kingdom of heaven.

In today's Gospel, Jesus shares his mission to proclaim the kingdom of heaven with his disciples. The signs of the kingdom's presence consist of the work that Jesus has already been doing: the sick are cured, lepers are cleansed, demons are driven out, and the dead are raised to life. The disciples are sent to continue doing the work that Jesus has begun. This is a moment of transition in Matthew's Gospel. The focus has shifted from the ministry of Jesus to the work of the community that he has inaugurated. More than any other Gospel, Matthew's Gospel elaborates on the work of the Church, which is to continue after Jesus' death and resurrection.

The Gospel reports that Jesus commissions twelve disciples. Many scholars believe that the twelve disciples symbolize the twelve tribes of Israel. It designates, therefore, continuity between Israel and the Church.

Matthew lists the names of the twelve disciples, as do Mark and Luke. Matthew also uses the word *apostle* when referring to the Twelve. The word *apostle* means "one who is sent." In this context, Matthew is calling attention to the mission that the twelve disciples are being given. They are sent by Jesus to proclaim the kingdom of heaven in word and deed.

As Jesus sent his disciples to continue his work and mission, so too the Church is sent by Jesus. The Church is his continuing presence on earth. Every member of the Church is sent by Jesus to contribute to this mission.

300 Club Sunday 7th June: £50 J Fernandes (82). £25 A Lomas (177), J Waldron (92).

Sunday Collections 7th June: to be announced next week.

'Thanks to all those who took part in our pilgrimage to Walsingham on Saturday June 6th. Despite the heavy rain we had a wonderful and uplifting day. The Prayer Intentions from our parish were placed in the Slipper Chapel after the midday Mass at the Shrine. Candles were lit for all those who requested them. We carried your prayers, intentions and concerns with us. We had a wonderful shared lunch after Mass. Thanks to Orbit Coaches and our driver, Andy, for a smooth and safe journey to and from Walsingham. Thanks also to: Teresa for leading us in prayer on our journey to the shrine; to Ruairi for his interesting and informative history of the shrine; to Mairi-Frances for the bingo and raffle on our return journey and thanks to Matt for being our expert bingo caller. Thanks to all the pilgrims for their kindness, sensitivity, support, understanding and delicious food!

Low-income countries are being pushed into a deepening debt crisis, forced to pay ever higher interest rates to wealthy lenders. Money that should be spent on healthcare and education is flowing out of countries that can least afford it. In 2027, the UK will host the G20, a crucial gathering of the world's 20 most powerful economies. These leaders have the power to fix the **global debt system. Please sign CAFOD's Debt Justice Petition today and strengthen the call for action from the UK Government: Please sign online by visiting CAFOD: <https://action.cafod.org.uk/page/189582/petition>.**

Stella Maris (formerly called Apostleship of the Sea) is seeking one volunteer from this parish please to help with Sea Sunday (which falls on 11/12 July this year) in this parish. This is the day when the Church comes together to pray for seafarers, fishers and their families, and takes a second collection to support the work of Stella Maris. The volunteer will read out the appeal (which Stella Maris will provide) at the end of Masses that weekend. If you can kindly do this, please contact roland.hayes@stellamarismail.org.

Related to that, all parishioners are warmly invited to an **online webinar being run by Stella Maris on Wednesday 17th June from 7:30pm to 9pm.** You will hear about the work that Stella Maris has been doing with seafarers and fishers over the past year or so, including the use of the funds kindly donated on Sea Sunday last year. To attend this webinar, please sign up at: www.stellamaris.org.uk/thankyou.

Leicester Young Adults' Groups. A number of groups for Young Adults (18-35) exist across the diocese. They meet regularly to receive input, pray, socialise and grow in discipleship. Every Fourth Thursday of the month at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Leicester. [For up-to-date news, event and meeting dates, sign up to the Young Adult's Mailing List.](#)

World Youth Day 2027. All Young Adults are warmly invited to join the Diocese of Nottingham and Pope Leo in Seoul, South Korea, for a week of Encounter and Discipleship with 100,000s of other Young Catholics ready to hear the Lord speak into their lives. For more information, please contact charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk As numbers are limited, please do this by 31st July 2026.

WEBELIEVE | Festival of Catholic Life: Friday 24-Monday 27 July 2026 | St Mary's College, Oscott, Birmingham WeBelieve Festival brings the Church together in England and Wales. It is an unmissable opportunity to discover the traditions and charisms that flow through the Church, to experience the joy of community, and to encounter personally the Lord Jesus, our salvation. Join us from 24-27 July 2026 at the historic and beautiful setting of St Mary's College, Oscott, for a feast of the True, the Good and the Beautiful. Book your tickets www.webeliefestival.com.

Lourdes Youth Pilgrimage 2026 from 12 to 19 July. Are you 16 or over? Join the Nottingham Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes this summer. Travelling overland by coach with four nights in Lourdes and a stop in Paris on the way home, you'll serve assisted pilgrims, share in the life of the Sanctuary, and follow a programme of prayer, talks and time together. £1,050 all-in; bursaries available in confidence for any young person who needs one. To find out more or to register interest, email director@ndcys.com.

Forming Catholic Student Leaders: Two summer courses exploring faith, ethics and leadership for sixth form students, offered by the Christian Heritage Centre at Stonyhurst. Join us for 6 days in the beautiful Ribble Valley to explore themes linked to The Common Good (Year 12, 10-15 August) and to The Human Ecology (Year 13, 5-10 July). www.christianleadershipformation.com.

Walsingham Pilgrimage by coach on Thursday 13 to Friday 14 August: Stay overnight at Elham House - ensuite, standard and family rooms available. Approximate cost including coach fare, dinner, bed & cooked breakfast: Adult £115-£145, Child (5-12 years) £55, Child (4 and under) Free. For details & booking forms, email Angela Bailey at: westleicester@dioceseofnottingham.uk.

VACANCY: The Briars Catholic Youth Retreat Centre in Crich is recruiting a part-time Cook to join its catering team. The role is 18 hours per week, term-time only plus two additional weeks, paying £12.60 - £14.00 per hour. The successful candidate will cook for retreat groups of up to 60+ guests in a friendly, supportive setting. To apply, or for more information please email recruitment@ndcys.com.

THE BRIARS Leadership Residency. A year that sets you up for the rest of your life. Live in intentional Catholic community. Lead retreat programmes for hundreds of young people. Be invested in personally – with spiritual direction, coaching, training and formation. Leave twelve months later knowing how to pray, how to live alongside others honestly, how to rest well, and how to give of your absolute best God-given talent. This is not volunteering. This is formation for life. For young adults aged 18-25 from mid-August 2026 to mid-July 2027. Email: director@ndcys.com, or visit: www.thebriars.co.uk for more information.



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