

## Jubilee Year 2025

Pope Francis decreed that 2025 will be a year of Jubilee,  
a holy year which happens every 25 years in the Catholic Church.

Be a pilgrim with us in the Church Year of Jubilee.

The Jubilee Year 2025 is a whole year of Discipleship, looking at some of the themes of the Year including care for creation, food poverty, modern slavery, cancelling debt, forgiveness, and rest and worship. The following year will look at Mission, as a thanksgiving for the Jubilee, and a response-in-action to the blessing and graces received during the Jubilee: we will be encouraged afresh to be those Missionary Disciples which is God's gift to us at our baptism.

"The Jubilee is a time of conversion and renewal, an opportunity to embark on a new path, animated by the hope that we can build a world in which everyone can lead an authentically human life in truth, justice and peace." Pope Leo XIV

### International Mass on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September.

The above mass will be attended by Bishop Patrick McKinney and is therefore a very important day for our parish. After the mass, we will have refreshments in the hall and we would like to encourage all our different communities to contribute their own special food items to a sharing table. In addition, it would be lovely to see as many people as possible wearing their own traditional costumes. Hopefully, we should all enjoy a lovely parish event. **There will be a rehearsal on Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> September, after the 10.30am Mass. All are welcome, but if you are participating in the Mass, please try to attend. Many thanks.**



### Jubilee Prayer

God our Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us  
in your son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour,  
and the flame of charity enkindled  
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
awaken in us this Jubilee Year a missionary heart  
for the coming of your Kingdom.  
May the gift of your grace transform us, Pilgrims of Hope,  
into your missionary disciples,  
blessed with the gifts and talents you give us.  
Strengthen us to share our Saviour's message  
of love, joy, and peace with all the people we meet this year,  
so that we may help build up your Kingdom on earth.  
To you our God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
be glory and praise for ever and ever. Amen.

### 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.

**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!

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		<b>Twenty-Fifth Week of Ordinary Time</b> <b>21<sup>st</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> September 2025</b>	
Sunday 21.09	08.30am 10.30am 04.00pm	Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite Holy Mass - Private intentions Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite	<b>Pope's prayer intentions for September 2025</b>  <b>For Our Relationship With All Of Creation</b>  Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.
Monday 22.09	No Service		
Tuesday 23.09	09.30am 10.00am	Silent Adoration Holy Mass - Pappachan Mothakunnel RIP & Private Intentions St Pius of Petralcina, priest (memorial)	
Wednesday 24.09	05.30pm 06.00pm	Silent Adoration Holy Mass - Our Lady of Walsingham (feast)	
Thursday 25.09	09.30am 10.00am	Silent Adoration Holy Mass	
Friday 26.09	09.30am 10.00am	Silent Adoration Holy Mass	
Saturday 27.09	09.30am 10.00am	Silent Adoration Holy Mass - St. Vincent de Paul, priest (memorial)	
Sunday 28.09	08.30am 10.30am 04.00pm	Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite Holy Mass Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite	

### SECOND COLLECTION TODAY FOR EVANGELII GAUDIUM

Evangelii Gaudium Sunday calls us to be joyous in proclaiming our faith. "Evangelii Gaudium" is Latin for "Joy of the Gospel". It is a Sunday more commonly known as Home Mission Sunday, a day for us as the Catholic community in England and Wales to celebrate the beauty of our faith, and our shared commitment to witness to the fullness of life in Christ. Celebrating 1,700 years since the Council of Nicaea, the theme for this year is "I believe..." as the heart of mission. More details about this can be found on the Bishops' Conference website - [www.cbcew.org.uk/evangelii](http://www.cbcew.org.uk/evangelii) gaudium-sunday. "We cannot forget that evangelisation is first and foremost about preaching the Gospel to those who do not know Jesus Christ or who have always rejected him. Many of these are quietly seeking God, led by a yearning to see his face... Christians have the duty to proclaim the Gospel without excluding anyone.

**Security alert. Sadly, there have been reports of attempted bag thefts in parishes in the City of Leicester. Could everyone please be alert and keep their possessions near them in church and securely closed.**

**CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY: FRIDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> of OCTOBER.**  
**SECOND COLLECTION ON SUNDAY 5<sup>th</sup> of OCTOBER.**

### Gospel Reading: Luke 16:1-13.

Jesus said to his disciples, "A rich man had a steward who was reported to him for squandering his property. He summoned him and said, 'What is this I hear about you? Prepare a full account of your stewardship, because you can no longer be my steward.' The steward said to himself, 'What shall I do, now that my master is taking the position of steward away from me? I am not strong enough to dig and I am ashamed to beg. I know what I shall do so that, when I am removed from the stewardship, they may welcome me into their homes.' He called in his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, 'How much do you owe my master?' He replied, 'One hundred measures of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Here is your promissory note. Sit down and quickly write one for fifty.' Then to another the steward said, 'And you, how much do you owe?' He replied, 'One hundred kors of wheat.' The steward said to him, 'Here is your promissory note; write one for eighty.' And the master commended that dishonest steward for acting prudently. "For the children of this world are more prudent in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. I tell you, make friends for yourselves with dishonest wealth, so that when it fails, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings. The person who is trustworthy in very small matters is also trustworthy in great ones; and the person who is dishonest in very small matters is also dishonest in great ones. If, therefore, you are not trustworthy with dishonest wealth, who will trust you with true wealth? If you are not trustworthy with what belongs to another, who will give you what is yours? No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and mammon."

**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 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.

**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.**

#### 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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**300 Club Results 14<sup>th</sup> September 2025:** £50 P N (144). £25 E O (54), E C (100).

**If you have recently changed your address, please let us know as winning cheques are sent by post. See John Gray or Fr Hans. You are all invited to stay for tea and coffee in the hall after Mass on Sunday to witness and take part in the 300club draw too.**

**Collection Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September: £313.10.**

**If you are involved in Youth Ministry in your parish**, whether through altar serving, children's liturgy or as a catechist; or are you keen to start something in your parish? In school as a teacher, lay chaplain or school governor? Or are you a parent or carer keen to find out more about the opportunities available for young people in the Diocese of Nottingham? The Diocesan Youth Service (NDCYS) is hosting an online information evening on Tuesday 23rd September 7.00pm - 8.00pm where you can find out about the opportunities available for young people, meet others involved in youth ministry and share ideas. To register, visit [ndcys.com/youth-ministry-networking/](http://ndcys.com/youth-ministry-networking/).

**All Altar Servers are invited to the Diocesan Jubilee of Altar Servers**, with Mass celebrated by Bishop Patrick in our Cathedral in Nottingham (Derby Road, NG1 5AE) on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September. Bring your alb / cassock and cotta, and arrive for 10.30am onwards, for Mass at 11.30am. Bring a packed lunch too, and enjoy a picnic in the Cathedral Hall and gardens. All are welcome!

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE** between Wednesday 24th September - Sunday 2nd November. Help save lives in Leicester! You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilisation to Pray and Fast for an end to abortion, by taking part in 40 Days for life in our community, taking place at Across from Aylestone Road Gardens, Aylestone Road, Leicester, LE2 8PW, between 8.00am and 8.00pm daily. For more details contact Maureen: [leicester40daysfor-life@gmail.com](mailto:leicester40daysfor-life@gmail.com).

**English Martyrs' Catholic School** open Evening for Year 6 students at on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2025, 5.00- 6.45pm. Formal Address by Mr Calen, Principal at: 5.00pm, 5.25pm and 5.45pm in the Auditorium. We look forward to welcoming you.

**Jubilee of Catechists.** To celebrate the amazing work of the wonderful Catechists who do so much in our diocese we will be having a jubilee day on Saturday 11th October - St Joseph's Catholic Church, Leicester Bishop Patrick McKinney will offer Mass and there will be a conference day to help us celebrate and reflect on the ministry of Catechesis. There will be 2 keynote talks from Dr Mark Nash Director for the Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis in Southwark, there will also be workshops and time to mingle. The day will be held on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October at St Joseph's Church, Leicester, LE5 6SG; 10am-4pm and cost £10 (please bring a packed lunch). [Sign up here](#) or email [formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk)

**Saint Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham** will host the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima and relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco on Sunday 12th and Monday 13th October. For further details visit: [worldfatima-englandwales.org.uk](http://worldfatima-englandwales.org.uk) or email: [membership@waf-ew.org.uk](mailto:membership@waf-ew.org.uk).

**Join TeamCAFOD. Run Leicester Half Marathon and 10k on 26 October 2025.** Fundraising target £200. Embark on an extraordinary journey through the vibrant city of Leicester with the Run Leicester Half Marathon and 10K - an experience like no other! You'll be raising funds to enable communities to fight poverty around the world. If you have already booked a place in this event and would like to fundraise for CAFOD, we'd love to hear from you. Please get in touch at [events@cafod.org.uk](mailto:events@cafod.org.uk). Or contact [nottingham@cafod.org.uk](mailto:nottingham@cafod.org.uk).

#### A prayer for peace in the Middle East

Christ, Prince of Peace, hear our prayer and lament,  
for our suffering sisters and brothers.

Our hearts are heavy as we witness lives torn apart,  
as we see the faces of frightened children  
and hear the pleas of those without water or food.

We pray for the dead and the grieving, for the injured and the afraid.

We pray for courage and perseverance,  
for those working for healing and to bring aid. We pray for world leaders,  
that they may strive for a just and lasting peace.

God of new beginnings, in your ways are compassion and hope.

Open our hearts to dialogue and understanding.

Lead us all to answer your call to become peacemakers  
today, and all the days of our life. Amen.



**MISSIO RED BOXES.** Please bring your box to church to be emptied and collect your free magazine from the table in the church porch. If you would like a box, or give a donation, please speak to Maila Taylor.