

## 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



### 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.

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.

### 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 1<sup>st</sup> December. Thank you.

We will be having a Christmas party on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December from 12 to 2pm and  
a Christmas Gala on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December (adults only) with entertainment, music,  
3 course meal and dancing. Tickets will be available soon.

We would like to thank everyone who worked so hard to make our International Mass  
with Bishop Patrick such a wonderful occasion.



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English Martyrs' Secondary - 0116 2428880 - [www.emschool.co.uk/](http://www.emschool.co.uk/)

MOG Safeguarding Officer: Michelle Dempster - 07718279920 - [michelleleadempster@gmail.com](mailto:michelleleadempster@gmail.com)

Parish Hall Bookings: please contact 07586700914



### Twenty-Seventh Week of Ordinary Time

5<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> October 2025



Sunday 05.10	08.30am 10.30am 04.00pm	Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite Holy Mass - Rosary and Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite
Monday 06.10	5.30pm	Rosary and Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite
Tuesday 07.10	09.30am 10.00am 5.30pm	Silent Adoration Holy Mass - Our Lady of the Rosary Rosary and Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite
Wednesday 08.10	09.30am 10.00am 5.30pm	Silent Adoration with Holy Rosary Holy Mass Rosary and Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite
Thursday 09.10	09.30am 10.00am 5.30pm	Silent Adoration with Holy Rosary Holy Mass - St. John Henry Newman (feast) Rosary and Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite
Friday 10.10	09.30am 10.00am 5.30pm	Silent Adoration with Holy Rosary Holy Mass - Ariella Mendes First Birthday St Paulinus of York, bishop, & the Anglo-Saxon Saints of our Diocese (memorial) Rosary and Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite
Saturday 11.10	09.30am 10.00am 5.30pm	Silent Adoration with Holy Rosary Holy Mass Rosary and Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite
Sunday 12.10	08.30am 10.30am 04.00pm	Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite Holy Mass - Good health of Maria Machali Rosary and Holy Mass Syro-Malabar rite

Pope's prayer  
intentions for  
October 2025

For Collaboration  
Between Different  
Religious Traditions

Let us pray that  
believers in different  
religious traditions  
might work together  
to defend and  
promote peace,  
justice and human  
fraternity.

### SECOND COLLECTION TO BE TAKEN TODAY, SUNDAY 5<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER.

Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection to share God's abundant gifts with our  
global neighbours as they find lasting solutions to poverty and climate challenges. Your  
generosity offers "signs of hope" in this Jubilee Year.

Donate online at [cafod.org.uk/envelope](http://cafod.org.uk/envelope) or call 0303 303 3030.

You can also text CAFOD to 70560 to donate £10.

Every year the **World Day of Migrants and Refugees (WDMR)** is celebrated on the last Sunday  
of September but this year, to coincide with the Jubilee of Migrants, the day will be celebrated  
over the weekend of 4 and 5 October. The theme is Migrants, missionaries of hope, emphasising  
the resilience and faith of migrants and refugees in the face of hardship. Our Lead Bishop for  
Migrants and Refugees, Bishop Paul McAleenan, offers this message for the day. "It is our  
obligation to try and understand why migrants appear among us; our duty is to care for those who  
seek refuge in our country".

## Gospel Reflection: Luke 16:5-10.

Today's readings remind us that it is not enough to be a part of a believing community. For our faith to be alive we must share it through service.

St. Francis de Sales notes: A living faith produces the fruit of good works in all seasons. When we are open to the truths of God's word, we live according to God's love and not nature. Thus, our faith in divine love raises us up to unite our spirit with God, and it brings us to love the image of God in our neighbour.

An attentive servant must show unconquerable faith in our Savior especially in the midst of interior and exterior troubles. We must never lose courage in helping those who refuse God's love but pray and help them as far as their misfortune permits. Let us use all possible remedies to prevent the birth, growth and domination of evilness. In this let us imitate our Lord, who never ceases to exhort, promise, prohibit, command and inspire us in order to turn our will away from evilness, without depriving our will of its liberty.

Yet, we must not look for surpassingly perfect love in this life. Our progress in holy love is like the mythical bird called the phoenix. When newly hatched from ashes, it has little, tender feathers, and can only leap rather than fly. As it grows strong it soars freely in the air but not enough to remain long on the wing and often comes down to earth to rest. When it is perfectly renewed in spirit and strength, it remains on the mountaintop. In heaven, we shall indeed have a heart and spirit entirely free from contradictions and conflicts. As yet we have neither the spirit nor strength of the blessed.

It is enough for us to love with all our heart, which means simply to love with a good heart and without reservation. Courage then! Let us rouse our faith again and give it life through using the gifts God gave us to perform good works with holy love, since this is in our power.

(Adapted from the writings of St. Francis de Sales.)

### Pope Leo urges Catholics to pray daily Rosary for Peace in October

Pope Leo XIV invites the faithful to join in praying the Rosary every day during October to invoke God's gift of peace, and announces a Rosary in St. Peter's Square on October 11 as part of the Jubilee of Marian Spirituality. Catholics across the globe will unite to pray the Rosary for peace in war-torn lands, especially during the month of October, which the Church dedicates to the Holy Rosary. "I invite everyone, each day of the coming month, to pray the Rosary for peace—personally, in the family, and in community," he said. He invited Christians to share with others "the love of Jesus that illumines and lifts up humanity." The Rosary for Peace will be held during the Jubilee of Marian Spirituality, which takes place on October 11-12. [Our Lady of Fatima to travel to Rome for the Jubilee in October](#) That day also marks the 63rd anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council, which Pope St. John XXIII opened on October 11, 1962. The original image of Our Lady of Fatima will be in St. Peter's Square for the Rosary prayer and the Jubilee of Marian Spirituality.

**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.

**300 Club Results 28<sup>th</sup> September 2025:** £50 C S (15). £25 R M (172), M R (30).

**Collection Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September:** to be announced next week.

### GRAND PRIZE DRAW: WEST LEICESTER CATHOLIC 300 CLUB

Many thanks to all members for your continued support for this valuable fundraiser for our three churches. Our Grand Prize Draw will take place on **Sunday 26 October 2025 after 10.30 Mass at Mother of God Church Hall**. All members welcome to attend. Please advise of any change of address since you joined to ensure winning prize cheques are posted to the correct address. New members are invited, see John Gray.

### 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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**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).

**Jubilee of Catechists.** 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)

**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).

**Are you looking for a Reception place** for your child starting school in September 2026? Christ the King is your local Catholic School. It is rated outstanding by OFSTED and by the Diocese of Nottingham. We would love to meet you and show you around our vibrant school at our upcoming Open Days. We are holding our Open Days on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November @ 13:30 and Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November @ 10.00. If you would like further information, please ring the school office on 0116 2857261. See poster in church porch.

### 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.

**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!**



**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.

**SECOND COLLECTION TO BE TAKEN ON SUNDAY 19<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER.**