



Welcome to the Catholic Parish of Southwell and Calverton

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3rd and 4th October 2020 : Twenty-seventh Sunday of the Year

Wednesday marks the **Patronal Solemnity of Our Lady of Victories**, a day of rejoicing in our parish as we give glory to the Lord through the intercession of Our Blessed Lady under her title of Our Lady of Victories.

Pope Saint Pius V (the Pope who codified the Tridentine rite of the Mass) established the Feast of Our Lady of Victory in 1571 in thanksgiving after the defeat of Muslim forces during the naval battle off Lepanto, Italy. Two years later, Gregory XIII changed the name of the feast to Our Lady of the Rosary, and set the date for its celebration as the first Sunday in October. Pope Clement XI extended the feast to the Universal Church in 1716, and later the date for the feast was set as 7th October.

There is also a celebration for Our Lady of Victories dating from 1620, when King Louis XIII of France made a vow that if his troops were successful in ousting the Protestants (Huguenots) from their fortress in La Rochelle, he would build a church in honour of the Blessed Virgin. After the victory in 1628, a site for the church was chosen on the property of the Discalced Hermits of Saint Augustine in Paris. King Louis laid the first stone himself, one that was inscribed with a dedication to Our Lady of Victories, on 9th September 1629, although the church building was completed only in 1740. In 1630, a poor labourer entered the Augustinian Order and took the name Brother Fiacre. He took up residence at the shrine and lived there until his death in 1684. Brother Fiacre was renowned as a mystic. He had a vision of the Virgin in 1637, when Mary asked him to tell the king that the latter would soon be blessed with a son



who would inherit the throne. Louis XIV was born on 10th February 1638, and, in thanksgiving, his father consecrated France and the royal family to the Blessed Virgin. Saint John Henry Newman went there to give thanks for his conversion, which had been the subject of prayer there. Later, the young Saint Thérèse of Lisieux prayed before the statue of Our Lady of Victories for Mary's help in following her vocation.

The image of Our Lady of Victories is often given as Our Lady holding the Rosary in her hands, a reminder of the combination of these two celebrations, and of the power of prayer, and especially the Rosary, to overcome all difficulties.

Pray for us, blessed Lady of Victory,
That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

Our Lady of Victory,
we have unshaken confidence in your influence with your Son,
our Lord Jesus Christ.

Humbly we ask your intercession for all of us associated under your title,
Our Lady of Victory. Amen.

A Moment with Mary – Sunday 4th October

Leicestershire Active Catholic Youth (LACY) is delighted to let you know that their postponed liturgy **A Moment with Mary** will now take place via Zoom on **Sunday 4th October at 4.00pm**. We will be spending time with Mary through The Holy Rosary led by Father Simon Gillespie, reflections and prayers. We will be remembering too all the young people of our Diocese who are looking for our Mother Mary's guidance, recognising that she is with us at each stage of our life, gently pointing us towards Jesus. Young people! This is for you! Encourage your family and friends to share this occasion with us together! If you would like to be involved in the liturgy by reading or offering any special messages for our young people, then contact us! For full information for Zoom, the ID and password, e mail: paulinepayne@hotmail.com – we look forward to hearing from you!

Pope's Prayer Intentions for October

The Laity's Mission in the Church

We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

Cafod Harvest Fast Day : Friday 9th October

This week our parish is marking CAFOD's Family Fast Day to help people facing the worst of the coronavirus crisis. We've all felt the impact of this terrible disease – let's come together to help the poorest and most vulnerable people in the world survive, rebuild and heal. Cafod works directly with those communities most in need in countries in Africa, South America, and Asia. This year the money from the Harvest Fast Day will be used to support a variety of projects in each of those parts of the world, making our charity for those less fortunate a reality.

Please pray for all those affected!

If you're able to, please:

✘ donate online at cafod.org.uk/give

✘ or by using one of the **envelopes available at the back of each church**

✘ or you can also give easily via text. **Text CAFOD to 70085 to donate £10.** Texts cost £10 plus one standard rate message and you'll be opting in to hear more about our work and fundraising via telephone and SMS. If you'd like to give £10 but do not wish to receive marketing communications, text CAFODNOINFO to 70085. For more information please see our Privacy Policy: cafod.org.uk/Legal-information/Privacy-notice

Global family food!

This Harvest, as we reach out to our global family facing coronavirus, you can share a simple meal - virtually or physically - with some of our global family food recipes. Or set yourself a cooking challenge!

See more at:

cafod.org.uk/globalfamilyfood



"God, who called you out of darkness into his own marvellous light." 1 Peter 2:9

God, you call us out of darkness.
May we hear your voice
in the cry of our brothers and sisters in crisis.

As you walk alongside us always,
may we walk beside one another
listening and responding in love.

Shine the light of your compassion through us,
dispelling chaos, fear and despair.
Breathe hope and courage into all our hearts
as we work together to rebuild once more.

Strengthen us, Lord, and keep us steadfast.
Bring healing and comfort to all
and lead us renewed into your marvellous light.

We ask this through Christ our Lord,

Amen.

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Coming back to Mass

Many of our parishioners have now come back to Mass, some each week, and some periodically to help allow space for others to come on other Sundays. It's very good to see all those who have come back, and to see new faces each Sunday. Even with the Government's new 'rule of six' there is no change to our Mass routines: we are still able to come to church with a maximum (including priest and stewards) of 20 in Southwell and 24 in Calverton.

To book a place telephone Kathleen and Robert Dixon on 01636 813874, at any reasonable time from Monday morning until Friday evening; if there's no reply leave a message, with your name and number, and they'll return your call. Please note:

- ✘ A place needs to be booked for each individual who plans to attend;
- ✘ You'll be asked to provide a telephone number, to be passed onto Public Health England if needed as part of the 'Test and Trace' system. Providing your telephone number is now a requirement;
- ✘ For Sunday Masses bookings can be made only during the preceding week, from Monday morning, until Friday evening, running up to the Sunday Mass booked.

What to expect when coming to Mass

In order to comply with the Bishop's guidelines on celebrating Masses in the covid-19 period there'll be some differences in that way we come to Mass and the way Mass is celebrated. These will be outlined when you book for Mass, and when you arrive at church. If you haven't booked to come to Mass please don't simply turn up: unfortunately you won't be allowed to enter. Please follow these directions, and recognise that those asking you to follow the directions are volunteers themselves:

- ✘ Please don't attend if you show any symptoms of covid-19;
- ✘ Try to arrive no earlier than half an hour before Mass, and no later than ten minutes before Mass, to allow time for each person to enter one-by-one;
- ✘ Enter via the car park and follow the one-way signs, waiting by the 2 metre markers in front of the church door if others have arrived before you;
- ✘ Entry will be via the main door of the church;
- ✘ Ensure you bring a mask to wear throughout the time in church, except when receiving Holy Communion;
- ✘ Please use the hand-sanitiser (provided) on arrival;
- ✘ Please take one of the Mass Sheets, and a Newsletter, and take them home with you after Mass;

- ✘ Put your weekly offering into the basket in the narthex; at present there are two collections as we're 'catching up' the second collections, with each second collection being available for two consecutive Sundays;
- ✘ There won't be any holy water available, the repository will be closed, and there are no Catholic papers currently available;
- ✘ Please sit on the seat to which you are directed, following the (marked) one-way system. Seating will be from the front of church first, and parishioners will be seated at two-metre intervals (in Southwell couples can sit next to each other, and families in a single pew; in Calverton the chairs have been laid out singularly, and so each person will be at a two-metre distance from the next person);
- ✘ Please avoid any contact with other parishioners; please don't speak before Mass unless necessary;
- ✘ Only the disabled toilet will be available for use, and only if absolutely necessary. If you do use the toilet, please do so before you are seated, and then go to your seat (in Southwell, by exiting the hall lobby, walking around the side of the church, and re-entering the church through the main door, following the one-way system);
- ✘ Windows and doors will be open to enable as much ventilation as possible, **although we now have permission from the diocese to close the lower windows in Southwell, as well as one half of the main doors during (but not prior to) Mass; in Calverton one fire door will be closed and the other ajar only;**
- ✘ The Mass Sheet will explain the changes in the way Mass is celebrated, please ensure you read it before Mass, noting in particular:
 - There will be no congregational singing;
 - Responses will be made with quiet voices;
 - There will be no ministries (eg altar servers, readers) during Mass;
 - There will be no sign of peace;
 - Holy Communion will be distributed immediately following Mass;
- ✘ After Mass you will be invited to receive Holy Communion; please then leave the church following the one-way system, out into the car park (in Southwell, through the parish hall lobby) and please leave immediately.
- ✘ Since it is not now permitted to gather publicly in groups of more than six, although we are exempt in church for Mass, groups of more than six in the church car park could be deemed to be breaking this restriction. Please ensure that you don't linger, tempting as it is to chat with fellow parishioners!
- ✘ As the weather becomes a little cooler please dress appropriately for the weather and temperature.

<p>If you have difficulties with these instructions please contact Father Simon.</p>

Ways to continue to participate in the life of the Church

The **readings and prayers for Mass** each day can be found here:

- <https://universalis.com/europe.england.nottingham/mass.htm>

Daily Mass is broadcast from our Cathedral in Nottingham at the following times:

- Sundays and Saturdays: 10am
- Weekdays: 1pm

The link to the televised Mass is here:

- http://www.stbarnabascathedral.org.uk/01_Community/livestream.html

Daily Mass is broadcast from the National Shrine and Minor Basilica of Our Lady in Walsingham each day at 12 noon:

- <http://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream>

Sunday Mass, celebrated by Bishop Patrick, will be broadcast from his chapel at Bishop's House each Sunday at 10am:

- www.youtube.com/channel/UCaf7upUMsn3Kl8GD79FotjQ/featured?fbclid=IwAR1JRpqkdO0rHZY98bsnSC_N9TKbvSKXv0L5bT4yVCcMTHaVmAwaW4g-rAk

Resources for children and young people can be found via the Nottingham Diocesan Catholic Youth Service's (NDCYS) website:

- <https://ndcys.com>

There are ideas for **children's liturgy** on Cafod's website:

- <https://cafod.org.uk/Education/Children-s-liturgy>

A Spiritual Communion

Spiritual Communion is the heartfelt desire to receive Our Lord, even when we are unable to do so. If you are live-streaming the Mass, or praying the texts of the Mass, when it comes to the time for receiving Holy Communion pray instead the prayer:

From Saint Alphonsus Liguori:

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as being already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Prayer during the Coronavirus Pandemic

O Mary,
you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.
At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith.
You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need.
We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee,
joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.
Help us, Mother of Divine Love,
to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us:
He who took our sufferings upon Himself,
and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross,
to the joy of the Resurrection.
Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.
Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test
and deliver us from every danger,
O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

A Prayer to my Guardian Angel when I can't get to Mass

Dear Guardian Angel,
go for me to the church, there kneel down at Mass for me.
At the Offertory, take me to God, and offer him my service:
what I am, what I have, offer as my gift.
At the Consecration, with your seraphic strength,
adore my Saviour truly present,
praying for those who have loved me, for those who have offended me,
and for those now deceased, that the blood of Jesus may purify them all.
During Holy Communion, bring to me the Body and Blood of Jesus
uniting him with me in spirit, so that my heart may become his dwelling place.
Plead with him, that through his sacrifice
all people throughout the world may be saved.
When the Mass ends,
bring home to me and to every home, the Lord's blessing.
Amen.

Prayer for the Year of the Word

Living God,
you walk alongside us and speak to us throughout the Scriptures.
Your Son, Jesus Christ,
listens to our hopes and fears
and shows us how to live for one another.
Send us the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds
so that we may be your witnesses throughout the world.
Amen.

V. Your word is our path and your truth is our light.
R. This day and every day.

Our Lady of the Annunciation : Pray for us.
Saint Matthew : Pray for us.
Saint Jerome : Pray for us.

Covid-19 and Vaccination

A statement from the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales:

The development of a vaccine against covid-19 would be an important breakthrough to protect others from the scourge of this virulent virus which has caused a global pandemic and led to huge loss of life as well as stretching healthcare systems to their limits. Pope Francis has called for a successful and safe covid-19 vaccine to be 'universal for everyone.'¹ When a successful vaccine is produced, there will therefore be the further challenge of mass production, distribution, and availability, especially for the poor of the world, as well as the need to establish its long-term effects.

We are living with a new awareness of the fragility of being human in the world of covid-19. The first response for Catholics is to pray for an end to the pandemic, for the relief of suffering, for healthcare professionals, for the bereaved and the dead, as well as for the discovery of an ethically sourced effective vaccine.

Concern has been expressed by some Catholics, and others, about the potential sources of a new vaccine since some vaccines have been developed in cell-lines which have their origin in tissues taken from human foetal tissue.² Other ethical issues include rigorous testing of the proposed vaccine and individual consent both for the experimental medicine which tests the vaccine on individuals and for the vaccine itself, and justice in access to the vaccine when it becomes available.

Bishop Sherrington wrote to the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Health asking for clarification from the department about the potential sources of a vaccination. He sought reassurance that the department will promote research into a vaccine derived from a source which would not be ethically problematic for Catholics and which does not involve moral complicity in abortion. Such a vaccine would appeal to the conscience of Catholics and others who hold strong views against abortion.

A response has now been received from the Department for Health and Social Care which recognises that the source of the vaccine raises moral concerns and gives assurance that no new human foetal issue will be used in making the vaccine although cell-lines developed from the remains of aborted fetuses in the past are being researched by some institutions. The Department has also given assurances that any vaccine which is developed will be safe and effective.

Principles Catholic teaching protects the good of every life and the health of all and teaches that one must not do harm to another.³ A vaccine will seek to protect the whole of society from this virulent virus. Individuals should welcome the vaccine not only for the sake of their own health but also out of solidarity with others, especially the most vulnerable.

The Catholic Church respects life in the womb from conception and at every stage of its subsequent development. The Church recognises moral complicity in the use of tissue and cells from aborted fetuses for research and is opposed to such use. The remains of human embryos and fetuses deserve the respect due to the remains of other human beings. The Church teaches that there must be no complicity in direct abortion and the risk of scandal should be avoided.⁴

Catholics have a responsibility to voice their concerns about the origin of vaccines and argue that research and funding should be directed to sourcing a vaccine in an ethically sound way. If this is not possible, many Catholics and others will experience moral distress when faced with a choice of rejecting vaccination, either for themselves or their children, with its serious and life-threatening consequences, or seeming to be complicit in abortion. We hope that the government will ensure that ethically sourced vaccines are also available.⁵

The seriousness of the question has led to examination of the use of cell-lines from aborted fetuses both by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith (CDF), *Dignitatis personae* (2008)⁶ and the Pontifical Academy for Life (2005)⁷, (2017)⁸. The CDF document recognises that there are 'differing degrees of responsibility' for those who use the human 'biological material' of illicit origin, ie we must differentiate between those who use tissue directly from an abortion, researchers

who use derived material, and those who may benefit from a vaccine produced from such material. Different degrees of responsibility imply different degrees of moral complicity. These distinctions are important as we live in an imperfect world in which we may benefit from the wrongful actions of others. The Instruction continues “Grave reasons may be morally proportionate to justify the use of such ‘biological material’. Thus, for example, danger to the health of children could permit parents to use a vaccine which was developed using cell lines of illicit origin, while keeping in mind that everyone has the duty to make known their disagreement and to ask that their healthcare system make other types of vaccines available. Moreover, in organizations where cell lines of illicit origin are being utilized, the responsibility of those who make the decision to use them is not the same as that of those who have no voice in such a decision.” (CDF, *Dignitatis personae* 35).⁹

Educating Conscience Each Catholic needs to educate his or her conscience on this matter in the light of the above principles. Research towards and use of an ethically sourced vaccine is the goal which we desire. If this is not achievable and widely available for all people, the Church recognises that there may be ‘grave reasons’ for using a vaccine which is developed from cell-lines associated with the unethical exploitation of the human remains of an aborted child in the past.

The prudent judgement of conscience will depend on responsibilities to others, as well as personal health and protection of human life. Whilst many may in good conscience judge that they will accept such a vaccine, some may in good conscience judge that they will not. If the choice is made not to receive this vaccination, then the person must make other provision to mitigate the risk of harm to the life or health of others and to his or her own life and health.

Department for Social Justice, Catholic Bishops’ Conference of England and Wales
24 September 2020

- 1 BBC News report: ‘Coronavirus: Pope’s vaccine plea and universities facing ‘crazy demand’ www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk53839374
- 2 It was reported that research in the University of Oxford uses cell-line HEK 293 modified from tissue removed from the kidney of an unborn child aborted probably in 1972, while another cell-line PER C6 is sourced from the retinal tissue of an 18-week old baby aborted in 1985. <https://www.sciencemag.org/news/2020/06/abortion-opponents-protest-covid-19-vaccines-use-fetal-cells>
- 3 CBCEW, *Cherishing Life* (2004), 168.
- 4 CDF, *Dignitatis personae*, 35.
- 5 For further reading, Dr Helen Watt, www.bioethics.org.uk/images/user/covidbriefing2.pdf
- 6 www.vatican.va/roman_curia/congregations/cfaith/documents/rc_con_cfaith_doc_20081208_dignitatis-personae_en.html
- 7 ‘Moral reflections on vaccines prepared from cells derived from aborted human foetuses’ www.immunize.org/talking-aboutvaccines/vaticandocument.htm
- 8 www.academyforlife.va/content/pav/en/the-academy/activity-academy/note-vaccini.html
- 9 Pontifical Academy for Life (2017): “The technical characteristics of the production of the vaccines most commonly used in childhood lead us to exclude that there is a morally relevant cooperation between those who use these vaccines today and the practice of voluntary abortion. Hence, we believe that all clinically recommended vaccinations can be used with a clear conscience and that the use of such vaccines does not signify some sort of cooperation with voluntary abortion.” www.academyforlife.va/content/pav/en/the-academy/activity-academy/note-vaccini.html

Baby Loss Awareness Week

Baby Loss Awareness Week takes place every year; this year, it's from Friday 9th Thursday 15th October. It aims to raise awareness of baby loss in the UK. More information is on the website: <https://babylossmatters.lifecharity.org.uk> During this week we might pray the prayers below, or make them available to anyone we know who might be in need of the prayers.

Prayer for the parents and family of a child who's died:

God, bless those who have lost a child. Heal their hurting, aching hearts, and cradle them in Your arms. God, give them peace, who's child is now with You, and joy in knowing they will reunite someday. Amen.

Pope Benedict XVI's prayer for the sanctity of human life:

Lord Jesus, You who faithfully visit and fulfil with your Presence the Church and the history of men; You who in the miraculous Sacrament of your Body and Blood render us participants in divine Life and allow us a foretaste of the joy of eternal Life; we adore and bless You.

Prostrated before You, source and lover of Life, truly present and alive among us, we beg you:

Reawaken in us respect for every unborn life, make us capable of seeing in the fruit of the maternal womb the miraculous work of the Creator, open our hearts to generously welcoming every child that comes into life.

Bless all families, sanctify the union of spouses, render fruitful their love.

Accompany the choices of legislative assemblies with the light of your Spirit, so that peoples and nations may recognise and respect the sacred nature of life, of every human life.

Guide the work of scientists and doctors, so that all progress contributes to the integral well-being of the person, and no one endures suppression or injustice.

Give creative charity to administrators and economists, so they may realize and promote sufficient conditions so that young families can serenely embrace the birth of new children.

Console the married couples who suffer because they are unable to have children and in Your goodness provide for them.

Teach us all to care for orphaned or abandoned children, so they may experience the warmth of your Charity, the consolation of your divine Heart.

Together with Mary, Your Mother, the great believer, in whose womb you took on our human nature, we wait to receive from You, our Only True Good and Saviour, the strength to love and serve life, in anticipation of living forever in You, in communion with the Blessed Trinity.

The Bishop's Statement on Marriage

Marriage is a lifelong vocation of a man and a woman to a community of life and love open to children, and, between the baptized, it is a Sacrament. Aware of the many pressures today which can endanger family life, the Church is constantly concerned to make sure that those of you planning to marry are prepared as well as possible. We would like to remind those who wish to marry of the following:

1. It is important that a couple go to see their priest in good time before their wedding. Normally, at least six months' notice should be given.
2. Marriage preparation is carried out by the priest, often assisted by a group from the parish. Courses arranged on a deanery basis are recommended.
3. Catholics are reminded of their obligation to preserve their faith and to do all they can within the unity of their partnership to have all their children baptized and brought up in the faith and practice of the Catholic Church.
4. Non-Catholic partners will be informed of this promise, but they are not asked to make this or any similar promise.
5. Dispensation for a marriage between a Catholic and a non-Catholic to take place in a non-Catholic church can only be granted for a serious reason. Couples who wish to marry in a non-Catholic church should discuss the matter with their priest in good time before their wedding day to see whether a dispensation could be granted.

All couples marrying these days need the support of the local Church. In this way they will be strengthened in their preparation for marriage, in celebrating their marriage, and in living out their covenant with one another.

We wish to thank all those married people who show such constancy and fidelity to their vocation of marriage. May their example inspire those planning to marry in the Church.

Right Reverend Patrick McKinney
Bishop of Nottingham

Supporting Newark Foodbank

The following items are especially needed at the moment:

- ✘ Fruit juice (long life)
- ✘ Instant mashed potato
- ✘ Tinned rice pudding
- ✘ Sponge puddings
- ✘ Feminine deodorant

Items can be donated at the Co-op, One Stop, and Lloyds Chemist in Southwell.

October : The Month of the Rosary

October is one of two months – together with May – when we pray especially to God through the intercession his blessed Mother, Mary. In October we use the Rosary as the focus of our prayer. This is a meditative form of prayer that uses the frequent repetition of prayers, especially the *Hail Mary*, to help to calm our minds and focus them towards the stillness of God and in contemplation of his love for us. It is a good discipline to pray the Rosary often, but perhaps especially in October. If you've not prayed the Rosary much before, consider starting again this month and asking Mary to help you in your prayers and in your life.

The word Rosary means 'Crown of Roses'. Our Lady has revealed to several people that each time they say a Hail Mary they are giving her a beautiful rose and that each complete Rosary makes her a crown of roses. The rose is the queen of flowers, and so the Rosary is at the centre of all Catholic devotions and many consider it to be the most important one. The Rosary is considered a perfect prayer because within it lies the awesome story of our salvation. Through the Rosary we meditate on the mysteries of joy, of light, of sorrow and of the glory of Jesus. **Perhaps this week we could be challenged to pray even one decade of the rosary?**

Feasts this week : Saint John Henry Newman : Friday 9th October

Saint John Henry Newman was a priest, theologian, writer and preacher.

Born in London in 1801, Newman studied at Oxford's Trinity College, was a tutor at Oriel College and for 17 years vicar of the university church, Saint Mary the Virgin. He published eight volumes of Parochial and Plain Sermons as well as two novels. His poem, the Dream of Gerontius, was set to music by Sir Edward Elgar.

Historical research made Newman suspect that the Roman Catholic Church was in closest continuity with the Church that Jesus established. In 1845, he was received into full communion as a Catholic. Two years later he was ordained a Catholic priest in Rome and joined the Congregation of the Oratory, founded three centuries earlier by Saint Philip Neri. Returning to England, Newman founded Oratory houses in Birmingham and London and for seven years served as rector of the Catholic University of Ireland.

When Newman was named a cardinal in 1879, he took as his motto 'Cor ad cor loquitur' (Heart speaks to heart). Pope Benedict XVI beatified John Henry Newman on 19 September 2010, at Crofton Park, near Birmingham, and he was canonized by Pope Francis in Rome last October. The Canonization Mass can be watched here: www.youtube.com/watch?v=8J2rBdoi3cM

Diocesan Justice and Peace Commission

Heal the World The diocesan Justice and Peace Commission invites you to a series of gatherings by Zoom, Mondays at 5.30pm and Fridays at 9.30am from Monday 5th October. Heal the World is part online retreat, part formation, part springboard for action, inspired by Pope Francis' recent talks on Catholic social teaching and covid-19. Everyone is very welcome – there's even an option to join by phone. Visit dioceseofnottingham.uk/healtheworld or call Paul on 07470 907656.

Parish Newsletter by email

If you'd like to receive the parish newsletter by email simply email Father Simon at simon.gillespie@dioceseofnottingham.uk, asking to be added. It's necessary to have parishioners' consent to send the newsletter, and other messages, via email.

Likewise if you haven't filled in a parish census form please consider doing so. The form can be found on the forms tab of the parish website.

Financial Support of our Parish

Father Simon celebrates Mass each day; if you wish to have a Mass offered for an intention put a Mass envelope through the presbytery letterbox, or email Father Simon directly. The Mass intentions are published in the newsletter, and this is one of the traditional ways in which parishioners support the parish.

Sincere thanks to those parishioners who have set-up standing orders. If you've able to set one up the details are:

- Account name: **Our Lady of Victories Southwell RCP**
- Sort Code: **30-67-76**
- Account number: **45368360**

Many thanks to all our parishioners for your continuing generosity!

Second Collection : Peter's Pence

This Sunday a second collection will be held for **Peter's Pence**, the worldwide collection, usually taken on 29th June which is used by the Pope to help and support charitable activities throughout the world. The collection has been delayed this year, but thank you to parishioners in advance for your generosity in assisting the Pope to give something of our surplus to those brothers and sisters who have very little.

A reflection from 'Marriage Matters'

Loving and honouring each other and the Lord

When you married you took each other *for better, for worse*. God experienced the 'worse' when his 'bride', the Jewish people, rejected him by worshipping other gods. The 'worse' for you may be when your spouse mocks your beliefs. Have you shared your hurt, let them know your pain? Remember, though, that God has loved the 'worst' in you.

The Cycle of Prayer

During Autumn Ordinary Time we are asked to pray for the following intentions in our own private prayer:

- ✕ 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 World;
- ✕ All Victims of War;
- ✕ Young People;
- ✕ Prisoners and their Families.

Prayers for ...

Please remember in your prayers especially:

- ✕ **All those affected by the coronavirus outbreak** – those infected, those caring for them, those who have died, and those who mourn.
- ✕ **Father Terry Fellows**, a retired priest of the diocese and most recently parish priest of Saint Peter and Saint Paul parish, Earl Shilton, who died on Saturday 26th September. May he rest in peace.
- ✕ **Michael Price**, who died on Sunday 27th September. May he rest in peace.
- ✕ **Alan Ward** who is seriously ill in these days.
- ✕ **Clergy of our diocese who are sick at this time**: Monsignor Jonathan Moore, Fathers John Cairns, Anthony Colebrook, John Daley IC, Hugh Doherty, James Hannigan, Peter Harvey, Christopher Hogan, James Lynch, Frank McLaughlin, Robert Rutledge, Michael Tutcher; Deacons Tom Berrie, Stephen Doona, Bill Hutchinson and Robin Pollard.
- ✕ **Rt Rev Eric Varden**, Abbot of Mount Saint Bernard Abbey, Leicestershire, who is ordained bishop for the ecclesiastical circumscription of Trondheim on Saturday 3rd October.
- ✕ **Benjamin Neil Gillespie** (Father Simon's nephew) born on Sunday 27th September.

Masses and Services this week

Saturday 3rd October

No morning Mass

Saturday Memorial of Our Lady

Twenty-seventh Sunday of the Year

Collection for Peter's Pence at Sunday Masses
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S 6.00pm Mass

Mary Back RIP

Sunday 4th October

Twenty-seventh Sunday of the Year

C 10.45am Mass

William Marriott RIP

Monday 5th October

Feria

Mass

Sally Kirby RIP

Tuesday 6th October

Memorial of Saint Bruno, priest and religious

Mass

Holy Souls

Wednesday 7th October

PATRONAL SOLEMNITY OF OUR LADY OF VICTORIES

Mass

Pro Populo (people of the parish)

Thursday 8th October

Feria

Mass

Maurice and Gwen Joyce RIP

Friday 9th October

Feast of Saint John Henry Newman

Cafod Harvest Fast Day

Mass

Michael Feeny RIP

Saturday 10th October

**Memorial of Saint Paulinus of York, bishop,
and the Anglo-Saxon Saints of our Diocese**

No morning Mass

Twenty-eighth Sunday of the Year

Collection for Cafod's Harvest Fast Day at Sunday Masses

S 6.00pm Mass

Matilda and Joseph McBride RIP

Sunday 11th October

Twenty-eighth Sunday of the Year

C 10.45am Mass

Pro Populo (people of the parish)

Readings at Masses this week

Sunday Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 79(80):9.12-16.19-20; Philippians 4:6-9;
Matthew 21:33-43

Monday Galatians 1:6-12; Psalm 110(111):1-2.7-10; Luke 10:25-37

Tuesday Galatians 1:13-24; Psalm 138(139):1-3.13-15; Luke 10:38-42

Wednesday Acts 1:12-14; Luke 1:46-55; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 1:26-38

Thursday Galatians 3:1-5; Luke 1:69-75; Luke 11:5-13

Friday 1 Corinthians 2:10-16; Psalm 144(145):8-14; Matthew 13:47-52

Saturday Galatians 3:22-29; Psalm 104(105):2-7; Luke 11:27-28