



# THE PARISH OF THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS, NORTH NOTTINGHAM

SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF BESTWOOD, BULWELL AND HUCKNALL.

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**SCHOOLS SERVING OUR PARISH:**

**PRIMARY SCHOOLS:**  
 Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Bulwell  
 Head Teacher — Mrs. Fiona Wadley  
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 Head Teacher — Mrs Sarah Sweeney McGinty  
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 Holy Cross, Hucknall  
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 Trinity School, Aspley  
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 0115 9296251  
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**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - 12TH APRIL 2026**  
**MASS TIMES, SERVICES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK**

**Suggested Donation for Newsletter 20p**

SATURDAY - THE VIGIL OF THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY	11th	5.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Alusia Ivaniak RIP
SUNDAY - THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY	12th	9.00am 11.00am 2.30pm	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S	Amal Abraham RIP Catherine and John Heraghty RIP Divine Mercy
MONDAY - EASTER FERIA	13th			
TUESDAY - EASTER FERIA	14th			
WEDNESDAY - EASTER FERIA	15th			
THURSDAY - EASTER FERIA	16th			
FRIDAY - EASTER FERIA	17th	7pm	OUR LADY'S	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Divine Mercy Chaplet
SATURDAY - THE VIGIL OF THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	18th	10.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S	Funeral service for Mary Robinson RIP Baptism of Teodor & Leon Zimochocki Mary Lawlor RIP (3rd anniversary)
SUNDAY - THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	19th	9.00am 11.00am 12.30pm	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S	Terry Jayes RIP Intentions of the Friends of Jesus of Nazareth community Baptism of Chikazo Aniaku

**RECONCILIATION - Our Lady's - Saturdays 4.15 - 4.45pm Holy Cross - after Mass on Wednesdays**

**PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS IN OUR PARISH**

**HOLY CROSS**

at Michael Hallam's house **Sunday at 4.00pm.**  
 If you require a lift please ring 0115 9630925.

**FRIENDS OF JESUS OF NAZARETH COMMUNITY**

at Our Lady's church - **Sunday at 4.00pm.**

If you are unable to attend, you can join in by saying the Rosary and the following prayer to the Holy Spirit in your homes:

*O Holy Spirit, pull down the barriers and take away those inhibitions that prevent or hold back those whom God the Father has chosen, and whom His Son Jesus has called to follow Him to serve in His Vineyard. Empower them with courage and steadfastness in Faith to respond to His call, to the glory and praise of the Most Holy Trinity. Amen.*

**SCRIPTURE GROUP**

Date for the next meeting will be Tuesday 28th April at 7.00pm in Our Lady's Parish Hall.

**BIBLE STUDY MEETING HOLY CROSS**  
 Meeting April 14th at 7pm



**THE LEGION OF MARY**  
 Our Lady's - Every Sunday after 11am Mass.  
 Everyone welcome to join.

**WORD OF THE WEEK: MERCY:** Mercy is God's love and forgiveness in action. We see this gift in a powerful way during Eastertide as we remember what Jesus did for us out of love. This Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday and it is a reminder that we must be merciful to others, just as God is merciful with us.

*Try and be merciful with everyone you meet this week, just as God is merciful with us.*

**CELEBRATING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST AND OUR PARISH COMMUNITY**

Dear friends and fellow parishioners,

As we journeyed together through Lent, we prepared ourselves with acts of penance, heartfelt prayer, and generous Christian charity. Our shared hope was to arrive at Easter with hearts and minds uplifted, keeping Christ Jesus at the centre of all we do and aspire to. Now, as Easter dawns, we find ourselves basking in the healing light of the resurrection—the light of God's boundless love that fills all creation and reaches into the depths of our being, bringing comfort and restoration. This light, which never fades, brings healing and hope even in the darkest moments of our lives. We all know that life can sometimes feel overshadowed by worries and uncertainty, and each of us faces such darkness in our own unique way. Yet, as St. John reminds us, Christ is the Light of the World—a light that darkness cannot overcome. In his resurrection, Jesus is powerfully present with us, offering salvation and companionship on our pilgrimage through life. He is with us always, loving us more deeply than we can ever comprehend. This Easter, let us rejoice in the freedom that comes from our faith in God and embrace our calling to share his love and joy with others. Each one of us is invited to be missionary, spreading the hope and happiness we have found in Christ to those who are longing for it in their own lives. As we enter this blessed season, I encourage you to keep your gaze fixed on Jesus, the Resurrection and the Life, so that his peace and joy may fill your hearts—not just at Easter, but always.

May the risen Lord bless you and your loved ones, and may the joy of Easter fill your homes and hearts with hope, peace and happiness. With every blessing, Fr Richard.

*I would like to take this opportunity to thank personally everyone who made our Holy Week and Easter liturgies such a success. There are too many people to mention by name but a special thanks to all our sacristans, altar servers, Eucharistic ministers, musicians, readers, church cleaners, flower arrangers, Easter garden creators and to all who give of their time so generously unseen. Also much appreciation to all who attended all the services in such big numbers. I would like to thank everyone for their best wishes, cards and gifts I received for Easter. I hope you all had a peaceful and blessed time. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for your continued support within the parish. Please be proud of yourselves for the time and financial support you give your parish. Your parish would not survive without this commitment. God bless. Fr Richard.*

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY APRIL 12TH - OUR LADY'S**

The celebration begins at 2.30pm and ends at 3.45pm. Guest speaker Rev Evarist Kaniki. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available for one hour after the service. You are all invited to come and join us for this great feast.

*Quote from Sr Faustina's diary - My daughter, speak to the world of my inexhaustible mercy. I desire that this Feast be a refuge and a shelter for all souls, especially for poor.*



**PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES**

For those who are registered for envelopes and have used your current ones, please collect your new box from the back of church. The number on the envelope may have changed. If anyone would like to change to give via standing order, please contact the office.

**RED MISSIO BOXES - HOLY CROSS**

It is time to empty your Missio boxes. If you have one and would like it emptying, please bring to the Sacristy for Dorothy to collect.

**THE ARCHIVES DEPARTMENT**

is hosting an Open Day at the McGuinness Centre, Brooklyn Road, Nottingham NG6 9ES on **Friday 17th April between 2.00pm and 6.00pm.**

Are you an organised individual with an interest in Church history, genealogy, and basic Microsoft skills? The Archives Department would love to see you there!

**POOR CLARE SISTERS**

would like to thank everyone for the Easter greetings and generosity they have received. Christ is risen, alleluia!

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF**

Mary Robinson RIP whose funeral service will take place at **Holy Cross church on Saturday 18th April at 10am.** We pray especially for her family and friends at this difficult time. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her; may she rest in peace, Amen.

**CONGRATULATIONS**

to Paris, Martin, Kwun, Danni-Jay, Gary, Lisa, Samuel, Sarah, Gloria, Kelly-Marie and Oghosa who were received into full communion with the Catholic Church at Easter. May the grace of the Holy Spirit, which was poured out upon them, strengthen them as new members of God's holy people.

**FIRE MARSHALL TRAINING**

On **Thursday 23rd April at 7pm** there will be a training session in the **hall at Our Lady's** for all parishioners who volunteer in both churches. Fire marshalls play a critical role in maintaining a safe environment within the church buildings. If any other parishioners would like to volunteer in the this role, please contact the office or speak to Fr Richard.

**REMINDER TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS**

Children must not go to the toilet alone. Parents or guardians must accompany them if they need to use the toilet during Mass. Your support helps ensure that every child in our parish community is kept safe.

**WEEKLY COLLECTIONS**

4/5TH APRIL **HOLY CROSS** £556.80 S/O £233.00 **OUR LADY'S** £894.94 S/O £498.00  
**HOLY PLACES IN PALESTINE HOLY CROSS** £160.43 **OUR LADY'S** £295.50

**BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS TO DONATE**

**MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS NOTTM RCP**  
 SORT CODE: 30-96-18 ACCOUNT NO: 01642187

**MINDFUL MERCIFUL CAFÉS**

**HOLY CROSS** will open again on **Wednesday 27th May at 10.30am.**

**OUR LADY'S** meets every **Thursday 10am—12.30pm** in the parish hall. **EVERYONE WELCOME.**

**HOLY CROSS CHURCH READER**

Sunday 19th April - Louise Cooke  
**WELCOMERS**

Sunday 19th April - Abigail Alcantara

**CHURCH CLEANING**

Sunday 19th April - Henrieta Obiora and Sylvia Abaokporo

**OUR LADY'S CHURCH**

**READERS** Saturday 18th April - Ifeoma Ude

Sunday 19th April - Victoria Ifesemen/Renee Musa-Oputteh

**WELCOMERS** Saturday 18th April - Kath Huckerby and Sam Cropley

Sunday 19th April - Monica Maina and Alexander Mirie

**OUR LADY'S CHURCH CLEANING FOR APRIL**

Team A (Teresa, Maram, Juliana, Chiamaka, Cynthia and Antony)

**REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS**

Sunday 19th April - Alberta, Ruth, Ben and Eucharia

A hearing loop system is available in both churches. Please set your hearing aid to 'T' (Telecoil) setting in order for it to work.



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