



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

SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF BESTWOOD, BULWELL AND HUCKNALL.

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 Head Teacher — Mrs Sarah Sweeney McGinty
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 0115 9534577
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 Trinity School, Aspley
 Head Teacher — Mr. Matthew Shenton
 0115 9296251
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 Head Teacher —Miss Jo Love
 0115 9556262

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER— 3RD MAY 2026

MASS TIMES, SERVICES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Suggested Donation for Newsletter 20p

SATURDAY - THE VIGIL OF THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	2nd	11.00am 5.00pm	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	Baptism of Reuben Kiragu Phillimore-Wamburi Rena Pakenham RIP
SUNDAY - THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	3rd	9.00am 11.00am	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	People of the Parish Hilary McCormack RIP
MONDAY - THE ENGLISH MARTYRS (FEAST)	4th			
TUESDAY - EASTER FERIA	5th	9.30am	OUR LADY'S	Intentions of John Staniland
WEDNESDAY - EASTER FERIA	6th	9.30am 12.00noon	OUR LADY'S HOLY CROSS	Requiem Mass for Master Emmanuel Daniel RIP Deacon Martyn Swaby RIP
THURSDAY - EASTER FERIA	7th	9.30am 10.00am	OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S	Deacon Martyn Swaby RIP Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
FRIDAY - EASTER FERIA	8th	7.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Divine Mercy Chaplet
SATURDAY - THE VIGIL OF THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	9th	5.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Annie Argyle RIP
SUNDAY - THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	10th	9.00am 11.00am	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	Virginia Evans RIP Charles Roberts RIP

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:

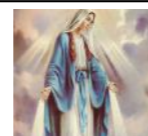
O Holy Spirit, pull down the barriers and take away those inhibitions that prevent or hold back those whom God the Father has chosen, and whom His Son Jesus has called to follow Him to serve in His Vineyard. Empower them with courage and steadfastness in Faith to respond to His call, to the glory and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

SCRIPTURE GROUP

Date for the next meeting will be
Wednesday 27th May.

BIBLE STUDY MEETING

HOLY CROSS
 Meeting May 5th
 at 7pm



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

WORD OF THE WEEK: WITNESS: Witness is the sharing of our faith with others. It is a way of testifying to the truth of Jesus Christ and the Gospel message. Our witness can be a way of celebrating the hope and joy that we have in Jesus and a way of powerfully sharing the good news with those around us.

Find one way to share what your faith means to you with someone else this week.

DEACON MARTYN SWABY RIP

It is with great sadness that we share news of the sudden passing of Reverend Deacon Martyn Swaby on Tuesday 28th April 2026. Since joining our parish as a Deacon on 12th May 2013, Martyn was a dedicated servant whose absence will be profoundly felt by everyone. During his years with us, and whilst also working as a Mental Health Chaplain for the NHS, Deacon Martyn touched many lives—baptising children, officiating at weddings, conducting funerals, and leading sacramental programmes within the parish.

He will especially be remembered for founding the Mind to be Merciful Cafe, offering comfort and support to so many people. Prior to joining the Diaconate, Martyn, along with his family, was a longstanding parishioner of Our Lady's and a Governor from the early 2000's, as well as being a great supporter of the Friends of the School. Deacon Martyn played an important role at Our Lady's school, visiting each week and serving as Chair of Governors. His cheeky sense of humour and genuine kindness made him cherished and respected throughout our parish community.

Martyn has been a great help and support to myself since arriving in the parish, going above and beyond whilst I was unwell. I will miss our conversations and his quirky sense of humour.

Martyn was truly a pillar within our parish and local school, and his legacy of compassion and service will be long remembered. His commitment leaves an enduring mark on all those who knew him, and he will be greatly missed. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Martyn and we remember and pray especially for his wife Toni, son Jack, daughter Emma, Anthony, Emma's fiance and family during this difficult time.

May his kind and gentle soul Rest in Peace.

Eternal rest grant unto him oh Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen



CONFIRMATION

The Bishop will be visiting our parish on **Friday 6th November 2026** to confer the Sacrament of Confirmation in Our Lady's church. We are inviting all young people from Year 10 upwards, who would be interested in making their Confirmation this year, to write a letter **by hand** to Father Richard. In it, they should explain why they would like to receive this Sacrament.

These are attached to the registration forms available at the back of both churches. When completed please hand in after weekend Mass at either church. If any adults are wishing to be Confirmed, please contact the parish office for further details.

Candidates' hand-written letters should be submitted by **Sunday 24th May.**



MASS ATTENDANCE

We are delighted to see such a wonderful turnout at our Sunday Masses and warmly welcome all newcomers to our congregation. To ensure that everyone is comfortably seated, we kindly ask parishioners to make the best use of available space on the pews and to move along so that as many people as possible can be accommodated. We recognise the need to support families with young children and have made a dedicated space for pushchairs at the back of the church by removing a pew. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we work to make Mass a welcoming and safe experience for everyone.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR OPERATING SCREENS—OUR LADY'S

We need volunteers please to help set up and operate the laptop for the screens in Our Lady's church. If you would like to help with this important ministry please get in touch with the office.

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.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSHINGHAM

Saturday 20th June 2026. A coach will be leaving from Sacred Heart Church, Carlton NG4 1FP at 8am and then leaving Good Shepherd, Arnold NG5 4HT at 8.15am. If you would like to go, seats cost £25 payable in advance. Please email ccen@dioceseofnottingham.uk or telephone 0115 9118266 to book your place.

ST COLETTE'S SALE

Baby clothes, equipment and toys **Saturday 30th May 12.30pm - 3pm** and **Sunday 31st May 10.45am (after Mass) - 1pm** at St Paul's Church Hall, Lenton Boulevard, NG7 2BY. Good quality, some new items, very reasonable prices

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

25TH/26TH APRIL HOLY CROSS £300.80 S/O £233.00 OUR LADY'S £460.48 S/O £498.00
 CLERGY FORMATION FUND HOLY CROSS £142.98 OUR LADY'S 199.27

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 10th May - Roseanna Stanforth-Ward

WELCOMERS

Sunday 10th May - Olimpia and Ciprian Blaj

CHURCH CLEANING

Sunday 10th May - Emmanuel and Esther Obasi

OUR LADY'S CHURCH

READERS Saturday 9th May - Elaine Foley

Sunday 10th May - Patrick Nlemibe

WELCOMERS Saturday 9th May - Sue Sullivan and Chris Reilly

Sunday 10th May - Jane Maina, Gladys Gathira and Mike Muchene

OUR LADY'S CHURCH CLEANING FOR MAY

Team B (John, Madeline, Stef, Eric, Gloria, Claire)

REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS

Sunday 10th May - Chisom, Linda, Dianne and Akpevwen

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



SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES:

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