



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

SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF BESTWOOD, BULWELL AND HUCKNALL.

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – 10TH MAY 2026

MASS TIMES, SERVICES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Suggested Donation for Newsletter 20p

SATURDAY - THE VIGIL OF THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	9th	5.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Annie Argyle RIP
SUNDAY - THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER DIOCESAN SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY	10th	9.00am 11.00am	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	Virginia Evans RIP Charles Roberts RIP
MONDAY - EASTER FERIA	11th			
TUESDAY - EASTER FERIA	12th	9.30am 11.30am	OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S	Sydney Betteridge RIP Funeral Service of Elijah Abatey RIP
WEDNESDAY - EASTER FERIA	13th	12.00 noon	HOLY CROSS	Deacon Martyn Swaby RIP
THURSDAY - THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD (SOLEMNITY) HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION	14th	9.30am 12.00 noon 7.30pm	OUR LADY'S HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	Monsignor Forde RIP People of the Parish Deacon Martyn Swaby RIP
FRIDAY - EASTER FERIA	15th	9.30am 7.00pm	OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S	Requiem Mass of Terence Dolan RIP Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
SATURDAY - THE VIGIL OF THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	16th	11.00am 1.30pm 5.00pm	OUR LADY'S HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	Baptism of Adannaya Agudosi & Kendrick Butterworth Baptism of Maya Walton Intentions of the Dure, Carter & O'Grady Families
SUNDAY - THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY	17th	9.00am 11.00am	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	People of the Parish Catherine Heraghty 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 12th at 7pm	 THE LEGION OF MARY Our Lady's - Every Sunday after 11am Mass. Everyone welcome to join.
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WORD OF THE WEEK: EXAMPLE: An example is a model of behaviour. It is something that we can look to in order to learn how to live our lives. The lives of the saints, and other holy men and women, remind us that we are all called to follow the example of Jesus Christ. We too, should also be an example to others by trying to live a life of love, service, and forgiveness.

This week, think of something positive and loving you can do for those around you to set a good example to others.



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 fiancé 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.**



OUR LADY'S CHURCH CHOIR

We are delighted to announce the formation of a brand-new choir initiative within our church community which will be led by Emmanuel Anyanwu. If you have a passion for singing, play a musical instrument or simply wish to be involved, we warmly invite you to join us. We would like to especially encourage the young adults of the church community to come forward and be part of this exciting venture. Come along on Sunday, **31st May, at 10.30am** to express your interest and join the singing at the Mass. Following this Mass, there will be a brief meeting to discuss the organisation and logistics going forward. Your input and enthusiasm would be most welcome as we begin this exciting new chapter. The choir will join the Masses on the last Sunday of every month.

OUR LADY'S SCHOOL NURSERY PLACES

Our Lady's School will soon be offering nursery places for September 2026. We welcome applications for Nursery places for children who will be 3 years old by September 2026. We offer full-time and part-time places. Applications for younger children can also be made and will be held on file until the child turns three. Please contact Our Lady's School for further information and application forms. Please remember the month of may is the time when we recite the rosary in our churches and homes.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

There will be a second collection taken at all Masses next weekend for Catholic Communications day.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The repose of the soul Elijah Denzil Abatey who passed away recently and whose funeral service will be in Our Lady's this **Tuesday 12th May at 11.30am.**

The repose of the soul of Terence Dolan who died last month and whose Requiem Mass will be in Our Lady's this **Friday 15th May at 9.30am.** We pray especially for their family and friends at this difficult time.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR OPERATING SCREENS—OUR LADY'S
 If you would like to help please get in touch with the office.

RCIC CANDIDATES
 Please remember in your prayers Hillary, Diana, Emmanuel, Sofia, Vanille, Richard, Oscar, Alicia, Christabel, Alexandra and Laci. who are being welcomed into our Church this weekend. May the grace of our loving God, which will be poured out upon them, strengthen them in their Christian vocation and we pray that they embrace this journey and continue to develop their faith.

HOLY CROSS BBQ
 The annual BBQ at Holy Cross church will be on **Saturday 11th July.** Further details will be issued shortly.

ST BARNABAS GAELIC FOOTBALL CLUB - JUNIOR COACHING
 Every Friday evening 6.00-7.00pm through the summer until Sept. Location - Nottinghamians rugby club, Holme Pierpoint, NG2 5AS For more information email secretary.stbarnabas.warwickshire@gaa.ie or contact Liam on 07976 315334

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 2ND/3RD MAY HOLY CROSS £353.27 S/O £233.00 OUR LADY'S £393.93 S/O £498.00	BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS TO DONATE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS NOTTM RCP SORT CODE: 30-96-18 ACCOUNT NO: 01642187
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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 17th May - Lucas Ortega WELCOMERS Sunday 17th May - Abigail Alcantara CHURCH CLEANING Sunday 17th May - Henrieta Obiora & Sylvia Aboakporo	OUR LADY'S CHURCH READERS Saturday 16th May - Renata Towlson Sunday 17th May - Benedicta Daniel WELCOMERS Saturday 16th May - Kath Huckerby and Sam Cropley Sunday 17th May - Janet Thornton, Monica Kiernan and Stef Fedyszyn OUR LADY'S CHURCH CLEANING FOR MAY Team B (John, Madeline, Stef, Eric, Gloria, Claire) REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS Sunday 17th May - Kenyan Community	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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