



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

SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF BESTWOOD, BULWELL AND HUCKNALL.

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**PRIMARY SCHOOLS:**  
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 Head Teacher — Mrs Sarah Sweeney McGinty  
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 Holy Cross, Hucknall  
 Head Teacher—Mr Paul Tibble  
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 Trinity School, Aspley  
 Head Teacher — Mr. Matthew Shenton  
 0115 9296251  
 Christ The King, Arnold  
 Head Teacher —Miss Jo Love  
 0115 9556262

## PENTECOST SUNDAY – 24TH MAY 2026

### MASS TIMES, SERVICES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Suggested Donation  
for Newsletter 20p

SATURDAY - PENTECOST SUNDAY (SOLEMNITY)	23rd	1.00pm 5.00pm	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	Marriage of Tandy Kearney and Bill Harrison James Ritchie RIP
SUNDAY - PENTECOST SUNDAY (SOLEMNITY) DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH	24th	9.00am 11.00am	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	People of the Parish Roy Hinton RIP
MONDAY - BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH (MEMORIAL)	25th			
TUESDAY - SAINT PHILIP NERI, PRIEST (MEMORIAL)	26th	9.30am 7.00pm	OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S	Intentions of John Staniland Eph'pha'tha Healing Service
WEDNESDAY - SAINT AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, BISHOP (FEAST)	27th	10.30am 12.00 noon 6.30pm	HOLY CROSS HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	Baptism of Chizaram Ekweribe Intentions of Kath Spencer Reception of Martyn Swaby RIP
THURSDAY - OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST (FEAST)	28th	10.00am	OUR LADY'S	Requiem Mass of Martyn Swaby RIP
FRIDAY - FERIA	29th	7.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Divine Mercy chaplet.
SATURDAY - THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (SOLEMNITY)	30th	5.00pm 6.00pm	OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S	Pilar Valdes-Albano RIP Flores de Maria
SUNDAY - THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (SOLEMNITY)	31st	9.00am 11.00am	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	Alfred Schmettau RIP & Angela Gamalinda RIP Intentions of the Friends of Jesus of Nazareth Community Baptism during Mass of Chimere Tochukw -Chibueze

**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.**

**SCRIPTURE GROUP**  
Due to the funeral of our beloved Deacon Martyn, the Scripture Group will now meet on Wednesday 3rd June. Please keep Deacon Martyn's family in your prayers.

**BIBLE STUDY MEETING**  
**HOLY CROSS**  
Meeting May 26th  
at 7pm



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

**WORD OF THE WEEK: PENTECOST** is where we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit. At Pentecost the Holy Spirit came down upon the apostles in the form of tongues of fire, and they were filled with the Spirit and began to speak in other languages. This day is often referred to as the Church's birthday as it marks the moment when the disciples were inspired to go out into the world to share the good news, and to bring people to Christ.

*Find out how to say something nice in a new language this week and take opportunities to share good news with 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.

**Deacon Martyn's reception into church will be on Wednesday 27th May at 6.30pm and Requiem Mass will be on Thursday 28th May at 10.00am. May his kind and gentle soul Rest in Peace. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen**

### CONFIRMATION 2026

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.



**NB: 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.

### HOLY CROSS BBQ

The annual BBQ at Holy Cross church will be on **Saturday 11th July**. Further details will be issued shortly.  
**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**  
 Kath Spencer who is unwell. She has been a lifelong parishioner at Holy Cross. We pray that the Lord will give her comfort in body, peace in mind, and strength in spirit.

### 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. Please contact Our Lady's School for further information and forms.

### EPHPATHA HEALING SERVICE

On **Tuesday 26th May at 7pm to 8.30pm** we will celebrate the healing service with a Medjugorje theme Adoration and Prayer ministry. We have chosen this theme in special memory of Deacon Martyn. The Medjugoreje theme Adoration was very special to him. Martyn organised this service every week for sometime following the parish pilgrimage he led to Medjugorje. All are welcome.

**THE BEATIFICATION AND CANONISATION OF VENERABLE MARY POTTER**  
 Bishop Patrick will celebrate **Mass on Thursday 4th June at 1.00pm at St Barnabas Cathedral**, Nottingham for this special celebration. This is an opportunity to come together in prayer and thanksgiving, honouring the life and enduring legacy of Venerable Mary Potter. All are very welcome.

### INTERNATIONAL MASS

To celebrate the great feast of Pentecost and the cultural diversity of our community, we will be having an International Mass at Our Lady's church on **Pentecost Sunday, 24 May 2026 at 11am**. Everyone is encouraged to wear traditional clothing from their country of origin and bring some finger foods to share for our coffee and tea in the hall after Mass. If would like to share some food, please contact Nana (07903645749) Thanks.

### QUIZ AND BINGO NIGHT

Back by popular demand, the parish Quiz and Bingo night is taking place on **6th June 7.00pm till 10.00pm** in Our Lady's hall. Cash prizes, raffle, food, free refreshments, bring your own beer/wine. Tickets are free and available at the back of both churches. Everyone welcome.

### WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

16TH/17TH MAY **HOLY CROSS** £555.63 **S/O** £233.00 **OUR LADY'S** £767.58 **S/O** £498.00  
**CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS SECOND COLLECTION:** HC: £143.77 OL: £298.19

### 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 31st May - Marie Mendy  
**WELCOMERS**  
 Sunday 31st May—Charles Nyarkoh & Bodwell Mendy  
**CHURCH CLEANING**  
 Sunday 31st May - Charles & Patricia Nyarkoh

### OUR LADY'S CHURCH

**READERS** Saturday 30th May - Filipino Community  
 Sunday 31st May - Loraine Chirara  
**WELCOMERS** Saturday 30th May - Filipino Community  
 Sunday 31st May - Monica Maina & Alexander Mirie  
**OUR LADY'S CHURCH CLEANING FOR MAY**  
 Team B (John, Madeline, Stef, Eric, Gloria, Claire)  
**REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS**  
 Sunday 31st May - Chisom, Linda, Dianne & 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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