

**THE PARISHES OF  
HOLY CROSS AND OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR  
SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF  
BESTWOOD, BULWELL AND HUCKNALL.**

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**SCHOOLS SERVING OUR PARISH:**

**PRIMARY SCHOOLS:**  
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**FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – 31ST JANUARY**

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

SUNDAY <i>FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</i>	31st	PRIVATE	People of the Parish
MONDAY - ( <i>FERIA</i> )	1st	PRIVATE	John K's Intentions
TUESDAY - THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD- CANDLEMAS (FEAST)	2nd	PRIVATE	Anno C's Intentions
		FUNERAL	Gerald Kiwanuka RIP
WEDNESDAY - FERIA	3rd	PRIVATE	Pat Carey RIP / Joseph Blaj RIP
		FUNERAL	Richard McDonald RIP
THURSDAY—SAINT GILBERT OF SEMPRINGHAM, RELIGIOUS (MEMORIAL)	4th	PRIVATE	Shelley Doyle RIP
FRIDAY—SAINT AGATHA, VIRGIN AND MARTYR (MEMORIAL)	5th	PRIVATE	Rose McGrath RIP
SATURDAY—SAINT PAUL MIKI AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS OF JAPAN ( MEMORIAL)	6th	PRIVATE	Steve Beech RIP
SUNDAY - FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	7th	PRIVATE	People of the Parish

**Office Closed:** Breege and Viv have both been placed on Furlough leave. If you need to contact the office please email and your query will be dealt with as soon as possible. Please be patient with us but if you need to contact Fr John urgently please ring the office number.

**ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION:** My Jesus, I believe that You are 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 into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen. As we cannot attend daily Mass, we can use this prayer to express our faith in Christ and His Presence in the Eucharist, and ask Him to unite Himself with us.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** BY APPOINTMENT ONLY AT THE MOMENT

**GOING INTO HOSPITAL?** PLEASE INFORM FATHER JOHN OR THE CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY TEAM. CITY HOSPITAL: 0115 9691169 EXT 56187 QMC 0115 9249924 EXT 64964

**RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY, 31 JANUARY 2021**

*This year Racial Justice Sunday is more important than ever. The effects of the Coronavirus pandemic, the killing of George Floyd, and the powerful message on fraternity and equality by Pope Francis in Fratelli Tutti speak of the need to actively oppose racism and pursue racial justice with renewed vigour. We all have a part to play in irradiating our world and society of Racial Issues. The official statement on this year's theme: A Time to Act, and other resources and information can be found by following the link to the CBCEW website for Racial Justice Sunday 2021: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/events/racial-justicesunday-2021/> Here you will also find a series of videos specially commissioned by CBCEW, which share the thoughts of Black Catholics about the events of the past year, and how we can build a better society and the important role that our Church can play in this. Please see attached sheet or visit our parish News on our website for more information.*

**MASSES**

**ALL MASSES ARE TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED AT THE MOMENT. WE WILL BE REVIEWING THE SITUATION AT THE BEGINNING OF FEBRUARY WITH A VIEW TO OPENING THE CHURCH ON THE WEEKEND OF THE 13TH/14TH FEBRUARY.**

**BAPTISM, FIRST CONFESSION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES**

This is the time of year that we would be arranging dates for the above Sacramental Preparation Classes. Unfortunately at this time we are unable to confirm when any of these classes will commence this year. Once the current restrictions have been lifted, hopefully we will be able to give a clearer indication of when these classes can commence.

**WALK WITH ME BOOKLETS**

Within the next few weeks we should be receiving these little pocket sized, easy to use booklets, that can help keep us focussed in the daily living out of our faith as disciples of Jesus. This Lenten edition booklet explores the gift of prayer, alongside the great themes of Lent: conversion, transformative healing and the Paschal Mystery. It also draws inspiration from Pope Francis' latest encyclical, 'Fratelli Tutti', on fraternal love and social friendship, and his new book, 'Let Us Dream', which explores faith in light of the pandemic.

**HEAVENS ROAD FM CATHOLIC RADIO**

Launched in November 2013, Heavens Road FM is a not-for-profit Catholic radio run entirely by unpaid volunteers who live all over the UK and as far away as Canada and Nigeria. Based at St John's Seminary, Guildford, they make and broadcast a wide range of enjoyable programmes to appeal to Catholics and non-Catholics alike. Their Mission is to celebrate our Catholic Faith by broadcasting a wide mix of interesting and original programmes, which showcase the creative talent within our Catholic community. A parishioner at Holy Cross, Hucknall is responsible for the technical side of the broadcasts and it runs 24/7/365 on various streaming platforms and via the website at <http://heavensroadfm.com>

**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

Gerald Magella Kiwanuka RIP and Richard David McDonald RIP whose funerals will take place this week at Our Lady's. We offer our sympathy to their families and friends and remember them in our prayers at this difficult time. May they rest in peace.

**CALLING ALL CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES 2021/2022**

In preparation for celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation we would like to hear from anybody who is thinking of receiving this Sacrament. In the first instance can you please send an email to Father John expressing why you feel this is right for you and telling him a little bit about your faith journey so far. Please note that if you are under 18 your parent or Guardian must submit the email on your behalf. The Sacrament is open to anybody who is currently in Year 7 upwards. Please note that the programme this year is a Diocesan programme led by the Briars youth team alongside our own Catechists which will take place on ZOOM. An informal discussion will take place over ZOOM on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February at 7pm so we will need your emails by Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February so we can complete registration and forward you the details of the meeting.

**NOTTINGHAM 40 DAYS FOR LIFE 2021**

**40 Days for Life** is a peaceful and prayerful way to work for an end to abortion. During Lent from **17<sup>th</sup> February to 28<sup>th</sup> March**, people in our Diocese are invited to pray and fast for an end to abortion. You are invited to peacefully pray for an hour or more during a 40-day vigil running for 12 hours daily during Lent. Please **sign up now** to pray with us at [40daysforlife.com/nottingham](http://40daysforlife.com/nottingham), or you can contact us at [40daysforlifennotts@gmail.com](mailto:40daysforlifennotts@gmail.com). Bishop Patrick will celebrate Mass for us on **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February** at the Cathedral at 7.00pm - if you live near Nottingham (and are not in a high-risk category) please do come. You can also follow the Mass online through the cathedral website.

**DEPUTY HEADTEACHER VACANCY**

St Francis' Catholic Voluntary Academy, Melton Mowbray (part of the St Thomas Aquinas Catholic Multi-Academy Trust) has a vacancy for a **part time non-teaching Deputy Headteacher**. Please visit [www.aquinas-cmat.org/vacancies/](http://www.aquinas-cmat.org/vacancies/) for further information. Closing date:

**12 February 2021**