

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

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**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER—DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY— 10TH/11TH APRIL 2021**

SATURDAY —VIGIL OF SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER—DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY	10th	5.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Steve Beech RIP
SUNDAY—SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER— DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY	11th	9.30am 11.00am	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	People of the Parish Dermott D's Intentions
		2.30pm	OUR LADY'S	Divine Mercy Sunday
MONDAY—(EASTER FERIA)	12th		PRIVATE	Sheila Sweeney RIP
TUESDAY - (EASTER FERIA)	13th		PRIVATE	Brothers of St John of God Intentions
WEDNESDAY - (EASTER FERIA)	14th	12 Noon	HOLY CROSS	Poor Clare Sisters Intentions
THURSDAY—(EASTER FERIA)	15th	7.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Sisters of Nazareth Intentions
FRIDAY—(EASTER FERIA)	16th	12 Noon	HOLY CROSS	Intentions of our 3 Schools
SATURDAY—(EASTER FERIA)	17th		PRIVATE	Philip Plant RIP
SATURDAY—VIGIL OF THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	17th	5.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Roy Aruldass RIP
SUNDAY—THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	18th	9.30am 11.00am	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	John Jesson RIP Mickey Galistan RIP

**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

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

Dear Friends, I hope and pray your Easter was one of many blessings and filled with the Risen Peace of Jesus! The Diary of Saint Faustina calls us to a new form of devotion in various ways. The second way is through the celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday. Jesus told Saint Faustina that He desired an annual solemn Feast of Mercy. This Solemnity of Divine Mercy was established as a universal celebration on the eighth day of the Octave of Easter. On that day the floodgates of Mercy are opened and many souls are made holy. Plan on making this solemn feast a day of great celebration this coming year. Begin, today, looking forward to this culminating Feast of Mercy! Reflect upon the fact that the mere institution of such a solemn feast is a powerful sign of the desire in the Heart of God to pour down His Mercy upon us. Today our Church turns its attention to the Ocean of God's **MERCY!**

**Feast of Divine Mercy will be held at Our Lady's Church this Sunday (11th April) at 2.30pm until 3.30pm. Quote from Sister Faustina's Diary—I desire to grant unimaginable graces to those souls who trust in My Mercy. Mankind will not have peace until it turns with trust to My Mercy. My desire is that the Feast will be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter."**

*The Poor Clare's repository shop will be open on this day for any purchases you would like to make. Please wear a mask and adhere to social distancing guidelines. Only 2 allowed in shop at one time.*



Wherever you may be today at 3.00pm tune into the Divine Mercy Chaplet and pray this simple but most beautiful powerful prayer asking for God to bestow his abundant ocean of Mercy upon us. *Lord, may I always honour and celebrate the wonderful Feast of your Mercy. May my heart, and the hearts of all Your faithful children, be open to all that You wish to bestow upon us through this feast. Jesus, I trust in You.*

**CELEBRATION OF HOLY MASS AT  
HOLY CROSS / OUR LADY'S**

**Our Churches are now open for the celebration of Mass.** A seat can be booked using the Diocesan booking system available at: [www.massbooking.uk](http://www.massbooking.uk) The Masses are bookable on a 7-day cycle. If you are not online please ring this number: **07395614050** between the hours of **10:00am and 2:00pm on a Monday.**

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

We will start celebrating weekday Masses this coming week. Please see Mass times and days on the other page. No need to book for these Masses but please observe social distancing regulations and please wear a Mask.

**THANK YOU FROM FR JOHN**

A special 'thank you' to everyone who helped to make Lent and Easter happen in all of our churches during this difficult time. Although very different this year, the services were well attended and the churches looked beautiful, thank you. I would like to thank each of you for your very kind gifts and wishes for Easter. It is very much appreciated and thoughtful of you all in these challenging times. Please be assured of my prayers. Best wishes always. Fr John

**THANK YOU FROM POOR CLARE SISTERS**

Mother Damian and the community would like to thank you all for your Easter wishes and gifts and they continue to remember you and your families in their prayers.

**HELPING PEOPLE ENCOUNTER JESUS**

The Alpha Course is a highly successful way for people and parishes to help others encounter Jesus. Cardinal Raniero Cantalamessa (Preacher to Popes St John Paul II, Benedict XVI & Francis) has said about it: 'One of the advantages of Alpha is that it focuses on Kerygma [the Good News the Jesus desires on friendship]... faith in itself blossoms only by hearing the Kerygma.' The Diocese of Nottingham has partnered with the Alpha in a Catholic Context team to deliver training on how to run Alpha to empower you to help others encounter (or reencounter) Jesus. Visit: <https://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/information/diocesan-commissions/01-commission-adult-formation> to register for the training dates on 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> April.'

**PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES OUR LADY'S**

The new set of envelopes begin 11th April 2021. If you would like a box please complete and return a form, available from the back of church or email [dianewilliams44@aol.com](mailto:dianewilliams44@aol.com) with your details and a box will be either delivered to you or left at the back of church for collection. Many people have transferred their contribution to standing order as this is a more convenient and safer way to donate. Please contact us if you would like a standing order form or if possible, set up a standing order on-line. Thank you for your continued financial support, especially in such uncertain times.

**MESSAGE FROM BISHOP PATRICK**

This past year of the Coronavirus pandemic has been a tough and challenging time for Catholics across our diocese. In our parishes, chaplaincies, schools, religious houses, as well as in our own homes, we have all had to learn to adapt to this new and uncharted situation. It is now necessary that we reflect together as a diocese on our varying experiences, positive and negative, of the living out our faith during this period. This will enable us to explore what can be learned for the immediate future. So, I invite you to complete this simple survey. <https://forms.rcaos.org.uk/covid-19-survey-form/> Your responses will help us to get a more informed overview of the strengths, lessons learnt, and weaknesses of our current situation as a diocese. The deadline for submissions is July 4th July 2021.

**BEING A MISSIONARY DISCIPLE**

After the great success of Bishop Patrick's Lent Talks on Discipleship, the Formation for Mission Team are offering two talks on Zoom in May on 'being a Missionary Disciple'. The first talk 'The Ascension & the Great Commission' will be given by Canon Christopher Thomas (General Secretary of the Bishops' Conference of England & Wales) on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm. This talk will explore the importance of the Ascension and how we can live Jesus final instructions to us. The second talk 'Pentecost & Mission' will be given by Pippa Baker (A Catholic Missionary, Speaker & Musician) on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm. This talk will examine the significance of Pentecost for us and how the Holy Spirit equips us for mission in our every day lives. To register visit: [www.dioceseofnottingham.uk](http://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk)