

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

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**PRIMARY SCHOOLS:**  
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## EASTER DAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD - 16TH/17TH APRIL 2022

SATURDAY - THE EASTER VIGIL	16th	7.30pm	OUR LADY'S	Intentions of RCIA candidates
SUNDAY — EASTER DAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD	17th	9.30am	HOLY CROSS	Intentions of Eleanora Toffolo
		11.00am	OUR LADY'S	Shay Durkin RIP
MONDAY WITHIN OCTAVE OF EASTER	18th			
TUESDAY WITHIN OCTAVE OF EASTER	19th	10.00am	OUR LADY'S	Zygmunt & Irene Sosnowski RIP
WEDNESDAY WITHIN OCTAVE OF EASTER	20th	10.00am	HOLY CROSS	Monsignor Forde Intentions
THURSDAY WITHIN OCTAVE OF EASTER	21st	10.00am	OUR LADY'S	Catherine Heraghty RIP
FRIDAY WITHIN OCTAVE OF EASTER	22nd	10.00am	HOLY CROSS	
SATURDAY - VIGIL OF SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY	23rd	5.00pm	OUR LADY'S	John McClury RIP
SUNDAY—SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER—DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY	24th	9.30am	HOLY CROSS	Brenda Bagnall RIP
		11.00am	OUR LADY'S	Intentions of Brew family

**HOLY CROSS CHURCH—READER**

April 24th - Jenny Thompson

**HOLY CROSS—WELCOMERS**

April 24th — Dominic Dixon & Lauren Whitehouse

**HOLY CROSS CHURCH CLEANING**

April 24th — Collen & Rose Cash

**OUR LADY'S CHURCH—READERS**

Saturday 23rd April — Simon Fossett

Sunday 24th April— Sister Francis

**OUR LADY'S CHURCH—WELCOMERS**

Saturday 23rd April — Teresa Doherty & Pauline Lynch

Sunday 24th April — Monica & Jane Maina

**OUR LADY'S CHURCH CLEANING FOR APRIL**

Team A ( Antony, Gloria, Joanna & Chan )

### Christ is risen! Let us rejoice and be glad!

Through his cross, he has taken on our sufferings, our sorrows and our sins; he has joined us in death so that we may have new life in him. As St John Paul II said: 'Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song'. May the Easter Morning fill your hearts with God's blessings as well as with His joy and love shining from His Resurrection.



*See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God!*  
1 John 3:1

#### MESSAGE FROM FR RICHARD

I would like to wish you all a very Blessed Easter and offer my sincere thanks for the welcome I received from the Parishes when I arrived in February. Easter lies at the very heart of our faith, the belief that Our Lord Jesus Christ rose from the dead, and through this we have the gift of new life here on this earth and in eternity in heaven with him. It's normally a day for much celebration but we must not forget that it is not a day of celebration for everyone. Let us remember in prayer all our household, anyone who is experiencing ill health of mind or body. Let us also pray for an end to war all over the world and that peace may reign again. May we be filled this Easter with the gift of faith in the Risen Christ so we may build a kinder, loving and caring future for our world in crisis, being called again today to new life. As Christians, we have the mission of sharing our faith and beliefs with others. Our words, actions and deeds should help inspire others to encounter Jesus and to be His disciple. Think about how you can complete this mission and how can we share the joy of the resurrection with others so they will be inspired to learn more about Jesus too? **Every Blessing Fr Richard**

#### RCIA AND RCIC CANDIDATES

Please remember in your prayers Natasha, Lucy, Sampson, Grace, Ezekiel, Ithiel, Riley, Evelyn, Taiwo & Kehinde who are all being welcomed into our Church this Easter. May the grace of the Holy Spirit which will be poured out upon them at Easter strengthen them in their Christian vocation.

#### EASTER FLOWERS

Thank you for your generosity towards the flower collection at both churches this weekend.

#### EASTER OFFERING

The Easter Offering traditionally goes to the priest of the parish but as Fr Richard receives a salary from the diocese, the collection will go into the parish funds like the usual Sunday collection. Should you wish to give Fr Richard a gift, this must be either in an envelope marked with his name or given personally to him.

#### CONFIRMATION 2022 OUR LADY'S & HOLY CROSS

Bishop Patrick will be visiting Holy Cross on Tuesday 12th July 2022 to confirm our young people and any adult who wishes to be confirmed. The Sacrament of Confirmation is open to anyone who is currently in Year 9 and upwards. If you think you would like to receive the Sacrament, please contact the office for an application form and further information. Please note: if you are under 18, your parent or guardian must request on your behalf.

#### VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED AT HOLY CROSS

We are looking for volunteers to join our welcomers and to clean our church. This ministry will be shared on a rota basis. You will be given details of how to get into church at a time to suit yourselves and shown what is required. Please email [vivien.flynn83@sky.com](mailto:vivien.flynn83@sky.com) or [olimpiablaj@gmail.com](mailto:olimpiablaj@gmail.com) if you would like to be included in this important role.

*Wishing you all a very blessed Easter.*

#### A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

We pray that the Lord God sends His Holy Spirit to all the people of Ukraine and gives them the grace of endurance in faith, hope and love amid the current ordeals; may peace be granted throughout Ukraine and may the Ukrainian nation be delivered from all enemies, so that we may glorify the good and merciful God in justice and truth. Lord hear us and have mercy. Amen.

#### FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY

Will be held at Our Lady's church on Sunday 24th April, 2.30 - 3.30pm. Guest speaker - Rev David Palmer. Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. "My daughter, speak to the world of my inexhaustible mercy. I desire that this feast be a refuge and a shelter for all souls, especially for poor sinners. The very depths of My mercy will be opened on that day." Sr Faustina's diary.



#### BAPTISM CLASS

Our next class for parents of children 6 years and under will take place on **Saturday 7th May 2022 @ 10.30am until 12.30pm** in Our Lady's Parish Hall. This class is for parishioners from both Holy Cross and Our Lady's. If you would like your child/children to be baptised, please email the office for a form. Completed forms need to be submitted to the office by **3rd May 2022**.

#### POVERTY CHALLENGE: SEE, JUDGE, ACT

Following the pandemic, many households now also face new hardships as prices rise. Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN), the Catholic agency addressing poverty and injustice in England and Wales, has released a free, new booklet to increase awareness of Catholic Social Teaching on poverty, and to inform local responses. Please take a moment to read and encourage groups and individuals to engage with it. Download from [www.csan.org.uk](http://www.csan.org.uk)

#### MISSIO 'RED BOX' HOLY CROSS

Please would any parishioner of Holy Cross who has a Red box bring it to church for counting. Thank you