

# 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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 0115 9150500  
 St Margaret Clitherow, Bestwood  
 Head Teacher — Miss Christine Reilly  
 0115 9150296

Holy Cross, Hucknall  
 Head Teacher—Mrs. Tammie McNamara  
 0115 9534577

**SECONDARY SCHOOLS:**  
 Trinity School, Aspley  
 Head Teacher — Mr. Matthew Shenton  
 0115 9296251  
 Christ The King, Arnold  
 Head Teacher —Miss Jo Love  
 0115 9556262

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT - 25TH FEBRUARY/ 26TH FEBRUARY 2023 MASS TIMES, SERVICES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

SATURDAY - VIGIL OF FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT	25th	5.00pm 6.00pm	OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S	Carmen Morales-Hall RIP Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help
SUNDAY - FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT	26th	9.00am 11.00am 4.00pm	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S HOLY CROSS	Judy Guest RIP (1st anniversary) Mrs Mercy Stanslaus RIP Prayers for Vocations
MONDAY - LENTEN FERIA	27th			
TUESDAY - LENTEN FERIA	28th	9.30am	OUR LADY'S	Evelyn Stevenson RIP
WEDNESDAY - SAINT DAVID, BISHOP, PATRON OF WALES (FEAST)	1st	11.00am 12.00 noon	HOLY CROSS HOLY CROSS	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Bashir Attah RIP
THURSDAY - LENTEN FERIA	2nd	9.30am 10.00am	OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S	Birthday Intention Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
FRIDAY - LENTEN FERIA CAFOD Lenten Fast day	3rd	9.30am 7.00pm	HOLY CROSS SCHOOL OUR LADY'S	Stations of the Cross led by Pauline Lynch
SATURDAY - VIGIL OF SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT	4th	5.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Intentions of the Queally family
SUNDAY - SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT	5th	9.00am 11.00am 4.00pm 6.00pm	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S HOLY CROSS HOLY CROSS	Michael Sweeney RIP Susan Kelliher RIP Prayers for Vocations Stations of the Cross led by Bill Flynn

<p><b>HOLY CROSS CHURCH—READER</b> March 5th - Lauren Whitehouse</p> <p><b>HOLY CROSS CHURCH—WELCOMERS</b> March 5th - Andy &amp; Sally Butkevicius</p> <p><b>HOLY CROSS CHURCH CLEANING</b> March 5th - Henrietta Obiora and Sylvia Abaokporo</p>	<p><b>OUR LADY'S CHURCH—READERS</b> Saturday 4th March - Kevin Stevenson Sunday 5th March - Chiara Albano</p> <p><b>OUR LADY'S CHURCH—WELCOMERS</b> Saturday 4th March - Kath Huckerby &amp; Sam Cropley Sunday 5th March - Carmen &amp; Steve Fitzgerald</p> <p><b>OUR LADY'S CHURCH CLEANING FOR MARCH</b> Team C (Monica, Jane, Muchene family, Chinwendu &amp; Eugenia)</p> <p><b>REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS</b> Sunday 5th March — Emmanuel &amp; Nana</p>
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**RECONCILIATION:** Our Lady's Saturday 4.30pm—4.45pm Holy Cross - Wednesday (after Mass)



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS  
DURING LENT**  
 Holy Cross — Sunday at 6pm  
 Our Lady's—Friday at 7pm



**ADORATION & EXPOSITION**  
 Holy Cross—Wednesdays before Mass at 11.00am  
 Our Lady's—Thursdays after 9.30am Mass



**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023**

The first lesson for all those who are registered for First Holy Communion will take place this **Thursday 2nd March at 6.00pm in Our Lady's Church and in Holy Cross Church**. Please arrive 5/10 mins early to complete registration in order for the class to begin at 6.00pm. Please can all candidates ensure that they bring their I-Belong books to class. Please remember all our candidates in your prayers as they embark on their journey towards receiving the Eucharistic for the first time.



**PLEASE PRAY FOR IRENE MCQUILLAN RIP**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Irene McQuillan RIP** who passed away recently. We remember her family and friends at this difficult time. Her Requiem Mass will take place on **Tuesday 7th March at 12.15pm at Our Lady's** followed by burial at Bulwell Cemetery. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace Amen. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

**RITE OF ELECTION**

The Rite of Election for Sarah and Janet, who are on the RCIA programme, is this **Sunday 26th February** at the Cathedral. Please remember them in your prayers as they take the next step to becoming full members of our Catholic family at Easter.

**OUR LADY'S PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

will take place on **Thursday 2nd March at 7.00pm** in the Parish Hall. If you would like any items raising, please let the office know.

**LENT 2023: 40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

From Wednesday 22nd February (Ash Wednesday), you're invited to join other Christians in 40 days of prayer, fasting and community outreach to save the lives of unborn children. Please pray with us until Palm Sunday. For further details please visit: [www.40daysforlife.com/Nottingham](http://www.40daysforlife.com/Nottingham). Contact John on 07757 815625 or [40daysforlifefenotts@gmail.com](mailto:40daysforlifefenotts@gmail.com)

**CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY – LENT APPEAL**

Thank you to everyone who gave so generously to the Turkey-Syria earthquake appeal. We will be sending a total of **£1512.84** to CAFOD. Their **Family Fast Day is 3rd March** and envelopes are available at the back of church for anyone who wishes to donate. or at [cafod.org.uk/give](http://cafod.org.uk/give) Please continue to pray for CAFOD's development and emergency response work all over the world.

**PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS**

Please join us in **Holy Cross Church every Sunday at 4pm** when we will pray especially for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. All are very welcome.

**BIBLE STUDY HOLY CROSS**

Bible study at Holy Cross continues on **Tuesday 28th February**.

**UPCOMING PARISH SOCIAL EVENT MARCH 5TH AT 3.00PM.**

Deacon Martyn and friends of The Drop In Cafe invite you to a special showing of the film The Shack followed by Afternoon Tea (sandwiches, cakes, refreshments etc) in the Hall on **Sunday 5th March at 3.00pm. FREE admission** but you will need a ticket to gain entry. For tickets, please see Deacon Martyn or contact Chris Burrows on 07702 528394. If you missed it at the cinema, now's the chance to see this gem of a movie.

**WARM SPACE AT OUR LADY'S MINDFUL MERCIFUL CAFÉ**

Every **Thursday** the café is open **10am-12.30pm** in the Parish Hall. All are very welcome.

**RETREATS IN THE DIOCESE OF NOTTINGHAM THIS LENT**

After the great success last year, the Diocese of Nottingham is again offering day retreats to help you grow closer to God this Lent. There is a **FREE Young Adults (18-35) retreat** in Derby on Saturday 11th, a **Men's Retreat** on Saturday 18th March and a **Women's Retreat** on Saturday 25th March. The Men's and Women's Retreats will be held at the Rosmini House of Prayer (LE7 4SJ) and cost £20 which will include lunch and a light breakfast. To book your place or for more information, visit: [www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events](http://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events), email [adult.formation@dioceseofnottingham](mailto:adult.formation@dioceseofnottingham) or call 0115 953 9841.

**CALLING CATHOLIC TEACHERS**

If you are a Catholic teacher currently working outside of Catholic education and would like to find out more about the joys of working in a Catholic school within the Diocese of Nottingham, a virtual information session will take place on **Wednesday 29 March from 7.00pm – 8.30pm**. Please see the poster on the parish notice board.

For further information, please contact: Julie Sweeney at the Diocesan Education Service ([julie.sweeney@nottingham-des.org.uk](mailto:julie.sweeney@nottingham-des.org.uk)).

**THE EUCHARIST**

This season of Lent provides us with an opportunity to deepen our understanding of the Mass, which lies at the heart of our Catholic faith. The diocese has produced a booklet to help us reflect on the centrality of the Eucharist in our lives, and to prepare us to receive the Precious Blood from the Chalice once again in our Diocese, beginning with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday this year. Pope Francis describes our parishes as places of welcome, *'schools of service and generosity, with their doors always open: to those who are excluded, and those included – to all.'* Let us pray that our celebration of the Eucharist will lead them to be such places.

**WEEKEND COLLECTION 18TH/ 19TH FEBRUARY HOLY CROSS £327.36 S/O - £136 OUR LADY'S £483.43 S/O £540**

**CAFOD EARTHQUAKE APPEAL HOLY CROSS £377.20 OUR LADY'S £1135.64**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.**

**SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES**

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