

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

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

EASTER MESSAGE FROM FR RICHARD

Christ is Risen! Alleluia, Alleluia!

During Lent, we prepared ourselves through works of penance, prayer and Christian charity, in order to approach Easter with hearts and minds raised up to God with Christ Jesus as our focus and goal. Now we are bathed in the healing light of the resurrection, the light of God's unfathomable love which fills the whole of creation and transcends time and space, a light which never fades, a light which penetrates to the very depths of our being with healing in its rays. Sometimes we can feel overwhelmed by the darkness we encounter in our lives, and for each of us, that darkness takes different forms. Yet Christ, who is the Light of the World, the light that darkness could not overcome, is powerfully present in our lives, and in his resurrection from the dead we rejoice that he has saved us. He is our constant companion on our journey of life, the one who will never leave us, the one who loves us more than we will ever know. So as we enter into this blessed Easter season, let us keep our eyes fixed on him who is the Resurrection and the life, so that the peace and joy he brings may find a home in our hearts, not just for Easter, but for the rest of our lives.

I wish you, your family and all those you love all the blessings Easter brings, both now and in the future.

May God bless you all. Fr. Richard

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - 15TH / 16TH APRIL 2023 MASS TIMES, SERVICES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

SATURDAY - VIGIL OF SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER	15th	5.00pm	OUR LADY'S	James Queally RIP
SUNDAY - SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER <i>DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY</i>	16th	9.00am 11.00am 2.30pm 4.00pm	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S HOLY CROSS	People of the Parish M.M.C.H Intentions Divine Mercy Service Prayers for Vocations
MONDAY - EASTER FERIA	17th			
TUESDAY - EASTER FERIA	18th	9.30am	OUR LADY'S	Mr & Mrs Wladyslawond Henryka Sosnowski RIP
WEDNESDAY - EASTER FERIA	19th	12.00noon	HOLY CROSS	
THURSDAY - EASTER FERIA	20th	9.30am	OUR LADY'S	Derm & Sharon Duggan Intentions
FRIDAY - EASTER FERIA	21st	9.30am	HOLY CROSS IN SCHOOL	
SATURDAY - VIGIL OF THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	22nd	5.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Audrey Murrin RIP
SUNDAY - THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	23rd	9.00am 11.00am 4.00pm	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S HOLY CROSS	People of the Parish Marie Monique Grivon RIP Prayers for Vocations



FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY

Will be held at Our Lady's church on Sunday 16th April, 2.30-3.30pm.

Guest speaker - Rev Robbie O'Callaghan .

Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available for ONE hour after the service.

"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.



PLEASE PRAY FOR JANE NGINA GICHANGA RIP

It is with great sadness that we announce the sudden passing of Jane Ngina Gichanga RIP on Wednesday 5th April 2023. We especially remember her family, friends and all members of the Charles Lwanga Jumuia Prayer Group at this difficult time. Jane was a very active member of our Parish Community and will be known to many. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen

FR RICHARD WILL BE TAKING A BREAK FROM MONDAY 24TH APRIL UNTIL MAY 5TH INC.

BAPTISM CLASS: Our next class for parents of children 6 years and under will take place on **Saturday 6th May 2023 @ 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 **Sunday 30th April**.

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.

BIBLE STUDY HOLY CROSS: There will be no meetings until further notice.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023: Next lesson is **Thursday 20th April at 6.00pm** in Our Lady's Church and in Holy Cross Church. Please remember all our candidates in prayer.

NEOPHYTES' MASS 2023: Bishop Patrick is inviting all those who have been baptised or received (known as Neophytes) into the Catholic Church this Easter, or in the last year or so, to a special celebration of Mass with him on **Sunday 21st May**. This will be celebrated at 3pm at Saint Mary's Church, Countesthorpe Road, South Wigston, LE18 4PG. The Mass will be followed by some light refreshments., and it is a great way to celebrate together.

HOLY CROSS MINDFUL MERCIFUL CAFÉ: We will be open again on **Wednesday 26th April at 9.30am (Holy Cross meeting room)**. This **FREE CAFÉ** will be open to anyone in the community who would like to come along and enjoy a cup of tea/coffee, have a chat, or simply spend time in a warm space.

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.

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.

**GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD FOR HE IS GOOD,
FOR HIS LOVE HAS NO END.**

HOLY CROSS CHURCH—READER
April 23rd - Lucas Ortega
HOLY CROSS CHURCH—WELCOMERS
April 23rd - Dominic Dixon & Laura Whitehouse
HOLY CROSS CHURCH CLEANING
April 23rd - Henrieta Obiora & Sylvia Abaokporo

OUR LADY'S CHURCH—READERS
Saturday 22nd April - Kathy Taylor
Sunday 23rd April - Lia Manu
OUR LADY'S CHURCH—WELCOMERS
Saturday 22nd April - Sue Sullivan & Maram & David Gillott
Sunday 23rd April - Eileen Dowling & Family
OUR LADY'S CHURCH CLEANING FOR APRIL
Team D (Anthony, Gloria, Joanna & Chan)
REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS
Sunday 23rd April— Jason Young & Patricia Wesson

RECONCILIATION: Our Lady's Saturday 4.30pm—4.45pm Holy Cross - Wednesday (after Mass)

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