

THE PARISHES OF HOLY CROSS AND OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF BESTWOOD, BULWELL AND HUCKNALL.

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EASTER DAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD - 8th /9th APRIL 2023 MASS TIMES, SERVICES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

SATURDAY - THE EASTER VIGIL	8th	7.30pm	HOLY CROSS	Intentions of RCIA candidates
SUNDAY - EASTER DAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD	9th	9.00am 11.00am	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	People of the Parish Catherine & John Heraghty RIP
MONDAY - MONDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER	10th			
TUESDAY - TUESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER	11th	9.30am	OUR LADY'S	Sheila Sweeney RIP
WEDNESDAY - WEDNESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER	12th	12.00noon	HOLY CROSS	Teresa & Dante Squitieri RIP
THURSDAY - THURSDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER	13th	9.30am	OUR LADY'S	Steve Beech RIP
FRIDAY - FRIDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER	14th	9.30am	HOLY CROSS CHURCH	
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

<p>HOLY CROSS CHURCH—READER April 16th - Paul Glover</p> <p>HOLY CROSS CHURCH—WELCOMERS April 16th - Andy & Sally Butkevicius</p> <p>HOLY CROSS CHURCH CLEANING April 16th - Charles & Patricia Nyarkoh</p>	<p>OUR LADY'S CHURCH—READERS Saturday 15th April - Kevin Stevenson Sunday 16th April - Ancy Manu</p> <p>OUR LADY'S CHURCH—WELCOMERS Saturday 15th April - Teresa Doherty Sunday 16th April—Carmen & Steve Fitzgerald</p> <p>OUR LADY'S CHURCH CLEANING FOR APRIL Team D (Anthony, Gloria, Joanna & Chan)</p> <p>REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS Sunday 16th April— Emmanuel & Nana</p>
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RECONCILIATION: Our Lady's Saturday 4.30pm—4.45pm Holy Cross - Wednesday (after Mass)



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



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 only 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

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.

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.

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. Please continue to work through the I-Belong workbooks.

RCIA CANDIDATES: Please remember in your prayers Sarah and Janet who are both 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.

COME TO LOURDES! Bishop Patrick invites everyone in our diocese to join him in coming to this beautiful Marian Shrine between **Saturday 15th and Thursday 20th July**. Travel will be by air from East Midlands Airport, and the five-night all-inclusive prices (full board) start at £709. See the poster at the back of church for more details. Booking forms are available from the parish office or visit <https://www.tangney-tours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/diocese-of-nottingham>

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.

EASTER FLOWERS Thank you for your generosity towards the flower collection at both churches.

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.

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

THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FROM GOOD FRIDAY AND WILL REOPEN ON TUESDAY 18TH APRIL 9.00AM.

WEEKEND COLLECTION 1ST/2ND APRIL HOLY CROSS £760.55 S/O - £136 OUR LADY'S £667.22 ES/O £540

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