

THE PARISHES OF HOLY CROSS AND OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF BESTWOOD, BULWELL AND HUCKNALL.

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT 2ND/3RD MARCH 2024 MASS TIMES, SERVICES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Suggested Donation for Newsletter 20p

SATURDAY - VIGIL OF THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT	2nd	5.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Michael Sweeney RIP
SUNDAY - THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT	3rd	9.00am 11.00am 3.00pm 6.00pm	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S HOLY CROSS	Canon O'Reilly RIP & Bashir Attah RIP Aileen Bastow RIP Spanned Mass (Loreto club) Stations of the Cross
MONDAY—LENTEN FERIA	4th			
TUESDAY - LENTEN FERIA	5th	9.30am	OUR LADY'S	Intentions of Canon Anthony Dolan
WEDNESDAY — LENTEN FERIA	6th	11.00am 12 noon	HOLY CROSS HOLY CROSS	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Ngozi Emeter Birthday Thanksgiving
THURSDAY - LENTEN FERIA	7th	9.30am 10.00am	OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S	Anne Fleming RIP Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
FRIDAY - LENTEN FERIA	8th	9.30am 6.00pm	HOLY CROSS SCHOOL OUR LADY'S	School Community Stations of the Cross
SATURDAY - VIGIL OF FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT	9th	5.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Bridget Doyle RIP & Eileen O'Reilly RIP
SUNDAY - FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT LAETARE SUNDAY	10th	9.00am 11.00am 2.00pm 6.00pm	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S HOLY CROSS HOLY CROSS	Beatrice Amuah RIP Joseph Omae Moseti RIP & Rustico Samaniego RIP Zimbabwean Community Mass Stations of the Cross

MINDFUL MERCIFUL CAFÉS

HOLY CROSS will be open again on **Wednesday 27th March at 9.30am** in the meeting room.
OUR LADY'S every **Thursday 10am—12.30pm** in the Parish Hall. **EVERYONE WELCOME.**

<p>HOLY CROSS CHURCH—READER March 10th - Chris Wisniewski</p> <p>HOLY CROSS CHURCH—WELCOMERS March 10th - Olimpia & Ciprian Blaj</p> <p>HOLY CROSS CHURCH CLEANING March 10th - Henrieta Obiora & Sylvia Abaokporo</p>	<p>OUR LADY'S CHURCH—READERS Saturday March 9th - Elaine Foley</p> <p>Sunday March 10th - St Margaret Clitherow school</p> <p>OUR LADY'S CHURCH—WELCOMERS Saturday March 9th - Sue Sullivan & Annette Scholes</p> <p>Sunday March 10th - Jane, Monica, Gladys & Alexander</p> <p>OUR LADY'S CHURCH CLEANING FOR MARCH Team C (Monica, Jane, Gladys, Alexander & Muchene Family)</p> <p>REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS Sunday March 10th - Kenyan community</p>	<p>A hearing loop system is available in both churches. Please set your hearing aid to 'T' (Telecoil) setting in order for it to work.</p> 
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RECONCILIATION: Our Lady's Saturday 4.15pm—4.45pm: Holy Cross - Wednesday (after Mass)

SERVICES / LITURGIES / MASS TIMES IN OUR PARISH DURING LENT

Reconciliation Service: Our Lady's
Tuesday 26th March at 7.00pm
Confessions: Holy Cross
Saturday 23rd March at 11.00am

Stations of the Cross
Holy Cross: Sunday at 6.00pm
Our Lady's: Friday at 6.00pm

Palm Sunday 23rd/24th March
Saturday Our Lady's: Mass at 5.00pm
Sunday Holy Cross: Mass at 9.00am
Sunday Our Lady's: Mass at 11.00am

Wednesday 27th March
Women at the Cross
Our Lady's at 7.00pm

Maundy Thursday 28th March
The Mass of the Lord's Supper
Holy Cross: Mass at 7.30pm

Good Friday 29th March
Holy Cross: Passion at 3.00pm
Our Lady's: Passion at 3.00pm
Walk of Witness Bulwell & Hucknall
Bulwell 10.15am from Our Lady's
Hucknall 10am at St Mary Magdalene

Easter Vigil Holy Saturday 30th March
Our Lady's: Mass at 7.30pm
Easter Day Sunday 31st March
Holy Cross: Mass at 9.00am
Our Lady's: Mass at 11.00am

SCRIPTURE GROUP—OUR LADY'S

Bible study this week at Holy Cross on Tuesday 5th March at 7.00pm in the meeting room.

PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS AT HOLY CROSS

at Michael Hallam's house **every Sunday at 4.00pm.**
If you require a lift please ring Michael on 0115 9630925.

CONFIRMATION

The Bishop will be visiting our parishes on **November 8th** to confer the Sacrament of Confirmation in Our Lady's church at 7pm. We are inviting all young people from Year 9 upwards, who would be interested in making their Confirmation this year, to write a letter to Father Richard to explain why they would like to receive this Sacrament. If any adults are wishing to be Confirmed please contact the parish office for further details. If anyone would be interested in helping Steve and Michelle Brogan to run this programme, to support our young people on their journey towards Confirmation, then please send your details to the parish office. Candidate letters to the parish office by **Sunday 7th April.**

A message from Canon Anthony Dolan

*It is now two weeks since I moved from hospital to my new home in Derby. I have been made welcome here in Kinsale Court not least by some of the retired priests already living here. Rather than issuing an unending series of weekly bulletins for Bulwell and Hucknall, I want to use this opportunity to thank you from the depth of my heart for all the various forms of support I have received from you since I retired to 90 Brooklyn Road in 2015 and, in particular, since my quick exit on 15th January. For the many cards, emails and other messages I have received, and for the numerous prayers that have been offered for my welfare I am more deeply grateful than I can put into words. The generous and totally unexpected gift from parishioners of a reclining armchair is and will remain very special to me and will remind me of you since I have placed it in that part of my sitting room where I do most of my praying. My good wishes and prayers for all of you, for your families and for the parish in which I was born and grew up. May God bless you! **Father Anthony***

THANK YOU

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped to move the church pews from the loft downstairs. Your help is very much appreciated.

A DAY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

The Sisters of St Joseph of Peace invite you to a Day for Young People: 15-18yrs (9am -12 noon), 19 -25yrs (2-5pm) and 25+ (6-8pm) on **Saturday 27th April** at Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Parish Hall, Nottingham, NG6 9ES, with time for prayer, reflection, discussion, fun and getting to know other young people in a relaxed and friendly environment. The Retreat will be led by the Verbum Dei Missionary Community. For more information, contact maureenbrennancsjp@gmail.com

ABORTION DECRIMINALISATION PROPOSAL

An amendment has been put forward to the Criminal Justice Bill by pro-abortion MPs which, if successful, would decriminalise abortion. This means that it would be possible for women to induce their own abortion, using pills sent through the post, at any time and for any reason. If passed into law, this radical amendment would increase the number of babies who are aborted. It would also increase the risks to women's health, since these late term abortions would not be carried out under medical supervision but in women's homes. This proposal will be debated in the House of Commons in early March. Please write now to your MP, asking them to oppose this extreme proposal.

You can do this using SPUC's webtool, at www.spuc.org.uk/abortionamendments. Please also pray for the defeat of this amendment, for protection of unborn babies, and help and comfort for mothers in need.

LORETO CLUB (PART OF SPANNED)

are hosting a Mass on **Sunday 3rd March at 3pm** and would like to invite parishioners to come and join them.

JOIN THE DIOCESAN CHOIR

for the Chrism Mass (Wednesday 27th March), with a rehearsal on **Saturday 9th March, 10.30am-1.00pm**, in Saint Barnabas Cathedral, NG1 5AE. The Diocesan Choir is a friendly and supportive bunch of musicians and singers from across the diocese that gather to sing for special diocesan occasions and liturgies. All are welcome and no prior musical training is required. To sign up please email: cathedral@dioceseofnottingham.uk

A REFLECTION FROM POPE FRANCIS FOR THE YEAR OF PRAYER, THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

"With hands outstretched to God, Moses makes of himself a kind of bridge between earth and heaven, pleading for the people when they are most in need. In this way he prefigures Jesus, our great Intercessor and High Priest. We Christians are also called to share in this type of prayer, interceding for those who need God's help, and for the redemption of the whole world."

To read the full reflection and find more resources, visit: dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer

OUR LADY'S REPOSITORY

This is located in the porch at the back of church. It has been stocked with some new items - rosary beads, crucifixes and a selection of cards for all occasions. Payment for gifts can be made using the Dona system or by posting cash in the white letterbox on the wall nearby. If you have any questions, please speak to John, the sacristan.

Hospital: If you know of anyone in hospital who would like a visit from a chaplain please contact Fr Slavic - RC Chaplain: 07773366120. or City Hospital: 0115 9691169 ext. 76187 or QMC Campus: 0115 9249924 ext. 83799

**WEEKEND COLLECTION 24TH/25TH FEBRUARY: HOLY CROSS £318.10 S/O - £153 OUR LADY'S £630.73 S/O £540
SECOND COLLECTION: CAFOD HOLY CROSS £223.10 OUR LADY'S £568.02 Thank you for your generosity.**

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