

# 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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 Trinity School, Aspley  
 Head Teacher — Mr. Matthew Shenton  
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 Head Teacher — Miss Jo Love  
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**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - 27TH/28TH APRIL 2024**  
**MASS TIMES, SERVICES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK**

Suggested Donation for  
 Newsletter 20p

SATURDAY - VIGIL OF FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	27th	11.00am 1.00pm 1.00pm 5.00pm 6.00pm	OUR LADY'S HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S	Baptism of Ronan Farrell Baptism of Sarah Hanify Baptism of Finley O'Brien & Hallie Johnson Alan Worsley RIP Novena
SUNDAY - FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	28th	9.00am 11.00am	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	Intentions of Eileen O'Connell Joel Taminang Eneigho RIP
MONDAY - SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA, VIRGIN AND DOCTOR, PATRON OF EUROPE (FEAST)	29th			
TUESDAY - EASTER FERIA	30th	9.30am 11.00am	OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S	Alex Ross RIP Funeral Service for Joseph Aidan Harkin
WEDNESDAY - EASTER FERIA	1st	11.00am 12.00noon	HOLY CROSS HOLY CROSS	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 40 Days for Life
THURSDAY - SAINT ATHANASIUS, BISHOP AND DOCTOR (MEMORIAL)	2nd	9.30am 10.00am	OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S	Thomas Traynor RIP Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
FRIDAY - SAINTS PHILIP AND JAMES, APOSTLES (FEAST)	3rd	9.30am 7.00pm	HOLY CROSS SCHOOL OUR LADY'S	School Community Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Divine Mercy Chaplet
SATURDAY - VIGIL OF SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	4th	5.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Geraldine, Teresa, Tanya and Lindsey Molloy Intentions
SUNDAY - SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER <b>DIOCESAN SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY</b>	5th	9.00am 11.00am	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	Intentions of Eileen O'Connell Tony Molloy RIP & Imelda McQuaid RIP & Thanksgiving (Judith Ngwinjong)

**MINDFUL MERCIFUL CAFÉS**

**HOLY CROSS** will be open again on **Wednesday 29th May at 9.30am** in the meeting room.  
**OUR LADY'S** every **Thursday 10am—12.30pm** in the Parish Hall. **EVERYONE WELCOME.**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>HOLY CROSS CHURCH—READER</b> May 5th - Marie Mendy</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>HOLY CROSS CHURCH—WELCOMERS</b> May 5th - Dominic Dixon &amp; Lauren Whitehouse</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>HOLY CROSS CHURCH CLEANING</b> May 5th - Colleen &amp; Rose Cash</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OUR LADY'S CHURCH—READERS</b> Saturday May 4th - Ifeoma Ude Sunday May 5th - Young People of our Parish</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>OUR LADY'S CHURCH—WELCOMERS</b> Saturday May 4th - Noeleen Knight &amp; Bev Remm Sunday May 5th - Young People of our Parish</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>OUR LADY'S CHURCH CLEANING FOR MAY</b> Team A (Teresa, Maram, Juliana, Chiamaka)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS</b> Sunday May 5th - Kenyan Community</p>	<p><b>A hearing loop system is available in both churches. Please set your hearing aid to 'T' (Telecoil) setting in order for it to work.</b></p> 
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**RECONCILIATION: Our Lady's Saturday 4.15pm—4.45pm: Holy Cross - Wednesday (after Mass)**

**PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM**

Gather together with Bishop Patrick on **Saturday 15th June** at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham as we seek Our Lady of Walsingham's intercession for an increase in Vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and Religious Life in our Diocese.  
**We will be joining the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham and have arranged a coach which will leave Our Lady of Perpetual Succour church at 7.45am and costs £26; we have 17 seats available.**  
**Please contact the office if you would like to reserve and pay for your seat.**



**For more information, see the poster at the back of church.**

**Timetable for the day:**

- 11.00 am - Arrivals**
- 12.00 noon - Mass with Diocesan Youth Choirs**
- 1.00 pm - Lunch**
- 1.30 pm - Adoration, Confession, activities for children and young people and Vocation stall**
- 3.00 pm - Procession along the Holy Mile**
- 4.00pm - Benediction in the Abbey Grounds**
- 4.30pm - Departures**

**BAPTISM CLASS**

Our next class for parents of children 6 years and under will take place on **Saturday 4th May 2024 @ 10.30am** 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 **Wednesday 1st May 2024.**



**FEAST OF PENTECOST 19<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2024 INTERNATIONAL MASS**

This Mass will be a celebration of the many different cultures which bring us together in unity. We would like volunteers to read a bidding prayer or the Our Father in different languages during the Mass. The church will be decorated for this celebration, highlighting the wonderful diversity of our parish. If you have anything from the different countries we represent, which could be used for display, please let the office have your contact details or contact Jane Rooksby on 07752977463. If you have traditional, national dress, please wear it for this celebration. Any other suggestions as to how to highlight our different cultures will be very welcome. Thank you.

**CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION OUR LADY'S**

To celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi, we will have a procession with the Blessed Sacrament around the streets near Our Lady's church on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ on **Sunday, 2nd June 2024.** The procession will start from the Church after the 11am Mass and will conclude with Benediction. We will need volunteers to help with guiding the procession on the streets. If you can help please speak with Fr Richard or contact the office.

**NURSERY PLACES AT OUR LADY'S SCHOOL**

If any parents in our parish are looking for a nursery place, we have a wonderful nursery at Our Lady's School. Please visit school for an application form. Places for September 2024 will be allocated in May.

**HOLY CROSS AND OUR LADY'S REPOSITORY STALLS**

This is located in the porch at the back of both churches. Both stalls are well stocked with new items - rosary beads, crucifixes, First Holy Communion gifts and a selection of cards for all occasions.

**OUR LADY'S MISSIO BOXES**

have been emptied, counted and are at the back of church for collection. Thank you to all who have donated; your support is very much appreciated. If you would like a box please let the office know.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR**



Please pray for the repose of the soul of Joseph Aidan Harkin RIP who died recently. His funeral service will be held on **Tuesday 30th April** at 11.00am at Our Lady's. We remember his family and friends at this difficult time. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

**MESSAGE FROM CANON ANTHONY'S SISTER**

I would like to thank the parishioners for their kindness, friendship and compassion shown to my brother over the last eight years he spent in Bulwell. You helped him in so many ways and especially in the last few months when he became more reliant on help, which you gave him. He always enjoyed his chats and tea and biscuits whenever he got the opportunity. Thanks also for the many Masses that have and are still being offered for the repose of his soul. Also for the messages and cards of condolence that I have received. I am so grateful to everyone. Please remember the family in your prayers. Thank you. Moira

**MARRIAGE CONGRATULATIONS**

Please remember in prayer Liva Narvida & Florin Chivo who were married at Our Lady's last Saturday. May their lives together be blessed with happiness.



**ST VINCENT DE PAUL (SVP) AND CAFOD - A YEAR OF ENCOUNTER**

With a UK general election due sometime this year, politicians will be looking for our votes. We have a responsibility as Catholics to make sure that parties commit to tackling issues such as poverty and injustice. Raising our voices and contacting parliamentary candidates as a parish community will send a strong signal to those standing for election in our local constituencies. A *Year of Encounter* is a joint initiative between CAFOD and St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP), equipping Catholics to ask key questions of local candidates at the key moments. Please see [cafod.org.uk/encounter](http://cafod.org.uk/encounter) for more information, including online session on Saturday 4th May.

**A REFLECTION FROM POPE FRANCIS FOR THE YEAR OF PRAYER, FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Jesus taught us to pray to our heavenly Father, acknowledging our total dependence on him and trusting entirely in his providential care. Prayer of petition arises naturally in our hearts. In the Bible we see countless prayers to God to intervene in situations of sickness, injustice, betrayal and despair. Even the simple cry, "Lord, help me!" is itself a powerful prayer. God always hears the cry of those who call upon him. For more information please visit: [dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer](http://dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer)

**DIOCESAN YEAR BOOK NOW AVAILABLE TO BUY AT THE BACK OF CHURCH, PRICE £6.00**

**BIBLE STUDY MEETINGS - HOLY CROSS**

will resume this Tuesday 30th April at the usual time of 7.00pm.

**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.

**WEEKEND COLLECTION 20TH/21ST APRIL: HOLY CROSS £411.35 S/O £153 OUR LADY'S £577.76 S/O £540**  
**2ND COLLECTION: CLERGY FORMATION FUND: HOLY CROSS: £132.60 OUR LADY'S: £251.04**

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