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SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE - 22ND/23RD NOVEMBER 2025 MASS TIMES, SERVICES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Suggested Donation for Newsletter 20p

0115 9556262

SATURDAY - VIGIL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE (SOLEMNITY)	22nd	5.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Intentions of Sr Juliana on the occasion of her Jubilee
SUNDAY - OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE (SOLEMNITY) WORLD YOUTH DAY	23rd	9.00am 11.00am 12.30pm	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S	Sarah Cunningham RIP Catherine & John Heraghty RIP Baptism of Oghenegaren Erekaife & Mary Jane Okpara
MONDAY - SAINT ANDREW DUNG-LAC, PRIEST, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS (MEMORIAL)	24th			
TUESDAY - FERIA	25th	12.30pm	OUR LADY'S	Requiem Mass for Chung Ting James Law RIP
WEDNESDAY - FERIA	26th	12noon	HOLY CROSS	
THURSDAY - FERIA	27th	9.30am 10.00am	OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
FRIDAY - FERIA	28th	7.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Divine Mercy Chaplet
SATURDAY - VIGIL OF FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	29th	5.00pm 6.00pm	OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S	Rita Robertson RIP Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help
SUNDAY - FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	30th	9.00am 11.00am	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	Sarah Cunningham RIP Catherine & John Heraghty RIP
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RECONCILIATION - Our Lady's - Saturdays 4.15 - 4.45pm Holy Cross - after Mass on Wednesdays

PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS IN OUR PARISH

HOLY CROSS

FRIENDS OF JESUS OF NAZARETH COMMUNITY

at Michael Hallam's house **Sunday at 4.00pm**. at Our Lady's church - **Sunday at 4.00pm**.

If you require a lift please ring 0115 9630925.

If you are unable to attend, you can join in by saying the Rosary and the following prayer to the Holy Spirit in your homes:

O Holy Spirit, pull down the barriers and take away those inhibitions that prevent or hold back those whom God the Father has chosen, and whom His Son Jesus has called to follow Him to serve in His Vineyard. Empower them with courage and steadfastness in Faith to respond to His call, to the glory and praise of the Most Holy Trinity.

Amen.

SCRIPTURE GROUP

The next meeting on Revelation Chapters 10 & 11 will be held on Wednesday, 26th November at 7pm in Our Lady's Parish Hall.

BIBLE STUDY MEETINGS HOLY CROSS

NO meeting this week because of Scripture group meeting



THE LEGION OF MARY
Our Lady's - Every Sunday
after 11am Mass.

WORD OF THE WEEK: KINGDOM: The Kingdom of God is not just a distant promise, but something we can experience here and now. It's a place where love, justice, and peace reign. We build this kingdom through our actions, our relationships, and our commitment to living out Christ's teachings. The Kingdom is a place of belonging, where everyone is valued and loved. When we work together, we can create a glimpse of heaven on earth, a place where God's love shines through in all we do.

Think of one thing you can do to make your community more like the Kingdom of Heaven.

MONASTERY UPDATE

As you may have heard, the former Poor Clare Monastery is to be demolished. The Diocese has appointed J H Hicks Demolition Ltd to carry out the demolition, with works scheduled to begin around 1st December 2025 and expected to last approximately four months (including a short Christmas break). Throughout the works, every effort will be made to minimise disruption to parish life — noisy activities will be avoided during church services, funerals, and other parish events. The parish hall will remain open, and safety measures such as secure fencing, clear signage, and dust suppression will be in place. We are in discussion with the Diocese to see if we can retain the chapel which adjoins the priest's sacristy of Our Lady's church for weekday Masses and other services.

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS



We welcome into the Christian Community, through the Sacrament of Baptism, Olive Ani & Chimkasi Ojinnaka who were baptised last Sunday and Oghenegaren Erekaife & Mary Jane Okpara who will be baptised this Sunday. We congratulate their parents, godparents and families.

CONGRATULATIONS

to Marie and Bodwell who were recently commissioned as Extra-ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. We thank them for giving their service to the sick and housebound of our parish. May the Holy Spirit guide them in this sacred ministry, and may their service draw them closer to Christ.

OUR LADY'S CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

will take place again this year with lots of prizes including cash prizes of £200, £100 and £50 Amazon voucher. Tickets will be on sale after all weekend Masses and the draw will take place after the Carol Service on **Sunday 14th December**. This is one of our big fundraisers of the year, so your support is gratefully appreciated. Thank you to the person who left a large bag of great prizes for the raffle at the back of church. Any other donations of prizes, we would happily accept. Thank you.

HUCKNALL MUTUAL SUPPORT GROUP FOR CANCER PATIENTS, THEIR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS.

We've had a very positive response to the idea of running this new mutual support group at Holy Cross from January. So far, all volunteers that have come forward are available on Fridays. To help us finalize the actual hours please let the office know if you are interested in volunteering at this new venture. Sessions will be once per month in the daytime and, if we have enough volunteers on the rota, you wouldn't have to come every month. All that's needed is to help set up and clear away the meeting room, serve refreshments and provide a welcoming neutral space for people to have an opportunity to talk to and support others in a similar situation. We'll also need help distributing the promotional flyer to businesses and groups around Hucknall. Please let the office know if you can help with that.

HOLIDAY TRIP TO INDIA

Windows to India Tours and Travel Ltd are organising a 14-day trip to India, (14th – 27th September 2026) visiting Delhi, Agra, Jaipur, Cochin, Thekkady, Alleppey and Kumarakon. All flights and transfers, accommodation in 4* and 5* hotels with breakfast and dinner and all tours are included in a price of £2550 (sharing). For more information contact Fr Joby at jedavazhi@gmail.com The closing date for bookings for this experience is January 2026.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The repose of the soul of Chung Ting James Law RIP who passed away recently and whose Requiem Mass will take place at Our Lady's on Tuesday 25th November at 12.30pm.

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.

REMEMBERING LOVED ONES AT MASSES DURING NOVEMBER

During the month of November we will be remembering in our Masses all who have died. Please place the names of your loved ones, who you would like to be remembered, in a November Dead List envelope (available from the back of church) together with your offering. Names will then be placed on the altar and will be remembered during Mass.

OUR LADY'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

takes place on **December 6th 7.00pm till 10.00pm** in the parish hall. Let's celebrate the season together with good food, laughter and festive cheer. Bingo, quiz, raffle, music. Fun for all the family. Another great parish event. Free admission, tickets available at the back of church.

RED MISSIO BOXES OUR LADY'S

Please bring your red boxes for emptying to the sacristy for Emmanuel to collect. When counted, they will be returned to the back of church for you to pick up. Thank you for your support for this charity.

250 CLUB WINNERS FOR OCTOBER

1st; 22 Maram Gillott, **2nd; 18** Maria Cummins, **3rd; 125**; Jean Durkin. Please collect your prizes from the sacristy. If you would like to join this much-needed fundraising initiative please contact the office for a form.

ST COLETTE'S PREGNANCY SUPPORT CENTRE

has been supporting pregnant women in Nottingham since 2021. If you would like to help with our work, or just to find out more about what we do, all are welcome to a Mother and Baby Open Day on Thursday 27th November, between 10.00am and 2.00pm, at Saint Paul's Church,

Lenton Boulevard, Nottingham NG7 2BY. For more information, contact Ami on 07547 795315 or email SCPSCUK@gmail.com

THE NOTTINGHAM CATHOLIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION MASS

is being celebrated on Monday 1st December at 8.00pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel of Saint Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham NG1 5AW.

All are warmly invited to Mass, and to join for drinks at Browns, afterwards. If you have any questions about the Nottingham CMA, for

all healthcare workers, students and retired, please get in touch with Caroline: 0775 7285 888.

MINDFUL MERCIFUL CAFÉS

HOLY CROSS will be open again on Wednesday 26th November at 9.30am in the meeting room.

OUR LADY'S meets every Thursday 10am—12.30pm in the Parish Hall. EVERYONE WELCOME.

HOLY CROSS HEATING FUNDRAISING.

OCTOBER COLLECTION £303.84. Total raised to date: £9,922.18.

NEXT SECOND COLLECTION FOR HEATING FUND - SUNDAY 30TH NOVEMBER

COLLECTIONS 15TH/16TH NOVEMBER

HOLY CROSS £362.40 S/O £233 OUR LADY'S £398.31 S/O £498

HOLY CROSS CHURCH

READER

Sunday 30th November - Marie Mendy WELCOMERS

Sunday 30th November - Olimpia & Ciprian Blaj
CHURCH CLEANING

Sunday 30th November –Emmanual & Ester Obasi

OUR LADY'S CHURCH

READERS Saturday 29th November - Filipino Community
Sunday 30th November - Monica Maina & Alexander Mirie
WELCOMERS Saturday 29th November - Filipino Community

Sunday 30th November - St Margaret's school
OUR LADY'S CHURCH CLEANING FOR NOVEMBER

Team B (John, Madeleine, Stef, Eric, Gloria and Claire)

REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS

Sunday 30th November - Kenyan Community

in order for it to work

A hearing loop system is

available in both

churches.
Please set your hearing

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