

Safeguarding Sources of Support

Safe Places – a free and independent support service that provides a confidential, personal and safe space for anyone who has been abused through their relationship with the Catholic Church. Phone 0300 303 1056 Email: safespaces@victimsupport.org.uk

The Bower House – Harborough Christian Counselling Service offers counselling to those who live in the Harborough District 01858 469257

NAPAC offers support and advice to adult survivors of childhood abuse 0808 8010331

Spiritual Abuse - www.spiritualabuse.com

Action on Elder Abuse Helpline – 0808 808 8141

THE LADIES MIDSUMMER LUNCH in support of Saint Joseph school MHET will be on Thursday the 12th of June 2025 at Marston Trussell hall at 12:30 tickets are £40. For tickets ease contact Kate Crawford 01858 446873 / 07814629927.

The Nottingham Diocesan Catholic Youth Service (NDCYS) is running an open retreat, **SEARCH FOR THE LIGHT**, during Easter weekend, Maundy Thursday 17th – Easter Sunday 20th April, at The Briars Catholic Youth Retreat Centre. Join the mission team as they walk with young people in Years 10 - Year 13 through the Easter Triduum. To book visit: ndcys.com/events-and-opportunities/search/

GIVING IN HARBOROUGH: Many thanks to all who continue giving to the Parish. For anyone who is new there are Gift Aid Form in the cloister near the wall. Name of account: **Our Lady of Victories, Market Harborough RCP** Sort Code: **30 - 95- 47** Account: **00068953**. Just put a note to say it is church donation. If You are a Tax payer you can pick up a gift Aid Form(if you have not completed one) at the Church or email Fr Chris parish-priest@olvic.com and I can send you one by email. We can claim an extra 25% on top of anything you give if you are tax payer.

We are Accepting Contactless Donations. You will find our DIGITAL COLLECTION PLATE, contactless terminal in the Cloister . You can also give via the web link: <https://donate.mydona.com/our-lady-of-victories-church> or QR Code.



<u>MARCH</u>	<u>EUCCHARISTIC</u>	<u>MINISTERS</u>		
	6 p.m.	10 a.m.		
5/6 April	S Jones	F Wilson	V Winter	A Randle
12/13 April	J Lowe	P Green	W Kwacz	K Crawford
19/10 April	B Mugoni	C McInnes	J O'Leary	S McGlone
26/27 April	B O'Malley	T Page	T Ruane	A Randle

<u>READERS</u>			
	Sat. 6.00pm	Sunday	10.00am
5/6 April	M Atkins	S McGlone	C McHugh
12/13 April	J Rowland	C Reed	C Goddard



Our Lady of Victories

Market Harborough

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Schools:
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Deanery Comprehensive: St. Paul's 0116 241 4057
Parish Gift Aid Organiser: giftaid@olvic.com
Parish Pastoral Council Members: see photos on notice board

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TIMES OF SERVICES

Sunday: 5th Of Lent

6.00pm Mass: People of the Parish

10.00am Mass: Katyoun Moaven RIP & family

Coffee after Mass

4.30pm: Rosary outside Church

6.00pm: Worship & Prayer Night Harborough Community Church

Monday: Lenten Feria

9.00am Mass: November Dead List

Tuesday: Lenten Feria

9.00am Mass: Marie O'Brien (Philips)

Wednesday: Lenten Feria

9.45am: Morning Prayer

10.00am Mass: Agnes Rees RIP (Blamires)

2.00pm: School Passion dress Rehearsal

Thursday: Lenten Feria

9.40am: Rosary

10.00am Mass: Agnes Jones RIP (Masding)

2.00 & 6.00pm: School Year 3 & 4 Passion play

Coffee after Mass

Friday: Lenten Feria

12.30pm: Lenten reflection and Lunch Baptist Church

7.00pm: Stations of the Cross

7.30pm Mass: Seamus McNamee RIP (Taylor)

Saturday: Lenten Feria

6.00pm Mass: Clive Blencowe RIP

Sunday: 6th Sunday of Lent

10.00am Mass: Tony McLoughlin (Brooks)

*If there is one of you
who has not sinned,
let him be the first to
throw a stone at her.*



CONFESSIONS

Sat. 11.00am &
5.15pm

The important vote for all MPs on the **assisted suicide legislation**, known as the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill, is likely to take place on Friday 25th April. The charity Right to Life UK has a simple online mechanism to allow people to contact their Member of Parliament and it only takes a few moments to submit a message to ask an MP to stop assisted suicide being rushed into law. It can be accessed at <https://righttolife.org.uk/asvote> Right to Life is also distributing postcards to parishes for the lay faithful to send to their MPs on this subject. A range of further resources on opposing assisted suicide is available at www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide. Our MP Neil O'Brien voted against previously we could encourage him to continue and thank him..

LENT STATIONS OF THE CROSS: 7.00pm on Fridays. Normally followed by Mass
Holy Hour with Benediction: Thursdays 7.00pm – 8.00pm with a meditation on next Sunday's readings. This is an opportunity for the most powerful prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, Our Bishop and the Holy Father have called us to adoration. Many graces are received before the Blessed Sacrament.

THE POPE GOES TO CONFESSION. HAVE YOU THIS LENT? On the **Thursday 10th April 7.30pm** instead of the Holy Hour, there will be visiting priests available for Confession as well as Exposition of the Blessed sacrament and Benediction. There are confessions every Saturday at 11.00am & 5.15pm



FRIDAY LENT LUNCHESES begins March 14th Time: 12.30 - 1300. Reflections on the theme - Journey's of Faith. Venue: Baptist Church, Coventry Rd. Light lunch after the service of Soup, bread, Tea, coffee & Cake. Suggested donation of £5.00.



TIMES FOR HOLY WEEK:

We have planned the times for Holy Week

Thursday 10th April . Penitential service with visiting confessors 7.30pm

Palm Sunday Sat 6.00pm & 10.00am(with Blessing of Palms and Procession)

Wednesday: Chrism Mass 11.30am cathedral

Maundy Thursday 7.00pm

Good Friday:

Ecumenical Witness: Easter Live on the Square 11.00am

Liturgy of the Passion 3.00pm

Stations of the Cross 7.00pm

Easter vigil: 8.00pm – First Mass of Easter: Mother of all Masses

Easter Sunday: 10.00am

PS: we need a volunteer to take care of the Fire for Easter vigil and turning on the lights during the Mass.

EASTER OFFERING: Traditionally the Easter Offering goes to the Priest of the Parish and forms a major part of his income for the year. Envelopes for the Offering can be found at the back of the Church.

WORSHIP AND PRAYER NIGHT On Good Friday this year (**Friday 18th April 11.00am**), we will be sharing the full Easter story of Jesus with our community on Good Friday in the Town Square), in ways that are accessible, relevant and fruitful, utilising the creative gifts, skills and talents of the church body in Harborough. To support this event there will be a series of worship and prayer nights, where brothers and sisters in Christ from across the churches in the town gather together to seek the Lord together, to intercede and pray over the town together, and to ask God to move in power at the event itself:

WORSHIP AND PRAYER NIGHT #3 Sunday 6th April, 6pm Market Harborough Community Church 121 Bath St

ENABLING OUR MISSION CAMPAIGN: The first edition of the **Enabling Our Mission** Impact Report is now available in church. <https://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/mission-enabling-fund>

RED BOXES It is time once again for the red Missio boxes to be returned for emptying. Could you please leave your boxes in the Sacristy area or hand to Father Chris or to Bob and Chris Shepherd,

They will be returned as soon as possible for you to collect from the table in the cloister. Sincere appreciation to everyone for having a red box - we appreciate that loose change is in short supply these days but over £600 was raised last year. Thank you so much for continuing to support Missio.

ADC Many thanks to everyone for helping to support our overseas efforts in providing help for some of the poorest people in the world through donations and providing clothes and goods to be sold on EBay.

The white envelopes for monthly offerings are now available on the table in the cloister. Could we please ask you to remember ADC when you are clearing out your wardrobes and cupboards, or if you are disposing of unwanted goods - items can be left under the table in the cloister or could be collected by arrangement. We are so grateful for your help with the envelopes or by contributing clothes etc which are now our major sources of income for our needy causes. Thank you.

Join men from across the diocese on **Saturday 12th April** for our annual **MEN'S RETREAT**, once again at Mount Saint Bernard Abbey. The theme of the retreat is 'The Journey Through Holy Week' and it will be given by Father John Farrell OP, former provincial of the Dominican Order. The retreat will include Holy Mass in the Abbey, Talks, confession, guided adoration and more. The cost of the day is £15, please bring a packed lunch. For more details and to book please see the poster in church or visit www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: You can protect mothers and children by joining this world wide mobilisation to pray and fast for an end to abortion. During Lent March 5th -April 13 a lawful, peaceful prayer vigil will be taking place on Paigle Rd and the junction of Aylestone Rd, Leicester LE2 8PW from 8am - 8pm Monday to Saturday. Local contact: leicester40daysforlife@gmail.com

To learn more get involved and sign up for prayer times visit the website below. www.40daysforlife.com/en/leicester