YOUTH 2000 provides retreats, formation and opportunities for young adults aged 18-35 to encounter Jesus in the Heart of the Catholic Church. The Youth 2000 Summer Festival will take place this year in the beautiful grounds of Ampleforth Abbey from Friday 23<sup>ee</sup> until (bank holiday) Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August. More information on this gathering and all of Youth 2000 events are available at www.youth2000.org/events Do consider whether you think you might benefit from participating.

**CONFIRMATION 2024:** We are due to prepare our children for Confirmation. We aim to do this every three years . I am hoping that Bishop Patrick will come in the Autumn in October. I would like to a get a group together who might be



Interested in helping with catechesis. If you would like to help please contact or email Fr Chris, We are also looking for an organiser for this. Parishpriest@olvic.com As for all these roles we need to do a DBS

HOLY HOUR AND BENEDICTION: We continue our holy Hour on Thursdays: With Exposition from 7.00pm: There will be some meditations and finishing with Benediction about 7.50pm. The Eucharist and the Real presence of our Lord in is so important for us. The opportunity to come and pray with Our Lord when the Blessed Sacrament exposed is a source of special graces. For families with Children Why not one of the parents come and pray for the whole family for a time during the hour?.

A REFLECTION FROM POPE FRANCIS FOR THE YEAR OF PRAYER, on the tenth Sunday of the Year: Prayer sows life, small prayers: this is why it is so important to teach children to pray. Children have to be taught to make the Sign of the Cross properly, because it is the first prayer. Perhaps they may forget, take another path, but the first prayers learned as a child remain in the heart, because they are a seed of life, the seed of dialogue with God. To read the full reflection and find more resources www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer A prayer sheet is available.

JUNE	EUCHARISTIC	MINISTERS	ROTA	
	6 p.m.	10 a.m.		
8/9 June	A Hall		K Crawford	P Green
15/16 June	M O'Malley	S McGlone	C McInnes	J O'Leary
22/23 June	S Jones	T Ruane	J Shellard	T Page
29/30 June	J Lowe		V Winter	F Wilson

FINANCE	2/06/24	READERS			
Envelopes	£317.03		Sat. 6.00pm	Sunday	10.00am
Loose	£202.03	8/9 June	M Atkins	D Chappell	B Tyrell
Total	£519.06	15/16 June	M Mihovilovic	M Blake	M Douglas



Our Lady of Victories

9thIune 2024 10th Week of Ordinary Time. Psalter Week 2

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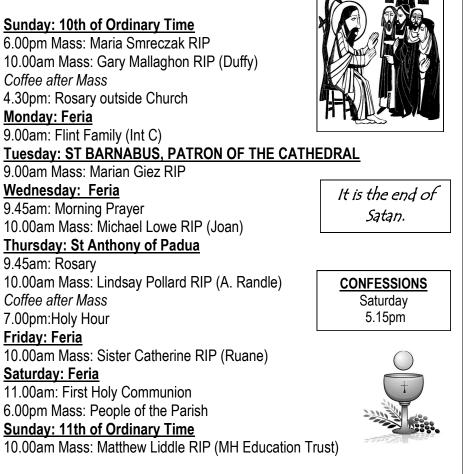
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## TIMES OF SERVICES



**FR CHRIS WRITES:** PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FIRST COMMUNION CHILDREN & THEIR FAMILIES: They will receive our Lord for the first time on Saturday 15th of June at 11.00am.

Our condolences go to the family of **Ricky Varela** from Hallaton. His funeral will take place at great Glen crematorium on 3 July 10.30am. Also **Greta Stray** formerly of this Parish. Her funeral will be at St Edward's Kettering on Friday 14th June at 1pm, followed by a private burial.

**NEXT WEEK WE HAVE DAY FOR LIFE WITH A SECOND COLLECTION:** The Church teaches that life is to be nurtured from conception to natural death. In England and Wales, Day for Life is celebrated on the third Sunday of June each year.. The theme is The Lord is my Shepherd – Compassion and Hope at the End of Life. A debate on end-of-life issues has been in the headlines in recent months with calls for assisted suicide being expressed, especially by celebrities, a view that opposes the Catholic view that life is a gift and that we are called to care for others at the end of their lives.

Pope Francis prays that through their reflection on the theme "The Lord is my shepherd – compassion and hope at the end of life", this public testimony will encourage a deeper understanding of the precious gift of life and a greater desire to protect the most vulnerable from a culture that would pressure them into 'assisted suicide', which is falsely presented as a form of compassion. It is likewise his hope that those nearing the end of their earthly journey will recognise the immense value of their lives, experience the comforting presence of Jesus and their loved ones, receive dignified care and trust deeply in God's promise of eternal life.

Also The Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has published some frequently asked questions, and some further information, about <u>Assisted Suicide</u>, Further details can be found at <u>www.cbcew.org.uk/faqs-assisted-suicide/</u>. This is being pushed continuously and we must keep ourselves informed.

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY continues this week

Registration forms are available from Fr Chris



WALSINGHAM 15<sup>th</sup> June 2024: See poster. 11.00 Arrivals;12.00 Mass with Youth Choirs of the diocese\*1.00 Lunch;1.30 Adoration and Confessions available;;Vocations Stall: Activities for Children and Young People; 3.00 Procession along the Holy Mile, Praying for an increase in Vocations\* 4.00 Benediction in the Abbey Grounds\*4.30 Departures Join in person or \*online via www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/Walsingham

YOUNG ADULTS IN THE DIOCESE OF NOTTINGHAM: For all the latest Young Adult events (aimed at 18-35 year olds) visit <u>www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events</u> or contact <u>charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk</u>

YOUNG ADULTS IN WALSINGHAM: The diocesan young adult group is travelling to Walsingham overnight on 15<sup>th</sup> / 16<sup>th</sup> June, joining the Diocese of Nottingham on the annual pilgrimage. For costs and more information visit <u>www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/</u> walsingham-2024-young-adults-pilgrimage **<u>RED BOXES and ADC:</u>** Many thanks to everyone for your continued support for the Missio Red Boxes and for our ADC group. It is now time once again **for the Red Boxes** to be emptied so we would be most grateful if you could leave your box on the table in the Cloister and then collect it the following week ( or two!).

Our **ADC** group is rapidly decreasing in numbers and capability so our fundraising efforts are now minimal. We do however still try to raise money for our various groups around the world by selling your unwanted clothes etc. so if you are discarding your winter wardrobe or offloading last year's summer clothes to make more space, please remember our box under the table in the Cloister and help to fill it at your convenience so that we can help those in need. Your giving in this way has been absolutely invaluable over the past few years and has enabled us to keep sending donations to our very needy causes. Again we offer our most sincere thanks to all who are supporting the poor and underprivileged in our world through the above agencies.

If you would like to help by taking a Red Box (or the White Envelopes for ADC) or need any further information about Missio or ADC, please see Father Chris or Bob and Chris Shepherd. Thank you so very much.

**VICTORY PRIZE DRAW: WINNERS JUNE DRAW 2024**: 1ª Prize £60 P Hamer ticket number 77; 2ª Prize £25 P Clifton ticket number 114; 3ª Prize £15 J Davis ticket number 59

<u>CALLING FOUNDATION GOVERNORS</u>: A virtual information session about being a foundation governor in one of our Catholic schools is taking place on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June from 7.00pm – 8.00pm. See the poster on the parish notice board, or contact: Julie Sweeney at julie.sweeney@nottingham-des.org.uk

<u>'GOING DEEPER</u> Do you want to go deeper into your Catholic spiritual life and prayer life? A monthly 'Going Deeper' gathering will continue on **Tuesday 18 June at 6.30pm** and continue thereafter on the third Tuesday of the month. It will be in the Kavanagh Room. The main components of the meeting will be: the evening prayer of the Church; discussion of a classic text on prayer by one of the great spiritual teachers, a period of silent prayer. The plan is to finish around 8pm. For more information, email Cyprian Blamires on <u>cpblamires@aol.com</u> or phone him on 01858 468224 or 07714 651756.'

<u>GENERAL ELECTION 2024</u>: News from Caritas Leics: Catholic Social Teaching reminds us of our responsibility to care for the most vulnerable in society and for all of creation, and to act for the common good. CAFOD and the SVP have prepared some questions for us to consider and to ask of candidates. We can use this to gather information before we cast our votes. (These are available after Mass today and more) information is on the website <u>https://cafod.org.uk/campaign/uk-general-election-2024-a-guide-for-catholic-voters</u> Also please see the comprehensive page from the Bishop's conference of England and Wales: <u>General Election 2024 - Catholic Bishops' Conference (cbcew.org.uk)</u>

THE LADIES MIDSUMMER LUNCH: Tickets are now Sold out Many thanks for your support. (MHET)