



# Our Lady of Victories

Market Harborough

11th August 2024  
19th Week of Ordinary Time.  
Psalter Week 3

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**A REFLECTION FROM POPE FRANCIS FOR THE YEAR OF PRAYER, for the Nineteenth Sunday of the Year:** Elijah appears with Moses on the Mount of the Transfiguration, bearing witness to Jesus as the fulfilment of the Old Testament prophecies. In prayer, he grew in discernment of the Lord's will and found the courage to denounce injustice, even at great personal cost. Elijah's experience of God in prayer culminated, as we know, when the Lord appeared to him not in wind and fire, but in a quiet whisper. May we strive to discern God's will every day of our lives.  
To read the full reflection and find more resources [www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer](http://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer)  
A prayer sheet is available.

**GIVING IN MARKET 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 [parishpriest@olvic.com](mailto:parishpriest@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. Also we have a contactless card reader in the Cloister for church donations repository and Votive candles.

**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@victimssupport.org.uk](mailto:safespaces@victimssupport.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](http://www.spiritualabuse.com)  
**Action on Elder Abuse Helpline** – 0808 808 8141

<u>AUGUST</u>	<u>EUCCHARISTIC</u>	<u>MINISTERS</u>	<u>ROTA</u>	
	6 p.m.	10 a.m.		
10/11 August	S Jones	C McInnes	J O'Leary	S McGlone
17/18 August	J Lowe	T Page	T Ruane	J Shellard
24/25 August	B Phillips		V Winter	F Wilson

<u>FINANCE</u>	<u>28/7/24</u>	<u>READERS</u>			
Envelopes	£264.00		<b>Sat. 6.00pm</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>10.00am</b>
Loose	£227.28	10/11 Aug	C Baldham	M Douglas	M Blake
<b>Total</b>	<b>£491.28</b>	17/18 Aug	J Rowland	C Reed	K Lilley

## TIMES OF SERVICES

### Sunday: 19th of Ordinary Time

6.00pm Mass: Maria & Casimir RIP  
10.00am Mass: Vic Norton RIP Anniv  
Coffee after Mass  
4.30pm: Rosary outside Church

### Monday: Feria

9.00am Mass: Thomas Murphy RIP

### Tuesday: Feria

**10.30am: Bozena Bates Funeral**

### Wednesday: St Maximilian Maria Kolbe

9.45am: Morning Prayer  
10.00am Mass: Personal Int

### Thursday: THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

#### *A Holiday of Obligation*

9.40am: Rosary  
10.00am Mass: Deceased Plowright & Webb Families  
Coffee after Mass

**7.30pm Mass: Father George Towler RIP**

### Friday: Feria

7.00pm Mass: Peter Northway RIP

### Saturday: Feria

6.00pm Mass: People of the Parish

### Sunday: 20th of Ordinary Time

10.00am Mass: Tony Dolby RIP Birthday (Chris)



*I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.*

### CONFESSIONS

Sat. 11.00am & 5.15pm

**FR CHRIS WRITES:** Please pray for **Bozena Bates** who died . Her funeral will be on Tuesday 13th August at 10.30am. Also Michael O'Brien who died and sadly, Frank Doyle died at LOROS last Friday. May they all rest in peace and Our Lord console their families.

**MUSIC EVENING: Saturday, September 28th.** This is an evening for parishioners to entertain other parishioners with songs and music. If you would like to contribute to the evening by singing or playing please contact Stephen McGlone on 07912345352. The parish has much untapped talent and different cultures so please don't be shy in coming forward!

**ALTAR SERVERS: Have you considered becoming an Altar Server?** We would love you to be involved in this precious ministry, school children or adults, 8 or 88 all are welcome. A big commitment? No, not at all. The Saturday Vigil and Sunday Service are the main ones, other masses during the week are completely optional. It's up to you what time you can give. I did this years ago! So come on back and enjoy the experience all over again. Some might think they always wanted to be a server but never got the chance, here's your chance. Interested? Please speak to Fr. Chris or Dave Percival or call to arrange a convenient time for an informal chat. We would love to hear from you. (Dave's mobile: 07981 205861 Email: [dave.percival@ntlworld.com](mailto:dave.percival@ntlworld.com))

**PARISH SAFEGUARDING UPDATE: VOLUNTEER TRAINING** The Safeguarding office have announced that the Online CSSA Safeguarding Training is now ready for volunteers in **DBS required roles**. We have been asked to forward the CSSA training webpage link to each relevant volunteer so that they can register and complete their online training. The CSSA have provided an information sheet for us to forward to each person as well, which contains FAQs and joining instructions. We will shortly be emailing everyone who is currently volunteering in a DBS role, with both the link and information sheet. It may also be possible for the parish to arrange a group training session. If this would be useful/necessary for you as you possibly do not have internet access at home, then please let us know. **All training needs to be completed by December 10<sup>th</sup> 2024.**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS** will now ALL need to have a current DBS. This had been changed in recent years so that only those who took Communion to people in their own homes required a DBS, but from now on, everyone in this role will require one. We will be contacting all relevant Eucharistic Ministers shortly to start their checks. Theresa and Christine.

As Catholics we must do all that we can to defend human life, in all forms and at all stages. But our belief that life is a sacred gift from God is not shared by all. Under the new government, decriminalisation of abortion and assisted suicide will both soon be debated in Parliament. On **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September** there will be an opportunity to witness to our belief in the value of life with the annual **MARCH FOR LIFE** in Westminster. More information is available at [www.marchforlife.co.uk/2024-event-page](http://www.marchforlife.co.uk/2024-event-page). There will be a coach going from Nottingham; for information, and to book, contact [MarieLangford@live.co.uk](mailto:MarieLangford@live.co.uk) (07948 151 264).

**THE DIOCESE OF NOTTINGHAM ANNOUNCES** today (Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> July) that the Executive summary report, from the Safeguarding Audit undertaken by the national Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency (CSSA), has been published. The report's key findings are "that the Diocese of Nottingham is at the overall grading of *Comprehensive Assurance at this time (2<sup>nd</sup> highest grade)*", and that the *Training and Support for Safeguarding was judged to be Exemplary (highest grade)*. In addition, the document states that good practice was found across all eight of the national safeguarding standards. The audit took place in May 2024, and it included interviews, surveys and focus groups as well as examining the evidence provided by the diocese through an assessment and various other requested documents. Bishop Patrick said: *This positive outcome is due to the determined efforts of our Diocesan Safeguarding Team, led by Rachael Campion, our Director of Safeguarding, and the very significant support of our clergy and lay people, particularly the sterling work of our parish Safeguarding Representatives*". See <https://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/>

The **SPANNED Annual Mass** is being celebrated by Bishop Patrick at Saint Peter's Church, Leicester Road, Hinckley on **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September** with our five diocesan groups and many friends, at 2.30pm. SPANNED has been working on climate change over the last two years and will present their findings to the bishop at the Mass in the form of a Manifesto, called "If you want to change the world, then change your life". For more details contact Father Frank Daly after 25<sup>th</sup> August on 01455 634443 or at [hinckleypriory@gmail.com](mailto:hinckleypriory@gmail.com). Likewise, if you are coming we would like to know numbers so that you can stay with us for some refreshments afterwards. All are very welcome.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY has now finished for the summer. Many thanks to Heather and our team.** Registration forms for children starting school are available from Fr Chris. Any new leaders to help on our rota would be most welcome a DBS is required which we do as a Parish.



Mount Saint Bernard Abbey is hosting a **FAMILY PILGRIMAGE** on **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September**. Outdoor Mass will be celebrated at 2pm, followed by a Marian Procession, and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Bring a picnic and something to sit on, enjoy the Abbey grounds: all are welcome. Contact James at [JNoakes@englishmartyrs.org](mailto:JNoakes@englishmartyrs.org)

**OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM: Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2024** at the Catholic National Shrine led by Fr Zvonimir Pavičić OFM parish priest of St James, Medjugorje. 1.15pm Gathering, Rosary and Litany, Talk by Fr Zvonimir. Break. 3.45pm Holy Mass, Adoration and Benediction. 5.30pm Depart..

**There is a coach going from Leicester. Please see Poster for details**

**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 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](mailto:Parishpriest@olvic.com) As for all these roles we need to do a DBS check.

