

HARBOROUGH CHRISTIAN COUNSELLING SERVICE (The Bower House) would really like to hear from you if... you would like to volunteer as a support worker you are a professional counsellor or clinical supervisor you have an interest in fundraising or have other skills you'd like to offer. Build your CV, use your skills to help others and be part of a supportive community! Find out more at: bowerhousecounselling.org (01858) 469257 We look forward to hearing from you!

BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD a three-days' retreat led by Father Roger Dawson SJ, aiming to help participants find a greater attentiveness and disposition to God's presence in their lives through a disciplining of the mind and awareness of the present moment. The retreat will be held between **Friday 14th and Monday 17th November**, at the Christian Heritage Centre, Lancashire. More details can be found at: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/be-still-and-know-that-i-am-god>

YOUNG ADULT MEETINGS THROUGH OCTOBER: *Growing up in Liverpool, nearly everyone on my street was Catholic. My mum worked in the presbytery which was like a second home to us. And being part of the community was so important. It wasn't only about going to Mass on Sundays. This has influenced my adult Catholic life with choices made about being active in my parish, volunteering, and work choices I have made. I look forward to meeting with you and hearing some of your stories too!* Maggie Mairura will be joining Young Adults at Holy Cross, Leicester, on Thursday 23rd. Join together for prayer, community, and input as well as some great coffee! For more info contact charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: Between **Wednesday 24th September – Sunday 2nd November**. Help save lives in Leicester! You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilisation to Pray and Fast for an end to abortion, by taking part in 40 Days for life in our community, taking place at Across from Aylestone Road Gardens, Aylestone Road, Leicester, LE2 8PW, between 8.00am and 8.00pm daily. For more details contact Maureen: leicester40daysforlife@gmail.com

<u>OCT</u>	EUCCHARISTIC	MINISTERS		
	6 p.m.	10 a.m.		
18/19 October	J Lowe	J Shellard	M Douglas	V Winter
25/26 October	B Mugoni	K Crawford	P Green	W Kwacz

READERS			
	Sat. 6.00pm	Sunday	10.00am
18/19 October	C Baldham	D Chappell	B Tyrell
25/25 October	M Mihovilovic	M Blake	M Douglas
1/2 November	Matkins	R van der Liet	C Sellechia
8/9 November	J Rowland	M Lewin	R Lewin
15/16 November	C Baldam	J Thayaseelan	P Green



Our Lady of Victories

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19th October 2025
29th Week of Ordinary Time
Psalter Week 1

TIMES OF SERVICES

SUNDAY: 29th of Ordinary Time

6.00pm Mass: People of the Parish

10.00am Mass: Peter Murphy (Keith & Rose)

Coffee after Mass

4.30pm: Rosary outside church

MONDAY: Feria

9.00am: Personal Int

TUESDAY: Feria

9.00am Mass: Personal Int

7.15pm; what Catholics Believe & Why (Octagonal Hall)

WEDNESDAY: St John Paul II

9.45am: Morning Prayer

10.00am Mass: Julie & Bernard (Eileen)

THURSDAY: Feria

9.40am: Rosary

10.00am Mass: Peace

Coffee after Mass

7.00pm: Holy Hour

FRIDAY: Feria

7.00pm Mass: Noreen Sheridan RIP (Tom)

SATURDAY: Feria

6.00pm Mass: People of the Parish

SUNDAY: 30th of Ordinary Time

10.00am Mass: Bill Kerr RIP (Goddard)

Coffee after Mass



*God will see
justice done to
his chosen who
cry to him*

CONFESSIONS
Sat 11 am
5.15am

2nd collection for World Mission Sunday

FR CHRIS WRITES: 'Missionaries Of Hope Among All Peoples' Sunday 12 October – This Sunday is World Mission Sunday. The Holy Father invites all Catholics to support Missio – his charity for world mission – through a special collection. This day of prayer, solidarity and giving unites Catholics worldwide to share the Good News of God's love which has the power to transform lives and heal our world. To donate, use the Missio envelopes, call 020 7821 9755 (office hours) or visit missio.org.uk to give a gift, set up a Direct Debit and Gift Aid your donation if possible.

Anne Worthington died at the Willows. She has been with us about 2 years and was a Parishioner at Oadby. She made the tapestry which used to be behind the Altar and now hangs in the De Trafford Room. Her funeral will be on Monday 27th October at 10.00am. Also **Shaun Curran** died. Our Condolences to Kath and all the family. His funeral will be on Thursday 13 November 10.00am.

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS TO CAFOD's FAMILY

FAST DAY of £791.80. Your donations in our parish collection and online are helping families like Waré's in Ethiopia. CAFOD's local partners worked with Waré's community to build an underground water tank that now provides safe water for 300 families. Your support this Harvest will help more communities have better access to safe water. You can read more about Ware's story here:

www.cafod.org.uk/harvest



WHAT A CATHOLIC BELIEVES AND WHY: Begins Tuesday 14th October 7.15pm

This is the title of a user-friendly course we are setting up in the parish in October. It is for those who wish to know more about the Catholic Faith and what it means to be a Catholic Christian in today's world. It will be of particular interest to those enquiring about the possibility of being received into the Church at Easter 2026. Those who are already members of the Church but would like to engage with others in refreshing their knowledge of the beauty and richness of our Faith are also most welcome on the course. If you are interested please contact (without obligation) Fr Chris or Peter Green (green853@btinternet.com)

After our Meeting **we now have times and dates:**

Course: Evangelium (Catholic Truth Society):

Day of meeting: **TUESDAY**

Times: Assemble 7.15pm (coffee/tea,) Start 7.30pm (prompt): Finish 8.45 (prompt)

Commencement: **TUESDAY 14th OCTOBER.** Length of Course: Weekly meetings from October 2025 to March 2026 (inclusive) **NB:** Adjustments will be made as and when necessary.

NOVEMBER DEAD LIST: The Catholic Tradition of praying for the Holy Souls, particularly our own departed family and friends, takes on a special focus in November. During this month and during the rest of the year Masses will be offered with this intention in mind. If you would like to make a list of your deceased loved ones, it will be placed near the Altar during our November Masses. An offering is given and a series of Masses are offered for all our dead Loved ones in November and throughout the year. **Forms & Envelopes are available as you leave Church.**



Come & visit our New Look

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Saturday 29th November 2024

Church Rooms & Octagonal Hall

We are looking for donations please:
No White Elephant Stall this year. Instead there will be three exciting
 'Vintage' stalls, each in a different room.

Donations of **good quality, pre-loved items** that can be displayed on a table top. Preserves, Bottles, Books, Wines & Spirits, CD's & DVD's, Cakes etc etc.

(Please: No Electricals, Clothes or Cycles etc).

A new look Bazaar this year

STALLS – GAMES – FACE PAINTING – PERUVIAN GOODS
 SANTA – TOYS – HAMPERS – CHILDRENS CHOIR – GUITARIST
 CHRISTMAS TREE COMPETITION – PRIZE DRAW ETC ETC

Kindly bring all your donated goods into the church cloister, weekdays or weekends, where they will be collected & sorted. Thank you for your generosity, it is appreciated. Enquiries: Alan Sear (Chairman) 07850-252064

RED BOXES: How time flies by! It is time once again for the emptying of the Missio Red Boxes. We are so grateful for your continuing support for the Missions. It really is true that if you look after the pennies, the pounds will look after themselves! Our Parish has continued to do this in a very generous way. Could you please leave your box in the Sacristy or hand it to Father Chris or Bob and Chris Shepherd and we will return it to the table in the cloister shortly afterwards.

ADC: Just a quick update as we continue to help the poor and underprivileged in our world and to thank you most sincerely for your generous donations through our White Envelope Scheme and with your contributions of goods, books and clothes. As well as raising funds for our charity through EBay selling, we are now sending clothes and household goods to the Philippines and the Gambia, and items for babies and toddlers to an orphanage in Senegal. None of this would be possible without your help so please, please continue to leave your unwanted or surplus clothing and goods in the cloister so that we are able to make life just a little bit better for those who have so very little. Heartfelt appreciation for all that you do to enable ADC to support Father John, Water for Kids, Aid for Chad and Peru and The Philippines Schools Project. Thank you so very much.

A JOURNEY THROUGH ADVENT with Fr John Farrell OP Using the daily lectionary readings at mass to guide us through the Advent Season. Saturday December 6th, Saturday December 13th, Saturday December 20th. 9.30am (coffee) to 12.30pm (when we share a light lunch together.) There are no charges, but voluntary donations to defer expenses may be given. The meetings will be held in the Catholic Church Hall in Market Harborough.