

Golden Jubilee of SPANNED: Our diocesan agency supporting people with additional needs (SPANNED) is 50 years old this year and will be marked by a Golden Jubilee Mass celebrated by Bishop Patrick at Saint Peter's Church, Hinckley, on **Saturday 26th September** at 2.00pm. All are very welcome to share this wonderful milestone. If you are contemplating coming please contact Father Frank Daly, on 01455 634443, or hinckleypriory@gmail.com by 31st August, to help with catering arrangements.

Please keep in your prayers our diocesan seminarians, **MICHAEL AND LUKAS**, as they return to Oscott College; and for Corrado and Jakob who are starting the pre-seminary year in Valladolid this week. If you wish to find out more about a vocation to the priesthood please contact Father Neil Peoples at vocations@dioceseofnottingham.uk

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?.*



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

<u>Sept 2026</u>	EUCCHARISTIC	MINISTERS		
	6 p.m.	10 a.m.		
19/20 Sept	B O'Malley	A Randle	J Shellard	M Douglas
26/27 Sept	J Mugoni	K Crawford	P Green	W Kwacz

READERS			
	Sat. 6.00pm	Sunday	10.00am
19/20 Sept	W Hudson	M Lewin	R Lewin
26/27 Sept	B O'Malley	J Thayaseelan	P Green



Our Lady of Victories

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20th September 2026
25th Week of Ordinary Time
Mass p131 EP III
Pref I p66
Psalter Week 1

TIMES OF SERVICES

SUNDAY: 25th of Ordinary Time

6.00pm Mass: People of the Parish

10.00am Mass: Jean Riley RIP (Cates)

MONDAY: ST MATTHEW, APOSTLE & EVANGELIST

9.00am Mass: November Dead List

TUESDAY: Feria

9.00am Mass: Mary Stanford RIP (Joan)

WEDNESDAY: St Pius of Pietrelcina

9.45am: Morning Prayer

10.00am: Anne da Silva Ints

THURSDAY: OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM (Feast)

9.40am: Rosary

10.00am: Mike Hall RIP (O'Malley)

Coffee

7.00pm: Holy Hour

FRIDAY: Feria

7.00pm Mass: November Dead List

SATURDAY: Feria

6.00pm: November Dead List

SUNDAY: 26th of Ordinary Time

10.00am Mass: Julia Cooke RIP (Crawford))

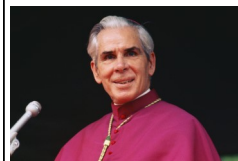
Coffee after Mass



"You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage."

CONFESSIONS

Sat 11 am
5.15am



Today is Home Mission Sunday
2nd Collection for the work of Evangelisation in England and Wales
24th September: 8.00pm the Beatification of Archbishop Fulton Sheen a great evangeliser

FR CHRIS WRITES: On **Sunday 20th September** we celebrate **Home Mission Sunday**, a day for us as the Catholic community in England and Wales to celebrate our faith in these lands, and our shared commitment to communicate the beauty and the joy of knowing Jesus Christ. Celebrating the Holy Father's first encyclical, the theme for this year is "Magnifica Humanitas" as the heart of the mission. We can celebrate together the call the Holy Father has placed before us to live out our authentic humanity which finds its fullness in Christ. The Second Collection supports the work carried out by the Bishops' Conference Mission Directorate, supporting our Church in a wide field of service and mission here in England and Wales. Please hold this important work in your prayers and give as generously as you can. Thank you.
We had marvellous news with **the defeat the assisted suicide Bill**. We thank God for listening to our prayers! Praise and thank him!



GROWING IN DISCIPLESHIP: : Continues on **Tuesday 29th September 7.30pm for 7.45pm** in the Octagonal Hall.

Vatican II ? What Happened

Please note that **this is also for all Parishioners to grow in discipleship and to anyone wishing to learn more about the Catholic Faith**. Further information from Peter Green green853@btinternet.com". We believe this to be a lovely on-going initiative to our parish response to Bishop Patrick's **Five Year Plan** for the diocese.

RCIA " We are once again looking to form a small group of people interested in exploring the Catholic Faith with a view to being received into the universal Church at Easter 2027. Three people have already expressed interest in this. If you would like more information please contact me on: green853@btinternet.com OR **07513 378227** (mobile) Alternatively, please have a word with Fr Chris or myself after Mass. Peter Green."

Join the Dominican Sisters of Saint Joseph, on **Friday 9th October**, for an introductory session to discover the vocation of the catechist and **how to use the Catechism** as a tool in passing on the faith to others. Meet after the 6.10pm Mass in the Frassati Centre, Holy Cross LE1 6HW. The evening will include a mixture of talks and workshops, and we will finish with Compline (night prayer). Some light food will be provided, and everything will conclude by 9pm. There is no cost to attend, but registration is essential, at: **OPENING THE TREASURE TROVE: USING THE CATECHISM FOR CATECHISTS**. More information is available at <https://holycrossleicester.org/news/catechesis-training/>

BAZAAR CORNER -

Welcome to our weekly Bazaar update. This weekend please do take home with you a "save the date" newsletter that looks back on last years amazing and enjoyable day but also starts to share with you information for this years event. **Remember to share this with your family, friends and colleagues.**

RETREAT DAY for the Parishes of Leicester & Leicestershire A day of prayer and reflection. **Saturday 31st October 2026 10.00am - 3.00pm** (Arrivals and refreshments from 9.30am) at St Joseph's Church, Goodwood Road, Leicester LE5 6SG led by Sr Marie-Kolbe Zamora, OSF, S.T.D Booking essential: jackie.williams@dioceseofnottingham.uk See Poster

The Diocese is inviting all Catechists to a day at Holy Trinity Newark on **Saturday 17th October** entitled: **REIMAGINING CATECHESIS**. As a catechist would you love to see more families engaged with parish life and growing in faith? That at the end of sacramental programmes fewer people would 'disappear'. This day led by the team from GIFT (Growing In Faith Together) will share how this is happening in their parishes and it can happen in yours too. For more information see the poster in church or visit dioceseofnottingham.uk/events

GIVING IN MARKET HARBOROUGH: We have a **new Dona machine**. We will run two for the moment. The new one will also work off line if the internet drops out. However gift aid donors will need to register their details again on the new machine. You can also give via the web link: <https://donate.mydona.com/our-lady-of-victories-church> or QR Code.



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. Many thanks to all who continue giving to the Parish.

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day is on Friday 2nd October. This Harvest CAFOD is sharing stories of change from northern Zimbabwe where tackling hunger and thirst is helping children get back to learning. Thank you for all your support.

LEICESTER 40 DAYS FOR LIFE: Prayer Vigil being held between Wednesday 23rd September and Monday 1st November. For more information contact leicester40daysforlife@gmail.com or visit www.40daysforlife.com/en/leicester

CHILDREN'S LITURGY HAS RESTARTED. Could parents please note that a registration form must be completed and handed in to Father Chris or a member of the liturgy team before the child starts attending. These will be available by the front door. If your child is starting school this term and would like to join the group could I ask that a parent/carer brings them out to introduce them the first time and then leaves them if they are quite happy. We are always looking for new people to join the Liturgy team. A DBS is necessary but if you are interested do come out to a session and see what goes on or ring me Heather Powell on 01858 46378 Reminder: The back door to the Hall will be locked once Children's Liturgy has started.



CHURCHES TOGETHER IN HARBOROUGH. Forum meeting **Monday 21st @ 7.30pm** Venue - Renew Wellbeing Cafe, Manor Walk. All Welcome to attend.