



# Our Lady of Victories

Market Harborough

21st July 2024  
16th Week of Ordinary Time.  
Psalter Week 4

This year's **NEW DAWN PILGRIMAGE** will take place from **Monday 5th to Friday 9th August** at the National Shrine and Basilica of Our Lady of Walsingham. New Dawn is a family event with a programme of Liturgy, Sacraments, praise and worship, keynote speakers, workshops, children/youth ministries and more. Further information can be found at [www.newdawn.org.uk](http://www.newdawn.org.uk)



**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.

**A REFLECTION FROM POPE FRANCIS FOR THE YEAR OF PRAYER, for the Sixteenth Sunday of the Year:** In the Old Testament David – as pastor and king – prefigures Jesus the Good Shepherd and universal King, whose prayerful relationship with his heavenly Father sustained his whole life. David was both saint and sinner, full of contradictions, yet in his vocation of leadership he was constant in prayerful dialogue with God. Our lives are often marked by contradictory forces, but if, like David, we persevere in prayer, whatever our vocation and the difficulties we may face, we will come to know the closeness of the Lord and be able to share this joy with others. To read the full reflection and find more resources [www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer](http://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer) A prayer sheet is available.

The Diocesan Education Service is seeking to appoint a highly professional, motivated **GOVERNANCE MANAGER** to join their small and friendly team. This is a part-time / term time permanent appointment. The post will start on 1st September, at a FTE salary of between £38k and £42k. Applications should be received by noon, Monday 29th July. More details can be found at [www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/careers](http://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/careers)

JULY	EUCCHARISTIC	MINISTERS	ROTA	
	6 p.m.	10 a.m.		
20/21 July	A Hall	J Shellard	T Page	T Ruane
27/28 July	B O'Malley		F Wilson	V Winter

FINANCE	14/07/24	READERS		
Envelopes	£255.02		Sat. 6.00pm	Sunday 10.00am
Loose	£190.46	20/21 July	M Atkins	C McHugh
<b>Total</b>	<b>£445.48</b>	27/28 July	M Mihovilovic	C Goddard
				M Crook

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Parish Pastoral Council Members: see photos on notice board  
Diocese of Nottingham: Company Number 7151646 Charity Number: 1134449  
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## TIMES OF SERVICES

### Sunday: 16th of Ordinary Time

6.00pm Mass: People of the Parish  
10.00am Mass: Sean Crowley RIP (Bartlett)  
Coffee after Mass

4.30pm: Rosary outside Church

### Monday: St Mary Magdalene

9.00am Mass: November Dead List

### Tuesday: St Bridget, Patron of Europe

9.00am Mass: Father Neville McClement RIP

### Wednesday: Feria

9.45am: Morning Prayer  
10.00am Mass: Special Int Gerry White (Rita)

### Thursday: St James, Apostle

9.40am: Rosary  
10.00am Mass: Mary (Trish) & Tony Wilson RIP (Jean & David)

Coffee after Mass

7.00pm: Holy Hour

### Friday: Feria

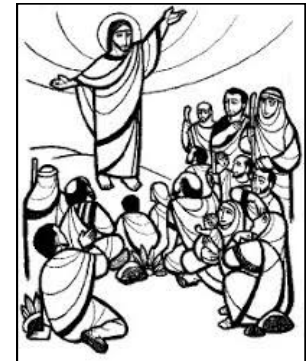
7.00pm Mass: Father John Taylor RIP

### Saturday: Sts Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6.00pm Mass: Maria & Casimir RIP

### Sunday: 17th of Ordinary Time

10.00am Mass: Cath Newey & Son David (Ian & Barbara)



*They were like sheep without a shepherd.*

### CONFESSIONS

Sat. 11.00am & 5.15pm

*Happy holidays all!*

**FR CHRIS WRITES:** We congratulate Fr Michael Moore on his Golden anniversary of ordination to the Priesthood which takes place this Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July. Our Older parishioners will know that he served here as a Curate in the 1970s. As well as being a Parish Priest he has held various ministries in the diocese such as trustee, episcopal Vicar and on the Bishop's Council. Also he was director of on going formation for Clergy which has been so important for all our Priests and Deacons. I have been privileged to have Fr Michael as a neighbour in my first Parish and have been friends since then. May God Bless him and us in his retirement. Ad multos annos! There is wine and cakes after the 6.00pm Mass in the Octagonal Hall.

**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.

**SPUC COFFEE MORNING:** All are welcome to a coffee day on behalf of the unborn on Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup> July from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM at 56 Granville St. There will be strawberry cream cake and a raffle. Eileen Hill.

Thank you for giving to **SEA SUNDAY**. Our parish raised £255.39 so far. Your generous gifts will ensure that Stella Maris chaplains can continue to be a friend for seafarers and fishers in times of need. To find out more about how your support helps those who live and work at sea please visit [www.stellamaris.org.uk](http://www.stellamaris.org.uk).



**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.



**HOLIDAY AT HOME:** A week of activities and entertainment for seniors, July 29<sup>th</sup> to 2<sup>nd</sup> August at the Methodist Church (opposite Market Hall), £7 per day/£9 on Friday or £35 for the week. Two course lunch, tea, coffee and biscuits included. To book, phone 01858 410878, if no reply please leave a message with your name and phone number.

The annual **PILGRIMAGE OF REPARATION AND PRAYER FOR THE SANCTITY OF LIFE** is being held in Walsingham on **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> August**, led by Bishop David Oakley of Northampton Diocese. In the 40 years in which the Pilgrimage has been held there has been a shocking increase in the annual number of abortions throughout the United Kingdom and Ireland. At the same time there is constant pressure from euthanasia supporting lobby groups to introduce assisted suicide, with high profile personalities endorsing this policy. Humanly, we may feel that we lack any means to counter this onslaught, but this day in Walsingham is to storm heaven in the peace and beauty of this Shrine, remembering Our Lady's words, "All who come here will find help in their need". More details are available at: [www.walsingham.org.uk/event/pro-life-pilgrimage-4/](http://www.walsingham.org.uk/event/pro-life-pilgrimage-4/)

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).

**COULD YOU HELP COUPLES PREPARING FOR MARRIAGE?** Marriage Care in partnership with the Diocese of Nottingham are looking for volunteers who would like to train to help local couples prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage. If you would like to know more about what is involved in helping couples build their marriage on a firm foundation come to our webinar (with no commitment to train as a facilitator) on **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July** at 7pm. Visit [dioceseofnottingham.uk/events](http://dioceseofnottingham.uk/events) or email [formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk) to book your place.

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 (Sacrament of Reconciliation). 3.45pm Holy Mass, Adoration and Benediction. 5.30pm Depart.

**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>rd</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](http://www.youth2000.org/events) Do consider whether you think you might benefit from participating.