

To celebrate the amazing work of the wonderful Catechists who do so much in our diocese we will be having a **JUBILEE OF CATECHISTS** Day. The day will include the celebration of Mass and a conference to help them in their ministry. There will be two keynote talks from Dr Mark Nash Director for the Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis, with workshops and time to mingle. The day will be held on **Saturday 11th October** at Saint Joseph's Church, Leicester, LE5 6SG; from 10.00am until 4.00pm, and will cost £10; please bring a packed lunch. More information can be found at <https://bit.ly/CatechistJubilee> or email formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Saint Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham will host the **PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA AND RELICS OF SAINTS JACINTA AND FRANCISCO** on **Sunday 12th and Monday 13th October**, in commemoration of the Centenary of the Five First Saturdays devotion. The Visitation will include a procession and enthronement of the Fatima statue, followed by Mass; opportunities to venerate the saints' relics; praying the Rosary for world peace; and talks and videos about the Fatima messages. A book table with devotional materials will be available, and attendees can enrol in the Brown Scapular devotion. For further details visit: www.worldfatima-englandwales.org.uk or email: membership@waf-ew.org.uk

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 808 814

<u>AUGUST</u>	<u>EUCCHARISTIC</u>	<u>MINISTERS</u>		
	6 p.m.	10 a.m.		
20/21 Sept	J Mugoni	M Douglas	V Winter	J Shellard
27/28 Sept	M O'Malley	P Green	W Kwacz	K Crawford
<u>READERS</u>				
	Sat. 6.00pm	Sunday	10.00am	
20/21 Sept	M Atkins	R Lewin	M Lewin	
27/28 Sept	J Rowland	P Green	J Thayaseelan	



Our Lady of Victories

Market Harborough

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 Parish Pastoral Council Members: see photos on notice board

21st September 2025
 25th Week of Ordinary Time
 Psalter Week 1

TIMES OF SERVICES

SUNDAY: 25th of Ordinary Time

6.00pm Mass: People of the Parish
 10.00am Mass: Dorren Chong RIP (Sari)
 Coffee after Mass 4.30pm: Rosary outside church

MONDAY: Feria

9.00am: Mass: November Dead List

TUESDAY: St Pius of Pietrelcina

9.00am Mass: Dominic Pelosi

WEDNESDAY: OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

9.45am: Morning Prayer
 10.00am Mass: Personal Int

THURSDAY: Feria

9.40am: Rosary
 10.00am Mass: Mary & Felicity (Eileen)
 Coffee after Mass

NO Holy Hour

FRIDAY: Feria

10.00am Mass: For Peace

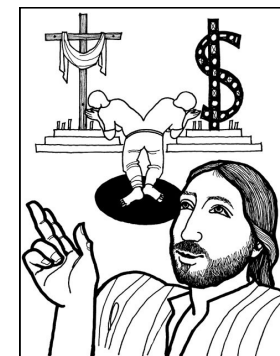
SATURDAY: St Vincent de Paul

6.00pm Mass: People of the Parish

SUNDAY: 26th of Ordinary Time

10.00am Mass: Peter Kimberlin RIP (family)
 Coffee after Mass

Home Mission Sunday
2nd Collection This weekend



*You cannot be
 the slave of
 both God and
 money.*

CONFESSIONS
 Sat 11 am
 5.15am

We are delighted to welcome the return of the **HARBOROUGH BAND** to Our Lady of victories Church on Saturday 27th September at 7.30pm after evening Mass. Our share of the money from the band Concert will be given to the UK charity "young lives and cancer" this charity supports children and their families to handle the day-to-day challenges that come with a child or young person's cancer diagnosis. This charity is also launching the "young persons innovation" lab 10 fundamentally Improving cancer care for children and young people in the UK. Tickets on sale at our Masses £10 Or see Celia, Netta or Steve. Tel 01858 440191. Thank you.

EVANGELII GAUDIUM SUNDAY calls us to be joyous in proclaiming our faith. "Evangelii Gaudium" is Latin for "Joy of the Gospel". It is a Sunday more commonly known as Home Mission Sunday, a day for us as the Catholic community in England and Wales to celebrate the beauty of our faith, and our shared commitment to witness to the fullness of life in Christ. Celebrating 1,700 years since the Council of Nicaea, the theme for this year is "I believe..." as the heart of the mission. More details about this can be found on the Bishops' Conference website - www.cbcew.org.uk/evangelii-gaudium-sunday. The second collection this weekend is to support the work carried out by the Bishops' Conference Mission Directorate. Through this directorate, we support 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. Abbot Hugh Allan O.Praem, National Director of Mission.

We remember **Bill Kerr** who died last week. His funeral will be on Monday 29th September 11.00am. Our condolences to Claire and all the family. May he rest in peace.

WHAT A CATHOLIC BELIEVES AND WHY: 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) **A BRIEF PRELIMINARY MEETING FOR EVERYONE INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT THIS COURSE WILL BE HELD AFTER THE 10AM MASS ON SUNDAY 21st SEPTEMBER. THIS WILL INCLUDE DATES AND TIME OF MEETINGS, LEADERSHIP, etc.**

St Joseph's PTFA QUIZ & CHIPS 10 OCT 7.30 St Joseph's School hall. READY TO PLAY? Standard ticket: £10 per person including chips Enhanced ticket: £15 per person including choice of fish bites, battered or vegan sausage with chips Maximum team of 6. bring your own drinks Tickets available online or via the office. See Poster www.pta-events.co.uk/stjosephsPTFA

YOUNG ADULT MASS: In September Young Adults across the diocese are invited to start the new academic year at one of our Masses on: Thursday 25th at Holy Cross church, Leicester (Mass at 6:10) For more info contact charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk

LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR: St Joseph's Catholic Academy - Market Harborough Are you passionate about making a difference in children's lives? Our friendly primary school is looking for a dedicated Lunchtime Supervisor to inspire fun and collaborative play at lunchtimes and instil kindness and friendship for all. What we're Looking For: Patience, positivity and a love for working with children. Strong communication and organisational skills. A team player who is eager to help children thrive. Please contact St Joseph's school. 01858 465359; office@stjosephs.leics.sch.uk

HELPING YOUNG CATHOLICS TO HELP OTHERS: The Catenian Association Bursary Fund gives financial support to young Catholics volunteering to do something wonderful by helping those less fortunate than themselves. Whether this is an individual project, or with others, in a developing country; or travelling to Lourdes to help an assisted pilgrim, we would like to help you to achieve your aim of helping others. If you know someone planning to volunteer in such ways, take a look at <https://catenianbursary.com/> where further information and an application form can be found.

It's time to **RETHINK BAPTISM PREPARATION**. Join The Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis for a Masterclass webinar on Infant Baptism Preparation on **Tuesday 7th October** at 7.30pm. The session will explore the Catechetical Institute's Infant Baptism Preparation resource with Dr Petroc Willey, Dr William J. Keimig, and Jacqueline and Michael van Hemert. The Masterclass will be perfect for priests, deacons, catechists and baptism preparation volunteers. Registration is £5, via www.aec.rcaos.org.uk/latest/masterclass-infant-baptism-preparation

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

Are you involved in **YOUTH MINISTRY** in your parish, whether through altar serving, children's liturgy or as a catechist; or are you keen to start something in your parish? In school as a teacher, lay chaplain or school governor? Or are you a parent or carer keen to find out more about the opportunities available for young people in the Diocese of Nottingham? The Diocesan Youth Service (NDCYS) is hosting an online information evening on **Tuesday 23rd September 7.00pm – 8.00pm** where you can find out about the opportunities available for young people, meet others involved in youth ministry and share ideas. To register, visit ndcys.com/youth-ministry-networking/

BIBLE TIMELINE COURSE from start to finish, the Old and New Testament, with this Free of Charge, world-renowned course presented online by Mauro Iannicelli. Starting on **Wednesday 1st October** at 7.00pm (x8 Wednesday evening sessions). For information and to register, visit www.comeandsee.org