

The Nottingham Diocesan Catholic Youth Service (NDCYS) is running an open retreat, **SEARCH FOR THE LIGHT**, during Easter weekend, Maundy Thursday 17th – Easter Sunday 20th April, at The Briars Catholic Youth Retreat Centre. Join the mission team as they walk with young people in Years 10 - Year 13 through the Easter Triduum. To book visit: ndcys.com/events-and-opportunities/search/

The Catholic Union is holding a **WEBINAR ON TERMINALLY ILL ADULTS (End of Life) BILL** on **Thursday 3rd April** at 6.30pm. Chaired by Baroness Hollins, President of the Catholic Union, it will give members and supporters the chance to unpick the Bill guided by three experts: Dr Matthew Doré; Dr Philip Howard and Professor Julian Hughes, before the Bill returns to the Commons' Chamber for Third Reading on 25th April. To sign up for the webinar register at www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/hard-cases-dont-make-good-law-assisted-suicide-webinar-tickets-1233106176769?aff=oddtcreator

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 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.

We are Accepting Contactless Donations. You will find our DIGITAL COLLECTION PLATE, contactless terminal in the Cloister. You can also give via the web link: <https://donate.mydona.com/our-lady-of-victories-church> or QR Code.



<u>MARCH</u>	EUCCHARISTIC	MINISTERS		
	6 p.m.	10 a.m.		
22/23 March	M O'Malley	J O'Leary	S McGlone	C McInnes
29/30 March	A Hall	J Shellard	T Page	T Ruane
5/6 April	S Jones	F Wilson	V Winter	A Randle
12/13 April	J Lowe	P Green	W Kwacz	K Crawford
19/10 April	B Mugoni	C McInnes	J O'Leary	S McGlone
26/27 April	B O'Malley	T Page	T Ruane	A Randle

READERS			
	Sat. 6.00pm	Sunday	10.00am
22/23 March	C Baldham	R Lewin	M Lewin
29/30 March	M Mihovilovic	P Green	J Thayaseelan



Our Lady of Victories

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TIMES OF SERVICES

Sunday: 3rd Of Lent

6.00pm Mass: People of the Parish

10.00am Mass: Gurmen Sari RIP

Coffee after Mass

Monday: Lenten FERIA

9.00am Mass: November Dead List

Tuesday: THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

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Wednesday: Lenten FERIA

9.45am: Morning Prayer

10.00am Mass: Surew & Anne da Silva - Gold Wedding (Cates)

Thursday: Lenten FERIA

9.40am: Rosary

10.00am Mass: Bridgie & James Hestow RIP (McGlone)

Coffee after Mass

7.00pm: Holy Hour

Friday: Lenten FERIA

12.30pm: Lenten reflection and Lunch Baptist Church

7.00pm: Stations of the Cross

7.30pm Mass: William Johnson RIP (Bishop)

Saturday: Lenten FERIA

10.30am: Lenten retreat in Octagonal Hall

6.00pm Mass: Matthew Liddle

Sunday: 4th Sunday of Lent

10.00am Mass: For Peace (Eileen)



*Unless you
repent you
will all perish
as they did.*

CONFESSIONS

Sat. 11.00am &
5.15pm

**A Special national Collection for the National Shrine at
Walsingham this weekend**

We have a Special National 2nd Collection this weekend for the shrine of our Lady of Walsingham. It is dedicated to supporting the projects at the shrine and especially in this jubilee year and to further the spiritual mission of our National Shrine: www.walsingham.org.uk



New envelopes for Church giving are available from Cate Perry this weekend. Many thanks to all who give to the Church.

LENT: A PILGRIMAGE TO THE PASSION: A series of Saturday morning Retreat-style meetings looking at the passion of Jesus according to John's Gospel. The purpose of the sessions is to prepare our minds and hearts to hear and reflect on Jesus' journey to the Cross in preparation for Good Friday and Easter. The series of meetings will be led by Father John Farrell, OP, a Dominican preacher based in Leicester. Father John is experienced in retreat-giving in Britain and abroad. He has a lovely ability to make the text of the New Testament 'live' for ordinary believers seeking to know more about Jesus. **DATES & TIMES:** SATURDAYS: 15, 22, 29, MARCH SATURDAY 5 APRIL. Please bring a bible, new testament or the gospel of John. 10.15am for a 10.30am start 10.30am to 11.15am Talk, followed by discussion; 11.15am - 11.30am Break; 11.30am to 12.15pm Talk, followed by discussion; 12.15pm to 12.30pm Silent Prayer 12.30pm Lunch (Bring your own. Tea/Coffee provided). There are no charges, but voluntary donations to defer expenses may be given. The meetings will be held in the Octagonal Hall in Market Harborough. Further information from Father Chris O'Connor, (462359) or Peter Green (414964) (email: green853@btinternet.com)

LENT STATIONS OF THE CROSS: 7.00pm on Fridays. Normally followed by Mass
Holy Hour with Benediction: Thursdays 7.00pm – 8.00pm with a meditation on next Sunday's readings. This is an opportunity for the most powerful prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, Our Bishop and the Holy Father have called us to adoration. Many graces are received before the Blessed Sacrament.

CAFOD Lent Appeal: Thank you for the donations. We have raised £564.78 so far. For the great work that CAFOD continues to do.



THE PROLIFE GROUP is having a meeting in the Kavanagh Room after 10am Mass on Sunday 30th March. All who are interested and would like to find out more about the ProLife Movement are welcome.

SAFEGUARDING: I would like to congratulate our Parish and thank you for all your help in keeping our Parish safe. It was recently commented to me that we are in the top 5 if not top 3 Parishes in the Diocese. Thank you for your cooperation in this vital work and particularly our Volunteers when they have to do our checks which make sure that we are all kept safe. Many, many thanks to our team of Christine and Teresa who lead us in this and do so much work behind the scenes. Our safeguarding is a fundamental part of the Gospel in looking after all the little ones.

ENABLING OUR MISSION CAMPAIGN: The first edition of the **Enabling Our Mission** Impact Report is now available in church. <https://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/mission-enabling-fund>

FRIDAY LENT LUNCHES begins March 14th Time: 12.30 - 1300. Reflections on the theme - Journey's of Faith. Venue: Baptist Church, Coventry Rd. Light lunch after the service of Soup, bread, Tea, coffee & Cake. Suggested donation of £5.00.



The Diocesan **WOMEN'S LENT RETREAT** returns to Nottingham this year on **Saturday 5th April**. The theme of the retreat is 'The Sacred Heart: An Icon of Hope' and it will be given by Canon Jonathan Cotton, a fantastic retreat leader. Good Shepherd Church, Nottingham (NG5 4HT) will host the retreat which will include Holy Mass, Talks, confession, social time and more. The cost of the day is £15, please bring a packed lunch. For more details and to book please see the poster in church or visit www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events

Join men from across the diocese on **Saturday 12th April** for our annual **MEN'S RETREAT**, once again at Mount Saint Bernard Abbey. The theme of the retreat is 'The Journey Through Holy Week' and it will be given by Father John Farrell OP, former provincial of the Dominican Order. The retreat will include Holy Mass in the Abbey, Talks, confession, guided adoration and more. The cost of the day is £15, please bring a packed lunch. For more details and to book please see the poster in church or visit www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: You can protect mothers and children by joining this world wide mobilisation to pray and fast for an end to abortion. During Lent March 5th -April 13 a lawful, peaceful prayer vigil will be taking place on Paigle Rd and the junction of Aylestone Rd, Leicester LE2 8PW from 8am - 8pm Monday to Saturday. Local contact: leicester40daysforlife@gmail.com
To learn more get involved and sign up for prayer times visit the website below.
www.40daysforlife.com/en/leicester

HELP NEEDED WITH OUR TRAVELLERS COMMUNITY: We no longer have Sister Helen with us who organised and prepared traveller basis for Holy Communion and Confirmation. Often they do not read. Sister Bernadette who was in the Convent will help with some training. She is the Diocesan Chaplain for travellers. A DBS children for the Sacraments. We are looking for Volunteers to help with this. It tends to be on an adhoc check is need for this role.

THE LADIES MIDSUMMER LUNCH in support of Saint Joseph school MHET will be on Thursday the 12th of June 2025 at Marston Trussell hall at 12:30 tickets are £40. For tickets ease contact Kate Crawford 01858 446873 / 07814629927

CALLING CATHOLIC TEACHERS If you are a Catholic teacher currently working outside of Catholic education and would like to find out more about the joys of working in a Catholic school within the Diocese of Nottingham, a virtual information session will take place on Wednesday 26 March from 7.00pm – 8.00pm. Please see the poster on the parish notice board. For further information, please contact: Julie Sweeney at the Diocesan Education Service (gill.burns@nottingham-des.org.uk).