

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: LADIES MIDSUMMER LUNCH. All tickets are now sold. And thank you to all those who have supported M H E T.

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 parishpriest@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.



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>April/May 2026</u>	EUCCHARISTIC	MINISTERS		
	6 p.m.	10 a.m.		
25/26 April	B O'Malley		T Page	A Randle
2/3 May	P Bebb		M Douglas	J Shellard
9/10 May	A Hall	W Kwacz	K Crawford	P Green
16/17 May	J Mugoni	J O'Leary	S McGlone	C McInnes
23/24 May	M O'Malley		A Randle	T Page
30/31 May	B Phillips		J Shellard	M Douglas

READERS			
	Sat. 6.00pm	Sunday	10.00am
25/26 April	M. Mihovilovic	S. McGlone	C. McHugh
2/3 April	C. Baldam	M. Blake	M. Douglas



Our Lady of Victories

Market Harborough

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Parish Pastoral Council Members: see photos on notice board

26th April 2026
4th Week of Eastertide
Psalter Week 4

TIMES OF SERVICES

SUNDAY: 4th of Eastertide

6.00pm Mass: Phil Danks RIP (Mary)

10.00am Mass: May Moroney RIP (Goddard)

MONDAY: Easter Feria

9.00am Mass: Bill Rochford (Vickie)

TUESDAY: Easter Feria

9.00am Mass: Jane & Ron RIP (Janina)

WEDNESDAY: St Catherine of Sienna, Patron of Europe

9.40am: Morning Prayer

10.00am: William Togher (Ruane)

THURSDAY: Easter Feria

9.40am: Rosary

10.00am: Perry Ginty RIP (McGlone)

Coffee

7.00pm: Holy Hour

FRIDAY: Easter Feria

7.00pm: November Dead List

SATURDAY: St Athanasius

6.00pm: Roger Pollard RIP Anniv (Amelita & Zoe)

SUNDAY: 5th of Easter

10.00am Mass: People of the Parish

Coffee after Mass



*I am the
gate of the
sheepfold.*

CONFESSIONS
Sat 11 am
5.15am

2nd Collection this week for the Clergy Formation Fund

FR CHRIS WRITES: Today is Good Shepherd Sunday/Called by Name Sunday

Bishop Patrick is asking us to identify in our parish/chaplaincy, faithful young men (18 years and older, who have a love for Christ and his Church, who exhibit qualities of leadership and service, and who may be open to learning more about the priesthood.

To submit names, please fill in one of the pew cards and return it in the collection basket, or to a basket at the end of Mass, or by email to vocations@dioceseofnottingham.uk **To be able to fill out the details of the card, you will need to speak with the man you are nominating and to check they are happy for their name to be put forward.**

Those whose names you submit will receive a letter of encouragement from Bishop Patrick and be invited to meet with him. Fr Neil Peoples, our Vocations Director will also offer them support and guidance as they discern their vocation. Thank you for your participation in this important campaign.

Diocesan Pastoral plan 2026 to 2030 called “GO MAKE DISCIPLES.”

Encounter discipleship and Mission

We hope to begin our response after Easter!

A Beginning: Where are we as a Parish? Where would we like be?

For all Parishioners 6 May 2026 7.30pm in Octagonal Hall;

We had our first meeting with representatives from Parish Groups. Areas highlighted were communication church access, welcome of new people, youth were amongst many areas that came up.

Please take a summary of the Plan and Prayer card or see all the resources at <https://gomakedisciples.uk/> Please pray for the Good of our Parish



FUNERAL: Peter Quintiliani died on 11th April . His funeral Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday 6th May 2026 at 12 noon. May he rest in peace.

Celebrate Trust is excited to announce two **WEBINARS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS OF TEENAGERS**. Bringing up young people in today's world can be both a joyful and challenging experience, so the Celebrate Trust has booked some experts to share their wisdom in two webinars, to help parents and carers gain confidence and provide some practical ideas to support at home.

- **Confident parenting in a world of screens** Wednesday 29th April, 8.00pm
- **Raising teenagers in a Catholic family** Tuesday 2nd June, 8.00pm

To book a place, visit www.celebratetrust.org/faith-parenting

Young adults aged 18–35 are invited to join a special overnight **PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM** (Saturday 20th to Sunday 21st June), taking place alongside the annual diocesan pilgrimage, with dedicated time, space and community for young adults. Staying at Elmham House (half board) pilgrims will share in the wider celebrations while also enjoying moments specifically for the young adult community and encounter. For any questions, contact Charles Archer, Young Adult Ministry Lead charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk Bookings at www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/walsingham-2026

See also **CELEBRATE FESTIVAL: “let there be light”**: Worth School, West Sussex, 15-19 August 2026 You are invited to a relaxed, fun, faith time away as an individual, a family or a Parish community! We would love to recommend the CELEBRATE festival to you this summer, in the beautiful West Sussex countryside. It's going to be a fun, family and faith-led event with a Festival Big Top! There will be 8 children's and youth groups for all ages from babies in the creche to the Joel's Bar youth (18- 24 years). There's on-site full board accommodation OR camping on the festival field. Come individually, as a family, OR as a parish group! Amazing speakers, to include Fr Roberto Pasolini, the Papal Preacher! Johannes Hartl, Catholic theologian and David Wells. See For more information and to book www.celebratetrust.org/festival



Between **Saturday 16th and Saturday 23rd May** the Jesuit Institute is holding a 6-day online **RETREAT IN THE LEAD UP TO PENTECOST**, offering an opportunity to spend more time with God and listen to how God is at work in the everyday lives of those taking part. For details, and to book, visit:

www.jesuitinstitute.org/events/online-individually-guided-retreat---pentecost

Come away with your spouse and pray ... Get away from the bustle of everyday life. Give your spouse the gift of time – to deepen your love in Christ. A **RETREAT FOR MARRIED COUPLES** is being held at the Carmelite Priory, Oxford, between **Friday 19th and Sunday 21st June**. You and your spouse will learn about Saint John Paul II's Rule for Married Couples and experience the deep spiritual union, available in sacramental marriage! To book, visit: www.wojtylaci.com/marriage-retreats-events/marriage-retreat-at-boars-hill-carmelite-priory-outside-oxford

RED BOXES and ADC: Hello Everyone. Just to thank you so much yet again for supporting our efforts to help the poor in our world through Missio and ADC.

Yet another reminder that it is time for your **Red Box to be emptied**. It is amazing that you are still able to find loose change to fill your boxes!! So many thanks for doing so. Please leave your box in the Sacristy or hand it to Fr Chris or to Bob and Chris Shepherd and it will be returned shortly afterwards to the table in the Cloister

ADC: We continue to donate money to Father Ed, Father John, Aid for Chad, Water for Kids and the Philippines School Project because of your generosity - either through our White Envelope Scheme - or by donating goods for us to sell. We are still being asked for children's clothes and toys to send to the Gambia and to the Philippines so if you are clearing out your wardrobes and have surplus or out grown baby /children's items, please remember ADC and leave your unwanted items in our box under the table on the Cloister. It means so very much to those who have so very little.

Most sincere thanks again for enabling us to support those in greatest need.

From relationships that are 'Just in a Rut', needing some refreshment or more serious issues - If you are open to try again – **RETROUVAILE** could be the solution. We have helped thousands of couples get their relationship back on track as they rediscovered hope and trust in the marriage. To find out more, visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk or telephone 07973 380443