

**RED BOXES:** How time flies by! It is time once again for the emptying of the Missio Red Boxes. We are so grateful for your continuing support for the Missions. It really is true that if you look after the pennies, the pounds will look after themselves! Our Parish has continued to do this in a very generous way. Could you please leave your box in the Sacristy or hand it to Father Chris or Bob and Chris Shepherd and we will return it to the table in the cloister shortly afterwards.

**A Journey through Advent with Fr John Farrell OP** Using the daily lectionary readings at mass to guide us through the Advent Season. **Saturday December 6<sup>th</sup>, Saturday December 13<sup>th</sup>, Saturday December 20<sup>th</sup>.** 9.30am (coffee) to 12.30pm (when we share a light lunch together.)

There are no charges, but voluntary donations to defer expenses may be given. The meetings will be held in in the Catholic Church Hall in Market Harborough

**HARBOROUGH CHRISTIAN COUNSELLING SERVICE (The Bower House)** would really like to hear from you if... you would like to volunteer as a support worker you are a professional counselor or clinical supervisor you have an interest in fundraising or have other skills you'd like to offer. Build your CV, use your skills to help others and be part of a supportive community! Find out more at: [bowerhousecounselling.org](http://bowerhousecounselling.org) (01858) 469257 We look forward to hearing from you!

**BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD** a three-days' retreat led by Father Roger Dawson SJ, aiming to help participants find a greater attentiveness and disposition to God's presence in their lives through a disciplining of the mind and awareness of the present moment. The retreat will be held between **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> and Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November**, at the Christian Heritage Centre, Lancashire. More details can be found at: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/be-still-and-know-that-i-am-god>

**DOMINICAN YOUNG ADULTS STUDY DAY – Dragons, Beasts, & Visions: Understanding Biblical Apocalyptic** - A day for students and young adults (20s & 30s) exploring the Apocalyptic literature in the Bible, at The Frassati Centre, Leicester LE1 6HW, from 10.00am-4.30pm on **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November**. There is no cost to attend but please register. More information and registration details can be found at: [www.english.op.org/godzdogz/dya-study-day-dragons-beasts-and-visions/](http://www.english.op.org/godzdogz/dya-study-day-dragons-beasts-and-visions/)

<u>OCT/NOVEMBER</u>	EUCCHARISTIC	MINISTERS		
	6 p.m.	10 a.m.		
25/26 October	B Mugoni	K Crawford	P Green	W Kwacz
1/2 November	B O'Malley	S McGlone	C McInnes	J O'Leary

READERS			
	<b>Sat. 6.00pm</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>10.00am</b>
25/25 October	M Mihovilovic	M Blake	M Douglas
1/2 November	M Atkins	R van der Liet	C Sellechia



# Our Lady of Victories

Market Harborough

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26<sup>th</sup> October 2025  
30<sup>th</sup> Week of Ordinary Time  
Psalter Week 2

## TIMES OF SERVICES

### SUNDAY: 30th of Ordinary Time

6.00pm Mass: People of the Parish  
10.00am Mass: Bill Kerr RIP (Goddard)  
*Coffee after Mass*  
4.30pm: Rosary outside church

### MONDAY: Feria

10.00am: Funeral Mass: Anne Worthington

### TUESDAY: Sts Simon & Jude, Apostles

9.00am Mass: Personal Int

### WEDNESDAY: Feria

9.45am: Morning Prayer  
10.00am Mass: Sr Regina Ruane 90th Birthday  
11.30am: Funeral: Jim Armstrong at Great Glen Crematorium

### THURSDAY: Feria

9.40am: Rosary  
10.00am Mass: Mary Cooper RIP (Catenians)  
*Coffee after Mass*  
7.00pm: Holy Hour

### FRIDAY: Feria

10.00am Mass: David O'Brien recovery (MHET) school will join us for Mass to celebrate all the Saints

### SATURDAY: Feria

6.00pm Mass: Mike Hepple RIP Anniv (Eileen)- School Mass

### SUNDAY: 31th of Ordinary Time

10.00am Mass: People of the Parish  
*Coffee after Mass*



*The publican went home at rights with God; the pharisee did not.*

**CONFESSIONS**  
**Sat 11 am**  
**5.15am**

**FR CHRIS WRITES: 'Missionaries Of Hope Among All Peoples':** Thank you for your donations to the World Mission Sunday appeal (£203.35). Your prayers and support will help missionaries work alongside communities worldwide, regardless of background or belief. Please continue to pray for all who share the love and hope of Christ with our sisters and brothers in need throughout the world. To support mission year-round, visit [missio.org.uk](http://missio.org.uk) or call 020 7821 9755 (office hours).

We have several funerals:

**Anne Worthington's** funeral will be on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October at 10.00am.

**Jim Armstrong's** funeral will be on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> October at 11.30am at Great Glen Crematorium

**Shaun Curran's** funeral will be on Thursday 13 November 10.00am.

**Helen Mary Hardwick's** funeral will be held on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November at 10.00am.

May they all rest in peace.

Also **Fr Jim Lynch** funeral details are as follows: Reception and Vigil Mass, Saint Mary's Church, Derby, 6pm, **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November**. Requiem Mass, Saint Mary's Church, Derby, 11am, **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November**

**THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS TO**

**CAFOD's FAMILY FAST DAY** of £915. Your support of this Harvest will help more communities have better access to safe water. You can read more about Ware's story here: [www.cafod.org.uk/harvest](http://www.cafod.org.uk/harvest)



**WHAT A CATHOLIC BELIEVES AND WHY: Continues Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October 7.15pm**

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](mailto:green853@btinternet.com))

After our Meeting **we now have times and dates:**

Course: Evangelium (Catholic Truth Society):

Day of meeting: **TUESDAY**

Times: Assemble 7.15pm (coffee/tea,) Start 7.30pm (prompt): Finish 8.45 (prompt)

Commencement: **TUESDAY 14<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER**. Length of Course: Weekly meetings from October 2025 to March 2026 (inclusive) **NB:** Adjustments will be made as and when necessary.

**NOVEMBER DEAD LIST:** The Catholic Tradition of praying for the Holy Souls, particularly our own departed family and friends, takes on a special focus in November. During this month and during the rest of the year Masses will be offered with this intention in mind. If you would like to make a list of your deceased loved ones, it will be placed near the Altar during our November Masses. An offering is given and a series of Masses are offered for all our dead Loved ones in November and throughout the year. **Forms & Envelopes are available as you leave Church.**



Come & visit our New Look

# CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

## Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2025

Church Rooms & Octagonal Hall

We are looking for donations please:  
No White Elephant Stall this year. Instead there will be three exciting 'Vintage' stalls, each in a different room.

Donations of **good quality, pre-loved items** that can be displayed on a table top. Preserves, Bottles, Books, Wines & Spirits, CD's & DVD's, Cakes etc etc.

(Please: No Electricals, Clothes or Cycles etc).

### A new look Bazaar this year

**STALLS – GAMES – FACE PAINTING – PERUVIAN GOODS  
SANTA – TOYS – HAMPERS – CHILDRENS CHOIR – GUITARIST  
CHRISTMAS TREE COMPETITION – PRIZE DRAW ETC ETC**

Kindly bring all your donated goods into the church cloister, weekdays or weekends, where they will be collected & sorted. Thank you for your generosity, it is appreciated. Enquiries: Alan Sear (Chairman) 07850-252064

**CHURCH FLOWER ROTA:** We are hoping to find someone who would be willing to organise the rota of volunteers who arrange flowers in church. If you can help please contact Pauline Bebb (07715624012) or Mary Penney (07790883361).

**WELCOMING THE SACRED STRANGER: Saturday 1 November, 11.45 a.m. – 3.45 p.m.**

The annual diocesan Justice and Peace Assembly Immaculate Conception and St Norbert's, Spalding **Discover the people hidden in our midst** 11.45 a.m. Mass with Bishop Patrick McKinney 1.00 p.m. Lunch hosted by Project St Thomas 1.45 p.m. Hear stories of those touched by modern slavery and forced migration, and others unseen in both town and countryside - and help to shape action here in the diocese. All welcome. Find out more and book your place at [bit.ly/sacred-stranger](http://bit.ly/sacred-stranger) or scan the code.



**ADC:** Just a quick update as we continue to help the poor and underprivileged in our world and to thank you most sincerely for your generous donations through our White Envelope Scheme and with your contributions of goods, books and clothes. As well as raising funds for our charity through EBay selling, we are now sending clothes and household goods to the Philippines and the Gambia, and items for babies and toddlers to an orphanage in Senegal. None of this would be possible without your help so please, please continue to leave your unwanted or surplus clothing and goods in the cloister so that we are able to make life just a little bit better for those who have so very little. Heartfelt appreciation for all that you do to enable ADC to support Father John, Water for Kids, Aid for Chad and Peru and The Philippines Schools Project. Thank you so very much.