

*The Catholic Community of  
Central Nottingham  
St Barnabas Cathedral  
Derby Road  
and  
St Augustine of England  
Woodborough Road*



**Welcome to all our visitors at  
St Barnabas Cathedral and St Augustine of England**

*FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT*

*Saturday 1st December ~ Sunday 9th December 2018*

*Psalter Week I ~ Sundays - Year C ~ Weekdays - Cycle I*

**Weekday Masses at The Cathedral:**

In addition to the 1pm weekday Mass, Mass will be celebrated each weekday in the Lady Chapel at 7.30am and at 6.15pm.

**Cathedral Repository** A large selection of Christmas cards, 2019 diaries, advent candles, traditional nativity scenes, and a large selection of faith gifts available to purchase from the Repository. Please feel free to browse and view catalogues for specific needs if item not available. *Thank you for your continual support, Cheryl.*

**Sunday Morning Tea & Coffee** Tea and Filter coffees will be served after the 8am, 10am & 11:15am Masses in the Cathedral Hall with bacon/sausage rolls, toasted crumpets and teacakes available after the 8am and 10am Masses.

**Prayers For Vocations** Saturday morning in the Cathedral Blessed Sacrament Chapel at 9.15am.

**Children's Liturgy** takes place at the Cathedral during the 10am Sunday Mass.

**Times of Confession**

Mon - Fri	Cathedral	12noon - 12.50pm
Saturday	St Augustine	5.15pm - 5.45pm
Saturday	Cathedral	10.30am - 12 noon 5.30pm - 6.15pm

**Weekly Exposition Times**

Thursday	Cathedral	12noon - 12.45pm
Thursday	St Augustine	After 10am Mass
Saturday	Cathedral	10.30am - 12 noon 5.00pm - 6.00pm

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*CATHEDRAL MASS TIMES FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT ~ Psalter Week I*

<b>Saturday</b> 1st December	<b>Vigil Mass</b>	6.30pm	
<b>Sunday</b> 2nd December	<b>First Sunday of Advent</b>	8am 10am 11.15am 6pm	
<b>Monday</b> 3rd December	<b>Saint Francis Xavier (Memorial)</b>	7.30am 1pm 6.15pm	
<b>Tuesday</b> 4th December	<b>Advent Feria or Saint John Damascene</b>	7.30am 11am 1pm 6.15pm	<b>Requiem ~</b>
<b>Wednesday</b> 5th December	<b>Advent Feria</b>	7.30am 10.30am 1pm 6.15pm	<b>Beeston Cemetery ~</b>
<b>Thursday</b> 6th December	<b>Advent Feria or Saint Nicholas</b>	7.30am 1pm 6.15pm	
<b>Friday</b> 7th December <i>First Friday</i>	<b>Saint Ambrose (Memorial)</b>	7.30am 12noon 1pm 6.15pm	<b>Exposition followed by Benediction</b>
<b>Saturday</b> 8th December	<b>Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Our Lady Vigil Mass</b>	9.15am 10am 6.30pm	<b>Prayer for Vocations</b>
<b>Sunday</b> 9th December	<b>First Sunday of Advent</b>	8am 10am 11.15am 6pm	

**Nottingham Diocesan Yearbooks**

Yearbooks for 2019 are now available from the Repository or from  
the Cathedral Office. Price: £3.50 each.

*ST AUGUSTINE'S MASS TIMES AND EVENTS FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
~ PSALTER WEEK I*

<b>Saturday</b> 1st December	<b>Vigil Mass</b>	<b>6pm</b>	
<b>Sunday</b> 2nd December	<b>First Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>11am</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b> 4th December	<b>Advent Feria or Saint John Damascene</b>	<b>10am</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b> 5th December	<b>Advent Feria</b>	<b>9am</b>	
<b>Thursday</b> 6th December	<b>Advent Feria or Saint Nicholas</b>	<b>10am</b>	
<b>Friday</b> 7th December	<b>Feast Ambrose (Memorial)</b>	<b>10am</b>	
<b>Saturday</b> 8th December	<b>Vigil Mass</b>	<b>6pm</b>	
<b>Sunday</b> 9th December	<b>Second Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>11am</b>	

**St Augustine's Cleaning Rota** More volunteers are needed for the church cleaning rota. Ideally we need a team of two people each week to clean the church on either Friday or Saturday before 4.30pm. Family teams are also welcome. We hope to have enough people to mean that you are only on the rota every 7 weeks. Many hands make light work!!!

**Christmas Cleaning** Please can we have volunteers to clean and polish the Church in readiness for Christmas! We will meet at Church at 10 am on Saturday 8th December. All welcome.

**Christmas Wreaths** This weekend we are handing out frames for the Christmas Wreaths to decorate the Church. Please decorate them and bring them back on the weekend of the 15th and 16th of December.

**Cake Stall** In addition to our usual cake stall this Sunday, we will have a bric-a-brac stall after the 11.00am Mass. Tea and coffee will be available as usual.

**Retreat Day** There will be a Retreat Day in preparation for Advent on Saturday 15th December. Please remember the Bishop's Pastoral letter to us with emphasis on ENCOUNTER and DISCIPLESHIP! This is a good opportunity for us to experience our encounter with Jesus & our personal relationship with Him as we prepare to meet again the Coming of the Christ-Child into our lives this Christmas and to prepare ourselves spiritually for His Special Coming.

**St Augustine's Shared Table and Tombola** Come and join us in the Church Hall, next Sunday after the 11am Mass, for a shared table and tombola. If you are able, please bring a contribution towards the food we will share, but if you can't do this, you are still very welcome. There will also be a Tombola lucky dip with lots of prizes to win. If you've been before you'll know how enjoyable this event is. If you haven't been before, come and find out for yourself!

***The Cathedral is a place for quiet prayer and reflection - all are most welcome to take advantage of this oasis of peace in our busy world.***

**Today:** The Church invites us today, on this First Sunday in Advent, to embark on a great journey – the journey of the Liturgical Year. It is a journey that sees us, setting out, to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. In the course of the year, the whole of his life and teaching will pass before us. We will re-visit all the mysteries of his time on earth: from his expectation (that is what Advent is about), to his birth, his life, death, resurrection, ascension into heaven, and his sending of the Holy Spirit. We will have lots of opportunities to ENCOUNTER him.

The mysteries of Christ's life are presented in such a way that we are drawn into them, and become participants in them. That makes it more demanding, but more enriching and exciting too. God is not just a God of the past, but of the present and the future too. Each year, we ought to hear the Christ story better, understand it more deeply, and make it more our own. In hearing his story, we ought to hear our own stories too: our stories ENCOUNTER his story – they merge – and are illuminated by it. His story enables us to live our own story more fully and more joyfully. Even though we've made the journey before, we must try to embark on it today, as if, for the very first time. Today is our God-given chance to make a new beginning and to ENCOUNTER Jesus in a new way by following him more closely.

A little story for today: One day a wise and learned rabbi turned to his pupils and asked: "How can you tell when the night is past and the day is on its way back again?" "When you see an animal in the distance, and you can tell whether it is a sheep or a goat," one replied. "When you see a tree in the distance, and you can tell whether it is a fig tree or a peach tree," another replied. "When you see a person in the distance, and you can tell whether it is a friend or an enemy," yet another replied. There was a number of other answers. But the rabbi was not impressed. Then his pupils pleaded with him, "Tell us what the answer is, rabbi." And he replied as follows: "It is when you can look at the face of any human being, and see there the face of a brother or sister, because if you cannot do this, then no matter what time of day it is, for you it is still night."

Wouldn't it be wonderful if at the end of this Advent I could truthfully say that, with God's help, I have left some form of darkness behind? That I have allowed the light of Christ to shine into some area of my life where darkness reigned, and because of this, I have been truly able to ENCOUNTER the Lord. (MB)

**Fr Jonathan Rose** on behalf of all from the University of Nottingham Catholic Chaplaincy, would like to thank the Cathedral Parishioners for the customary welcome which they received last Sunday evening on their annual visit to the 6.00pm Mass on The Feast of Christ The King. Fr Jonathan is particularly grateful to the Sacristans, Ushers and Music Department for their help and cooperation.

**Cathedral Readers** There are still a number of vacancies for readers, particularly at the 8.00am Mass where we urgently require four readers and one reader at the 6.00pm Mass. If you would like more information please contact Helen Auty on 0115 989 0651 or email: [helen-auty@hotmail.com](mailto:helen-auty@hotmail.com) or speak to one of the Clergy.

#### Parish Finances Last Week

	<b>St Augustine</b>	<b>Cathedral</b>	<b>Thank you for your generosity to the work of the Church! <i>In your Will, please remember your Church.</i></b>
Loose Plate	£ 142.00	£ 1,263.15	
Envelopes	£ 268.55	£ 772.53	
S/Orders	£ 160.20	£ 707.68	
Total	£ 570.75	£ 2,743.36	

#### **Second Collection**

There will be a second collection after all Masses next weekend in respect of Christmas Flowers.

**Cathedral Tour Guides (Voluntary)** With 2019 being the 175th Anniversary of the Consecration of the Cathedral, we are expecting an increase in the number of requests for a Guided Tour of the Cathedral. We are seeking to increase the number of volunteers who can act as a Cathedral Guide, so that this important ministry can continue. If you are able and willing to help with this, then please contact the Cathedral Office on 9539 839, Extension 7, so that we can look at some training.

**Scriptural Rosary** Having difficulty praying the Rosary? It is a struggle; I have problems concentrating; It is boring/repetitive; I don't get anything out of it. Why not join us on Friday evenings after 6.15pm Mass (or 6.30pm in Our Lady's Chapel for Compline and Rosary, if there is no Mass), and discover a different way of praying the Rosary. All are most welcome.

**RCIC** The RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation for Children) meets each Monday evening at 5pm in the Ellis Room and there is still time if you wish your child to join the group. The RCIC is a program for children age 7 years to 15 years who have not been baptised and is open to both parishioners and non-parishioners who wish to prepare for the Sacraments. Whether your family is just entering the church, is returning after time away, have decided as a family to delay the children's sacramental preparation, or any other circumstance, all are welcome. Contact the Office for more information.

**Mass Intentions** A selection of Mass Intention Cards are available from Cathedral House. **The suggested minimum donation for each Mass requested is £10.00.** Please pass your intention to a member of the Clergy or to the Cathedral Office. Mass Intentions Envelopes are available at the back of all our Churches - if you are struggling to find a gift, why not consider having a Mass said for someone this Christmas?

### Prayer for the Sick

Father, your Son accepted our sufferings  
to teach us the virtue of patience in human illness.  
Hear the prayers we offer for our sick brethren.  
May all who suffer pain, illness or disease  
realize that they have been chosen to be saints  
and know that they are joined to Christ  
in his suffering for the salvation of the world.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

### Events This Week At The Cathedral

Vespers	Lady Chapel	Sunday 6.45pm following Mass
RCIC	Ellis Room	Monday 5pm
Compline	Cathedral (Mon/Weds/Fri)	6.45pm (After 6.15pm Mass)
Journey of Faith	McMahon Room	Monday 7pm
Bible Reflection	Ellis Room	Thursday 6pm
Christmas Mini Market	McMahon Room	Friday 11am
Women of St Barnabas	Ellis Room	Friday 1.45pm
Music Theory	McGuinness Room	Friday 5pm
Youth Choir	McMahon Room	Friday 6pm
Cathedral Choir	McMahon Room	Friday 7.30pm

**Confession Times During Advent** As usual during Advent there will be extra opportunities to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation at The Cathedral. Monday to Friday each weekday from 12 noon to 12.50pm.

**Advent Reconciliation Services with Confessions** will be taking place at 7.30pm at the following Parishes:-

- Monday 17th December ~ Holy Spirit, West Bridgford
- Tuesday 18th December ~ St Anne's, Radcliffe on Trent
- Wednesday 19th December ~ Sacred Heart, Carlton
- Thursday 20th December ~ Good Shepherd, Arnold

***Several Priests will be available for Confession.***

**Christmas Mini Market ~ on Friday 7th December from 11.00am onwards** Light lunches and refreshments will be served on Friday 7th December from 11am in the Cathedral Hall. There will be a Craft Stall and Cake Stall and the Repository will be open selling a variety of Christmas Cards and other Christmas items. We will be having a Tombola so any unwanted items that we could use as prizes would be greatly appreciated: wine, chocolates, gloves, gift sets etc. Any donations of cakes, home baked or otherwise would be gratefully received. Offers of help would also be appreciated. Please mark all donations for the attention of Valerie Black.

**Cake Stall and Door Wreaths** There will be a Cake Stall in the Cathedral Hall today (Sunday) following the 10am and 11.15am Masses. Christmas Door Wreaths will also be available for a donation and all proceeds will go towards the Restoration Fund. All welcome.

**Rainbows Christmas Concert ~ 10th December 2018 at 7pm** Rainbows is a Hospice for children and young people and they are holding an evening of festive music at the Cathedral. Tickets are £6.00 and refreshments are available. Tickets are available via the website: [rainbows.co.uk/Christmas](http://rainbows.co.uk/Christmas), from the performers or telephone Rainbows on 01509 638 000.

**Maggie's Carol Concert ~ 13th December at 6.30pm** An evening of carols, music and readings will be hosted by TV and radio broadcaster John Hess. Mirabilé – a Nottingham-based Vocal Ensemble & “Best Female Choir winners - Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod” will perform some festive favourites as well as some contemporary pieces. We are also delighted to be joined this year by Clare Bhabra and Deirdre Benschik from Sinfonia Viva along with Aurora starring Will Bracha. Interval refreshments will be served in the community hall and there will be a Christmas raffle to raise funds for Maggie's Nottingham. Tickets cost: £10. Buy tickets here: <https://www.maggiescentres.org/how-you-can-help/take-part/all-events/christmas-carol-concert-notts-2018/>

**Carols by Candlelight ~ 14th December at 7pm** You are warmly invited to join us for Carols by Candlelight at St Barnabas Cathedral. Escape the hustle and bustle of the pre-Christmas season with an evening of traditional carols and readings in the beautiful setting of Nottingham's Pugin-designed Cathedral, featuring our Cathedral Choirs and the dazzling Essentially Brass! FREE ADMISSION with a retiring collection for the Cathedral Music Fund.

**The Handmaids of the Sacred Heart** May the joy and blessings of Christmas stay with you all through the year. Many thanks to all those who have donated postage stamps during the past year. Please carry on donating.

**Please note the new email address for the Cathedral is: [stbarnabasnottingham@gmail.com](mailto:stbarnabasnottingham@gmail.com)**

**A Crib for Christmas?** Bishop Patrick was encouraging us in his recent Pastoral Letter to use the time of Advent & Christmas as an opportunity for us to ENCOUNTER afresh, the amazing love of God, our Father, in sending us, the Gift of his Son Jesus: and to ponder again on Mary's openness to receiving that love. (PL: Nov 2018)

If you don't have a crib for Christmas then now might be a good time to think about having one. We could have it there in our homes, for the crib scene is a great gift for us to draw upon. How can we use this, to help people, ENCOUNTER Christ? Well, parishioners could take home a piece of straw from the Church scene to their own crib and in this way, they would unite their crib, to that of the Cathedral. We could prepare a little prayer and have it written beside the crib scene – and use that place as our place of prayer, first thing in the morning and maybe last thing at night. Maybe something like this: We read in St John's Gospel: "The Word was the real light that gives light to everyone; he was coming into the world, from his fullness, we have, all of us, received" (St John 1:9.16). The prayer: "May our Advent be a time of preparation so that our hearts are touched with the warmth of your love. May our minds and our hearts be brightened to be steadfast in faith, joyful in hope and untiring in love so that we may be ready again, to receive in true peace, Jesus, the Light of the World. Amen". |(MB)

**Women of St Barnabas** The next meeting will take place on Friday 7th December in the Ellis Room at 1.45pm. You are most welcome to come along and join our helper's group.

**Cathedral Choirs Tour to Lourdes & Paris: 15 July - 21 July 2019** In celebration of the Cathedral's 175th Anniversary, our Youth Choir will be joining our Cathedral Choir to lead the music in the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes in July 2019. As well as playing a key role in the liturgies in Lourdes itself, the choirs will be giving concerts in the local region and visit Paris on their return journey for two Masses: Saturday 20 July 2019, 6pm Mass at Saint-Eustache Cathedral, Paris and Sunday 21 July 2019, 11.30am Mass at Notre-Dame Cathedral, Paris. If you are interested in supporting the fundraising efforts in making this happen, please contact Alex Patterson ([alexpattersonmusic@gmail.com](mailto:alexpattersonmusic@gmail.com) / 07792618634).

**Financial Support for Inter Care** Bishop Patrick is a Patron of Inter Care, a charity based in Leicestershire, which sends essential medical supplies, free of charge, to 105 Health units run by female Catholic Religious Congregations in some of the poorest rural parts of Africa. This close working relationship with these Religious Congregations, who work on the ground and know the people, helps ensure that the medical supplies can be given to some of the most disadvantaged children and adults of all faiths or none. Whilst Inter Care receives a lot of donated medical supplies, it continues to need more money to pay the increased shipping costs. If you are willing to donate to Inter Care as part of the 'Big Give Christmas Challenge' which runs from now to 12pm on Friday 7th December, all donations made online during this short period will be doubled! Inter Care's unique reference number is 30379 and unique project URL: <https://secure.thebiggive.org.uk/projects/30379>

**Young Adults Group** will be having regular drinks after the Sunday 6pm Mass. All young adults are welcome to join us at 7.15pm outside the Derby Road entrance to the Cathedral. Any questions contact Beth on 07725 408382.

**Exposition takes place on the First Friday of the month at 12noon to 12.45pm followed by Benediction in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.**

# Contact us...

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## Parish Clergy

Rev Fr Biju Joseph ~ Ext. 8

Rev Fr Marcus Wakely ~ Ext. 5

Rev Fr John Alex ~ Ext. 4

Rev Fr Malachy Brett (Cathedral Dean and Parish Priest) ~ Ext. 3

*Note: To leave a message, wait for 'ten' rings and follow the instructions given.*

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Rev David Kerry ~ 07952 103981 (The Cathedral)

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## Director of Music

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**Information** The Cathedral is open from 7.00am Sunday to Friday and Holydays,  
and from 8.00am on Saturdays.

For Mass & Confession Times ~ Ext. 1 Holy Day Mass Times ~ Ext. 2

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