

*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

*FOURTH WEEK OF ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS  
Saturday 22nd December ~ Sunday 30th December 2018  
Psalter Week IV ~ Sundays - Year C ~ Weekdays - Cycle I*

**Weekday Masses at The Cathedral:**

The usual 1pm Mass will take place on Christmas Eve and also on Thursday and Friday. In addition to these Masses, Mass will be celebrated in the Lady Chapel at 7.30am on Monday.

On Wednesday 26th December, St Stephen's Day Mass will be celebrated at 10.30am. This Mass is especially for the Altar Servers of both our parishes and we would encourage them and their families to come along this day.

**Christmas Greetings**

Bishop Patrick together with Frs. Biju, Marcus, John, Jonathan and Malachy extend to all who worship in either of our Churches, every Good Wish of this Holy Season and throughout the New Year.

***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.***

**Times of Confession**

Tues - Fri	Cathedral	12.15pm - 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 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT ~ Psalter Week IV*

Saturday 22nd December	Vigil Mass	6.30pm	
Sunday 23rd December	Fourth Sunday of Advent	8am 10am 11.15am 6pm	
Monday 24th December	Advent Feria  <i>Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of the Nativity Of The Lord</i>  Vigil of Readings and Midnight Mass	7.30am 1pm 6pm  11.30pm	
Tuesday 25th December	<i>Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord</i>	8am 10am 11.15am	
Wednesday 26th December	Feast of Saint Stephen	10.30am	
Thursday 27th December	Feast of Saint John	1pm  6pm	
Friday 28th December	Feast of the Holy Innocents	11am 1pm	
Saturday 29th December	Feast of Saint Thomas of Canterbury  Vigil Mass	9.15am 10am 1pm 6.30pm	<i>Prayer for Vocations</i>  <i>Baptism ~</i>
Sunday 30th December	Feast of the Holy Family	8am 10am 11.15am  6pm	

**Be Merciful Website** Check out the Website. This has been updated and has events and resources for Faith Formation in the Diocese of Nottingham: <https://www.bemerciful.co.uk/>

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

Saturday 22nd December	Vigil Mass	6pm	
Sunday 23rd December	Fourth Sunday of Advent	11am 1pm	Baptism ~
Monday 24th December	<i>Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of the Nativity Of The Lord</i> Midnight Mass	5pm 12am	
Tuesday 25th December	<i>Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord</i>	10am	
Wednesday 26th December	Feast of Saint Stephen		<b>'NO MASS TODAY'</b>
Thursday 27th December	Feast of Saint John	10am	
Friday 28th December	Feast of the Holy Innocents	9.30am	
Saturday 29th December	Vigil Mass	6pm	
Sunday 30th December	Feast of the Holy Family	11am 2pm	African Community

**St Augustine's Vigil Mass Monday 24th December at 5.00pm** We would like to invite the children to come to this Mass dressed as a Christmas Character e.g. Mary, Joseph, Angels, Star, Shepherds, Innkeepers, Donkey, Sheep and Animals, to share in the celebration.

**St Augustine's Christmas Tree** Once again, thank you to Thompson Brothers Greengrocers of Haydn Road for the donation of the beautiful Christmas Tree. Your generosity is much appreciated.

**Please note that Mass at St Augustine's  
on Friday 28th December will be at 9.30am.**

**Remembering the Church** If you would be kind enough to consider a legacy to the Church in your Will, it is a tax advantage as a Charity. The recommended form of legacy is as follows: "I GIVE free of tax the sum of (insert the amount you wish to give here or the percentage of your residuary estate) to NOTTINGHAM ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESAN TRUSTEES (Charity Number 1134449) of Willson House, 25 Derby Road, Nottingham. NG1 5AW, generally without imposing any binding trust or legal obligation but with the wish that it be used for (insert here Parish name or "the General Purposes of the Charity" or one of the Special Funds or associated charities below) AND I DECLARE that the receipt of the Financial Secretary or other proper officer for the time being of the said charity shall be a sufficient discharge to my Trustees."

**Today:** Today's gospel contains a simple but beautiful story – before Jesus comes to the rest of the world at Christmas, Elizabeth has the extraordinary privilege of having him come to her. This is Elizabeth's Christmas Day, and, of course, once again, Mary is instrumental in that happening.

Today's gospel marks the beginning of a new way of being a pilgrim people. In the words of the song, from now on, "You'll never walk alone" anymore. Like Mary, I, too, can bring Jesus into every situation I enter. "I will never abandon you.... I will not leave you in the midst of the storm .... I will be with you always..." Incarnation is not a once-off event, but is repeated again and again within the heart of every Christian. Like Mary, once I say my "YES," the Holy Spirit comes upon me, the power of the Most High overshadows me, and the one who becomes incarnate within me is the Son of God.

Today's gospel just stops short of the Magnificat, which was Mary's response to the greeting of Elizabeth. To magnify the Lord is to make him bigger. The bigger your God, the smaller your problems. Some people have a very small God, because they seem to have mighty problems. Mary had a clear vision of the width of the gap between herself and God. "He that is mighty has done this great thing for me .... He raised up the lowly...." It is a special grace to know my place before God.

The journey of Mary to visit Elizabeth is one of the symbolic journeys in the gospel. It is the life of the Christian in summary. This can become part of my prayer, as I set out each day. I can offer myself as someone who is willing, and who wants to bring Jesus to others. My prayer could be, "Lord, may your presence within me today touch the hearts of those I meet, either through the words I say, the prayers I pray, and the life I live, or the very person I am." (MB)

**Episcopal Masses** Bishop Patrick will be celebrating Midnight Mass and also the 8am Mass on Christmas Day. It will be lovely to have Bishop Patrick amongst us.

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

**To all** who have helped to make our Advent so wonderful and for those who have helped with our Christmas preparations: we would like to express a huge "THANK YOU". We, as a community, are most fortunate to have such a vast range of people – all helping, working, encouraging and supporting each other to build community. In the past week, in particular, it has been a delight to see many people coming together in so many varied ways. Thanks to all and well done.

**Christmas Offering** In anticipation of your generosity, we thank you for your Christmas Offerings. The collection taken on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day is your offering to the Parish Clergy. Likewise we thank you for all the Christmas cards and gifts which were handed in to Cathedral House.

**Cathedral Crib** Please do take time over the Christmas period to visit the Crib in the Cathedral and St Augustine's. Please note the container of Holy Water has been moved to the Unity Chapel.

Parish Finances Last Week

	St Augustine	Cathedral	Thank you for your generosity to the work of the Church! <i>In your Will, please remember your Church.</i>
Loose Plate	£ 251.88	£ 1,085.85	
Envelopes	£ 75.00	£ 675.52	
S/Orders	<u>£ 160.20</u>	<u>£ 707.68</u>	
Total	£ 487.08	£ 2,469.05	

**Last weekend's  
Second Collection  
in respect of  
Poor and Needy  
Parishes:**

The Cathedral: £737.06  
St Augustine's: £150.57

**Ordinations for the Diocese of Nottingham:** Please remember in your prayers all our seminarians who will be ordained soon, we particularly remember Deacon Paul Smith who will be ordained to the priesthood at St Barnabas Cathedral on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> January at 11.30am.

**Cathedral First Confession/First Holy Communion and Confirmation Classes 2019**  
Classes for First Confession/First Holy Communion for children in School Year 3 or above, and Confirmation for children in School Year 8 and above will start early next year. All children who would like to receive these Sacraments are welcome regardless of what school they attend. We are looking forward to meeting and helping you take your next important steps in the Catholic faith. Please contact Alison at the Cathedral Office or Barbara McDonagh on 07786 891993 for more details or to register for the course.

**Baptism Course** The dates for the next Baptism Course have been set for: - 9th and 16th February 2019. The sessions will start at 10.30am to 12.00noon and will be held in the Cathedral Hall. Parents or expectant parents wishing their child to be baptised are asked to complete and return to Cathedral House a Baptism Application Form as soon as possible. This course is designed for parents of children up to the age of 6 years only.

**Fraternal Day ~ Catholic Man UK**, is a network building Catholic fraternity across the UK, invites men from the Diocese looking to grow in formation, fortitude, fraternity and faith to join the first regional Fraternal Day on Saturday 12th January 2019 (9am-3.30pm) at Mount Saint Bernard Abbey, Oaks Rd, Coalville, LE67 5UL. The day will include an introduction to Catholic Man UK, Mass, Holy Hour with Confession and Rosary, a talk by Dom Erik Varden OCSO: 'Lessons from Monastic Life for Men in the World,' tour of the Abbey, beer tasting and fraternal time. The cost for the day is £15, including refreshments, light lunch and a bottle of the Abbey's Tynt Meadow beer. Places must be booked in advance and places are limited so book early to avoid disappointment! For information or to book email: [nottingham@catholicman.uk](mailto:nottingham@catholicman.uk)

**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.

**Missio Boxes** All boxes have now been emptied and are available for collection from the Sacristy. If you have handed one in, please collect it as soon as possible as they are taking up valuable room. Thank you.

### **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.

### **Tuesday 1st January 2019 ~ New Year's Day Solemnity of Mary Mother of God**

At the beginning of the New Year the Clergy extend to all parishioners and visitors to our churches every good wish and blessing for the coming Year.

**Christmas Clean of the Cathedral** Sincere thanks to the 'very few' who came to help. God bless all. *Charles and Anthony.*

**Cathedral Repository** will be closed on Sunday 30th December and Sunday 6th January. It will re-open on the 13th January.

**Reconciliation Services with Confessions** There will be a Reconciliation Service today (Sunday) at *St Francis of Assisi, Long Eaton at 3pm.* *Several Priests will be available for Confession.*

**Silent Night** This Christmas Eve, marks 200 years since the carol "Silent Night" was first performed in the Church of St Nicholas in Obendorf, Austria. The words were a poem written by Father Joseph Mohr, and put to music by his friend Franz Gruber, the parish organist and choir master. It was the first carol sung during the 1914 Christmas Truce in the trenches, and has been translated into almost every language in the world. There are some commemorative prayer cards at the crib.

**The Journey of Faith** has now finished for Christmas and will restart on Monday 7th January 2019 at 7pm. We wish everyone a very Happy Christmas and encourage you all to make it a Holy and Special Christmas this year by attending one of the Masses on Christmas Day, especially the Vigil of Readings and Midnight Mass.

**Friday Lunches** Please note that Friday Lunches **will not** be taking place on the First Friday in January.

**Bible Reflection Group** has now finished until the 10th January.

**Women of St Barnabas** The next meeting will take place on Friday 4th January in the Ellis Room at 1.45pm. All new members welcome.

**Holocaust Memorial Day 2019** takes place at the Nottingham Council House on Sunday 27th January from 2.30pm to 4.30pm. Light refreshments will be offered after the Service. All welcome.

**Cathedral Choirs Tour to Lourdes & Paris:** 15th July - 21st 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 20th July 2019, 6pm Mass at Saint-Eustache, Paris and Sunday 21st 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).

**Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes and Nevers** by Coach June 15th – June 22nd 2019 The cost is £565 per person. The price includes Coach and Ferry travel, overnight stay with Bed and Breakfast at the Welcome Break hotel in Orleans on the way out, full board at the Hotel Irlande in Lourdes, half board at the Kyriad Hotel in Nevers on the way back. In addition to this there's an optional excursion to Gavarnie, a Ski resort in the Pyrenees.

**Parish Pilgrimage to Lisieux** by Coach April 1st – 5th 2019 The cost of the Pilgrimage is £345. Next year's pilgrimage is a day longer than in recent years as we will begin travelling to Alencon to visit and have Mass at the place that St Therese was born. We will then follow in her footsteps with a guided visit to the Cathedral in Lisieux, to the Basilica dedicated to St Therese, to the house where she grew up and to the museum and to the Carmel where she lived and died. For more info on both pilgrimages see Fr. John McCay. Telephone: 0115 981 0320.



# 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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**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

Office Hours ~ Mondays to Fridays 9.00am - 5.00pm

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