

*Welcome to the  
Catholic Community  
of Central Nottingham*

PARISH BULLETIN  
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**St Barnabas  
Cathedral**  
Nottingham



**St Barnabas Cathedral is now open for  
Private Prayer and Public Mass.  
All advice given in this newsletter  
will be reviewed on a weekly basis.**

*Second Week of Christmastide*

*Saturday 2nd January 2021 to Sunday 10th January 2021*

*Psalter Week II ~ Sundays - Year B ~ Weekdays - Cycle I*

**Cathedral House, the Cathedral Office and Music Department are closed to members of the public. If you wish to have urgent contact with Canon Malachy or Fr Mathew, please telephone them on 0115 9539 839 and press the relevant extension number.**

**For all other enquiries please telephone the Cathedral Office and press extension 7.**

**At this time, if you wish to see one of the Clergy or arrange to receive the Sacrament of Confession, please telephone the office - entry to Cathedral House will be strictly by appointment only!**

**We appreciate your cooperation during this uncertain time. Thank you.**

#### **Happy New Year To All**

At the beginning of the New Year Bishop Patrick, Fr Mathew, Fr Marcus, Fr Jonathan and Canon Malachy extend to all parishioners and visitors to the Cathedral and all those streaming in, every good wish and blessing for the coming Year.

**Today:** Christmas is a time when we give gifts and send cards to people. True love, however, goes beyond the giving of gifts. It requires the giving of oneself. People want to share their lives – their hopes and frustrations, their joys and sorrows. It is not easy to be present like that. It calls for time, humility and love.

This is what God did for us in the Incarnation: 'The Word became flesh, and he lived among us.' And he came among us, not to judge us, but to save us. In Jesus' own words, he came 'that we might have life, and have it to the full.'

God has made himself present to us in the life of one, who walked on this earth, and who is like us in all things but sin. This is the essence of the Good News. It should be a cause of great joy for us – a joy that springs from the goodness of God in himself, and in the goodness, he has shown in his dealings with us. As we begin this New Year we can reflect on the mystery of God's love for us – and maybe, this will call us to try and do better (like our old school report). **(MB)**

**Feast of the Epiphany** The Feast of the manifestation, or Epiphany, is traditionally celebrated the 12th day after Christmas, January 6th. On this feast of the Epiphany we celebrate the revelation of who Christ is. The visit of the three wise men reminds us that Jesus came as the Saviour of all nations, including ours. The Epiphany celebrates God's revealing or manifesting of Jesus' identity as true God, Messiah, and Saviour of the world. It not only commemorates the fact that Jesus appeared to save us, but that God revealed the identity of Jesus to the world. The feast of Christ's divinity completes the feast of His humanity. It fulfils all our Advent longing for the King "who will come with great power and majesty." We see that whereas Christmas is the family feast of Christianity, Epiphany is the great "world feast of the Catholic Church."

**Please visit our Facebook page "St Barnabas Cathedral"  
or Twitter: @Cathedral\_Nottm or Cathedral Nottingham**

**This week Masses at the Cathedral will be Celebrated at the following times:**  
**All the Masses are being streamed and recorded via the Cathedral Streaming Service on the Cathedral website: [stbarnabascathedral.org.uk](http://stbarnabascathedral.org.uk)**

<b>Saturday 2nd January</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen</b>	Tony Wyer RIP
<b>Vigil</b>			Siobhan and Dan's Intentions
<b>Sunday 3rd January</b>	<b>8.00am</b>	<b>Second Sunday</b>	Nora and John McErlean's Intentions
	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>After Christmas</b>	John Herd RIP (1st Anniversary)
	<b>11.15am</b>		The People of the Parish
	<b>6.00pm</b>		Mary O'Loughlin
<b>Monday 4th January</b>	<b>1.00pm</b>	<b>Christmas Feria</b>	Elly William RIP Birthday Thanksgiving and God's Blessing Upon Kate and Ewera
<b>Tuesday 5th January</b>	<b>1.00pm</b>	<b>Christmas Feria</b>	Raymond Arthur Moore & Barry Wilson RIP Private Intention
<b>Wednesday 6th January</b>	<b>1.00pm</b>	<b>Solemnity of the</b>	Wiktor Lipski RIP
	<b>6.15pm</b>	<b>Epiphany of the Lord</b>	Private Intention
<b>Thursday 7th January</b>	<b>1.00pm</b>	<b>Thursday after Epiphany or Saint Raymond of Penyafort</b>	Alex Thoresen RIP Anthony O'Sullivan's Intentions
<b>Friday 8th January</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Friday after Epiphany</b>	Requiem ~ Alvin Anthony Fonseca (Danny)
	<b>1.00pm</b>		Maurice and Jennifer Hineson RIP John and Marian Ruane
<b>Saturday 9th January</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Saturday after Epiphany</b>	Connor Lynch
<b>Vigil</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>		MMCH Intentions
<b>Sunday 10th January</b>	<b>8.00am</b>	<b>The Feast of the</b>	People of the Parish
	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Baptism of the Lord</b>	My Daughter's "Birthday"
	<b>11.15am</b>		Mary Smith RIP
	<b>6.00pm</b>		Caroline's Intentions

**Prayers** Please pray for all the people of our parish. Many people are greatly in need of our prayers of support in this continued time of uncertainty, especially those who have no family to support them. We remember all those who are in hospital or are having treatment, those whose treatment has been cancelled or postponed due to the pandemic, and those who are in nursing homes or being cared for at home. We also remember those who have died recently, and all those whose anniversaries occur around this time. May they rest in peace.

**Christmas Offering** Thank you for your Christmas Offerings. The collections taken on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day were your offering to the Parish Clergy and forms the major part of their income for the coming year. Likewise we thank you for all the Christmas cards and gifts which were handed in to Cathedral House for both the Clergy and the Staff. Your generosity as always is greatly appreciated.

**Flower Arrangers** Thank you to all who helped decorate the Cathedral for Christmas and for those who gave Christmas decorations.

**Cathedral Crib** Please do take time over the Christmas period to visit the Crib in St Hugh's Chapel. Please follow the entry and exit signs to allow all parishioners to visit the Crib safely. All proceeds will be for Emmanuel House for the Homeless.

**The Journey of Faith and RCIC** are cancelled on a Monday evening for the foreseeable future. We will be in touch when further information is received to recommence the programmes.

**SPUC** the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children is, as usual, holding their White Flower Appeal in January. You can donate to their work at [www.spuc.org.uk/Donate](http://www.spuc.org.uk/Donate) or send a cheque to the following address: 'Freepost SPUC'. SPUC works to protect unborn babies and their mothers, and also the elderly, the disabled and the vulnerable at the end of life. Every penny raised will help to build a culture of life in our country. Please give generously.

**ACT NOW AND ASK YOUR MP TO OPPOSE INTRODUCING ASSISTED SUICIDE** The assisted suicide lobby have launched a large campaign to put pressure on the Government to reconsider the legalisation of assisted suicide. It is vital that it is clear to the Government that the public want them to continue to hold strong against this pressure from assisted suicide campaigners and reject their demands. Right To Life UK have set up an easy to use tool which will enable you to email your MP asking them to make it clear to the Government that it should not give into demands from the assisted suicide lobby to reconsider the legalisation of assisted suicide. It only takes 30 seconds to email your MP by visiting the link below: <https://righttolife.org.uk/StopAssistedSuicide>. – Daniel Turner: Right To Life UK

**Update on Covid-19 and Vaccination:** In September 2020 the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales issued a statement COVID-19 and Vaccination (24 September 2020). In the light of the recent breakthrough in vaccine development they have now issued a follow up statement (3rd December 2020) which can be found on the CBCEW website along with the original September statement. Link: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/our-work/health-social-care/coronavirus-guidelines/update-on-covid-19-and-vaccination/>

**Weddings 2021** Any couples who are hoping to get married this year at the Cathedral, are required in the first instance to make an appointment with the Cathedral Dean. Diocesan Law requires a minimum of six months notice prior to the wedding. This enables all the necessary arrangements and preparations to be made. All couples without exception have to attend the Marriage Preparation Course.

**Prayers For Vocations** take place on Saturday mornings at 9.15am. Stewards will be on hand to keep everyone safe. All are welcome.

## INFORMATION REGARDING PUBLIC WORSHIP AT THE CATHEDRAL

**Private prayer times are as follows:** The Cathedral is open for Private Prayer from 12noon - 2pm Monday to Friday, and 9.30am - 11.30am Saturday. There will be no private prayer on a Sunday.

**The Celebration of Mass:** Please book weekend Masses using the Diocesan booking system available at: [www.massbooking.uk](http://www.massbooking.uk) - you need to create an account; once created you can book your place at Mass for weekend Masses. The Masses are bookable on a 7-day cycle. **If you are not online you will need to telephone the Cathedral Office on 0115 9539839 - Extension 7 - Please try and call between Monday to Friday between the hours of 10am and 3pm to book a place - this number is for only people who wish to attend Mass at the Cathedral.** You will be required to wear a face mask to protect yourself and others. If you are extremely clinically vulnerable, then please continue to protect yourself by staying at home and praying for the parish community or accessing the Mass on live streaming. The Sunday obligation continues to be suspended, so if you are unsure about coming along, do not feel under any obligation to do so; and if you, or someone in your household, displays symptoms of Covid19, then please do stay at home.

**Please note: The maximum number of people allowed in the Cathedral for each Mass is 96 bookings. Only 2 are allowed in a pew or a 'bubble' from the same household.**

**Collections** No collection will take place during Mass but there are collection points at the entrance and exit of the Cathedral. On-line donations are the preferred method of giving if it is at all possible and information to donate this way can be found on the last page of this newsletter. We are very grateful for your continued financial support, we really appreciate it during these uncertain times.

**Distribution of Holy Communion:** Holy Communion will be given in the hand only and with the communicant standing. Both Priest and communicant should extend their arms fully to allow for social distancing. The Host is placed into the hand from just above the palm, so as to avoid physical contact, please make sure you consume the Host immediately.

**Feast of the Baptism of the Lord** Next weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Please pray for all those who have been baptized during the last 12 months into our Church Community. Pray for them and their families and may we all continue to receive the strength to bring the love and light of Jesus into our families, into our workplaces, our schools and to everyone we meet.

*'By your grace Lord, I have come to experience the gift of life you offer. Help me to remain free and faithful so that I may grow as a disciple of your message of love. I ask this with faith in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.'*

**Cathedral Repository** is now closed until Friday 5th February.

**Caritas Discovery ~ Building post-Covid parishes of welcome, listening and hope.**

**Prepare the Future** Thursday 7th January 2021 from 2pm to 3.30pm. Pope Francis likens the parish to a 'field hospital' and a 'sanctuary where the thirsty can come to drink'. With the vaccination a 'gamechanger', life will resume and such hospitality, radical but simple, will be sorely needed by everyone hurt by the pandemic. Our own parishes will be well placed to offer it - both to our own people and to the wider community. The first workshop of the New Year will help to start preparations to open up to such hospitality when the time is right. This workshop will enable you to learn how your parish could open a 'place of welcome', 'listening centre' or 'social befriending' to help local neighbours recover from the pandemic. All who would like to help our parishes lead the recovery can join via Zoom on Thursday 7th January 2021.

**Diaspora and Diversity ~ in the missionary parish** Thursday 14th January from 4.30pm to 6pm. As our shared ministry for social justice and charity, Caritas should reflect the rich diversity of our parishes. This workshop will begin to explore and share how we can ensure that all are welcome, whether to serve or be served.

**Journey in Hope ~ Patterns for action and contemplation** Wednesday 20th January from 10am to 11.30am. Let us ensure that everything we do together with Caritas springs from a generous and reflective spirituality, and nourishes us for more. We'll take time to discern what that might look like in practice, sharing ideas and sharing prayer.

**To book any of these events please visit the Diocese of Nottingham website and follow the links.**

**Hospitals:** A number of priests are still trying to maintain an 'on-call' rota for City and QMC. **This is strictly for calls for Anointing of the Sick when someone is nearing the end of their life.** The hospital will not call us out for a request for prayers or when someone has already died – these will be dealt with by a member of the chaplaincy team who may or may not be a Catholic minister. Families should not contact a priest direct to visit their loved one in hospital – all requests need to go through the ward and Chaplaincy Department. QMC 0115 9249924 ext 63799, City 0115 9691169.

## FAITH IN ACTION

**The Food Bank and Emmanuel House** Emmanuel House has ask that people donate via their Amazon Wishlist at: <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/11NR9ORNHDRER?&sort=default> This enables donations to be delivered directly to Emmanuel House, and there is nothing wasted. For people who cannot use the website, or do not want to donate via Amazon, please find below a list of current priority needs: **Fruit pots; Tinned fruit; Tinned meat (spam, corned beef, chicken); Rice pudding; Long-life milk; Bottled water; Crisps; Chocolate bars; Biscuits.** Regular deliveries will be starting again from Cathedral House from this Wednesday so please bring in any items you wish to donate to Cathedral House. Thank you for your continued support of Emmanuel House and the Food Bank.

**Easyfundraising** As more and more people are shopping on line during this uncertain time, please consider signing up to the Easyfundraising website and selecting St Barnabas Maintenance Fund as your chosen charity, a donation can be made every time we do online shopping at a large variety of websites including Tesco, Sainsbury's, Amazon or eBay. It is just a matter of "clicking-through" via the Easyfundraising website where a donation will be paid to the Cathedral on a quarterly basis. **Please do consider helping us raise money this way, especially if you are January sale shopping online.**

## **OFFERTORY & SPECIAL COLLECTIONS DURING THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS**

*We would like to once again thank all of you who have continued to contribute financially in support of the Cathedral. It has been very much appreciated. As you are aware, the Cathedral Parish always needs your continued support and especially at this time. Coronavirus has raised some very particular financial challenges for us. Not only do we have no plate and envelope collection but we cannot hire out our parish rooms either. We must, however, continue to pay for essentials such as our priests' living expenses, the upkeep of our buildings and other ongoing costs. Even though we now are able to celebrate Public Mass again, the donations kindly received from those attending Mass is still considerably down.*

*Of course, we realise that the current emergency is affecting many people's income and they may not be able to continue their level of giving. If this is the case, we fully understand, and our prayers are with you. If you currently pay by standing order, this will continue as usual unless you tell your bank to vary it.*

*If you usually give by envelope or loose plate, you can now donate via online or telephone banking. You can make individual donations whenever you wish, or you can set up a regular donation by Standing Order on a weekly or monthly basis.*

*If you have not received your envelopes, please contact the Cathedral Office.*

*For the purposes of setting up a regular donation via your online banking the parish bank details are as follows:*

### **St Barnabas Cathedral:**

*Bank: Lloyds Bank  
Account Name: St Barnabas Cathedral Nottingham RCP  
Account Number: 01647189  
Sort code: 30 96 18*

*Please put your name (e.g. D SMITH) in the payment reference so we know the donation is from you. This is particularly important if we have a signed gift aid declaration from you. If you normally use numbered Planned Giving envelopes you should quote your envelope number as the payment reference (so: D SMITH, the holder of envelope 19, would quote D SMITH ENV 19).*

*If you would like to donate by standing order, but you do not have access to the internet or do not bank online, please email: [stbarnabasnottingham@gmail.com](mailto:stbarnabasnottingham@gmail.com) - or directly to the Gift Aid Office: [parish.giftaid@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:parish.giftaid@dioceseofnottingham.uk). We can then organise emailing the necessary standing order paperwork to you.*

*If you are a UK taxpayer you also have the option of adding Gift Aid to your donation, whereby the UK government adds a further 25% to your contribution. Anyone wishing to set up a new Gift Aid arrangement should contact the parish office via email: [stbarnabasnottingham@gmail.com](mailto:stbarnabasnottingham@gmail.com) or email: [parish.giftaid@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:parish.giftaid@dioceseofnottingham.uk)*

**Legacies** Most of the running costs of your Parish and of the Diocese and of the national Bishops' Conference costs are covered by the regular collections which are taken at the weekend Masses. However, there are from time to time substantial one-off costs. For example, the boiler in the Church may suddenly and unexpectedly need replacing. A building might need substantial roof repair. Facilities for the disabled may need to be provided, and there is the ever present need to bring our buildings up to date with health and safety legislation. Until such time as these funds are needed by the Parish, they are deposited centrally and are invested. If you would be kind enough to consider a legacy to the Church in your Will, it is a tax advantage as a Charity, please see below

**Grapevine:** The essential bulletin for missionary disciples. Whilst we can't all meet we are still the Church. **Please see more information on the Diocesan website.**

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