

*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.

THIRD WEEK OF EASTERTIDE

Saturday 17th April 2021 to Sunday 25th April 2021

Psalter Week III ~ Sundays - Year B ~ Weekdays - Cycle I

The Celebration of Mass: 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.

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.

Mass Booking System As lockdown and shielding are no longer a requirement, more of our congregation are likely to return to Mass in person, and with more people wanting a seat in the Cathedral, Masses will be booked up quickly. Those who cannot get seats often turn up to wait outside to see if a place becomes available. Therefore we request that if you are booked in to Mass, please arrive at least 10 minutes early to assist the stewards in trying to find everyone a seat BEFORE MASS COMMENCES, thereby helping to lessen distractions to everyone inside the Cathedral. Failure to do so, may now result in your place being given to someone waiting outside.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations – Good Shepherd Sunday Next Sunday, 25th April, is our yearly opportunity to reflect on the Vocations to Priesthood and Religious Life. Also, we can contribute to the Clergy Formation Fund which helps train our future priests and contributes to our priests continuing formation. Please pray for the priests who serve you and encourage the young men [and may be the unattached young at heart!] to either consider the call to the priesthood for themselves, or encourage among their peers those whom they think would make good priests.

Today: It was his first Sunday in the parish and the congregation were on full alert to form their initial judgement of their new Parish Priest. His homily was good - very good - and this was a great relief to all. (His predecessor had been totally uninspiring). The following Sunday, the crowds had increased significantly, probably because the good news had gone around during the week. To the surprise of those who were there the previous Sunday, the priest proceeded to give the exact same sermon. They excused this, in the belief that there were so many newcomers that day, that it was no harm that they should hear what he had to say. Which was all very well until the next Sunday, the following Sunday and, indeed, the following Sunday. The very same sermon! This was carrying things a bit too far! Two or three of the parishioners decided to approach him as diplomatically as possible, to talk to him about how they felt about what was happening. They were extremely diplomatic. "That's a very good sermon, Father." "Oh, thank you very much. I'm glad you found it helpful." "We were just wondering Father, if you realised that you have given the exact same sermon for the past few Sundays?" "Oh, yes, I know that," replied the priest. "Well, Father, without wishing to be offensive, but we have to have an answer for those who sent us in here, do you have any other sermons?" "Oh, of course, I have plenty of other sermons." "Well, Father, you will be going on to one of the other sermons won't you?" "Of course I will" replied the priest. "When will that be Father?" "I promise you that I will move on to the next sermon as soon as I see you doing something about the first one!"

If we don't get the truth of the resurrection, what is the point of any further discussion. **(MB)**

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

Saturday 17th April	10.00am	Easter Feria	Anthony Charles Julious RIP
Vigil	6.30pm		Mary Slemon (Birthday)
Sunday 18th April	8.00am	Third Sunday of Easter	Murphy Intentions
	10.00am		Assuntina De Santis RIP
	11.15am		The People of the Parish
	6.00pm		Michael Herring
Monday 19th April	1.00pm	Easter Feria	Tony Diaz RIP Private Intention
Tuesday 20th April	10.00am	Easter Feria	Funeral Service ~ Filomena Azzini RIP
	1.00pm		Maddalena Stagnitto RIP Special Intention
Wednesday 21st April	10.00am	Easter Feria or	Requiem Mass ~ Emma Van Spyk RIP
	1.00pm	Saint Anselm	Tommy Joseph RIP Holy Souls
Thursday 22nd April	1.00pm	Easter Feria	Rev F Holmes Private Intention
Friday 23rd April	1.00pm	Solemnity of Saint George, Patron of England	For Jeannette Special Intention
Saturday 24th April	10.00am	Easter Feria or Saint Fedelis of Sigmaringen or Saint Adalbert	Josh Philip
Vigil	6.30pm		Ann and Ken Steel and Family
Sunday 25th April	8.00am	Fourth Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday)	Deceased Members of McCarron and McErlean Families
	10.00am		Jeanne Apperly RIP
	11.15am		Thanksgiving David and Teresa Brunton ~ (50th Wedding Anniversary)
	6.00pm		Private Intention

His Royal Highness Prince Philip, The Duke of Edinburgh RIP A Book of Condolence is now open in St Hugh's Chapel until Monday 19th April. May we now give thanks to God for Prince Philip's extraordinary life of dedicated service. He continually demonstrated his unflinching support and unstinting loyalty to Her Majesty The Queen for 73 years, theirs was a marriage grounded in friendship and mutual respect and sustained by shared faith in Christ. The legacy he leaves is enormous. The Duke of Edinburgh's Award, which he founded in 1956, has inspired generations of young people to help others and instilled in them a vision for citizenship and a desire to serve their communities. His work with countless charities and organisations reflected his wide-ranging, global interests in topics including wildlife, sport, design, engineering and inter-faith dialogue. As we recover and rebuild after the terrible trial of the coronavirus pandemic, we will need fortitude and a deep sense of commitment to serving others. Throughout his life Prince Philip displayed those qualities in abundance, and hopefully we can take that inspiration from his example. Let us pray that God will comfort Her Majesty and the rest of the Royal Family at this time. May His Royal Highness rest in peace and rise in glory.

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.

Parish Finances Last Week		Loose Plate	£ 499.41
Thank you for your generosity to the work of the Church! <i>In your Will, please remember your Church.</i>		Envelopes	£ 271.01
		S/Orders	£ 1,015.20
		Total	£ 1,785.62

Adoration takes place Monday to Friday from 11.50am to 12.50pm and Saturday 10.30am to 11.30am in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. All welcome.

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.

Cathedral Repository is now open on a Friday from 11am to 2.30pm. Teas and Coffees will also be served in the Cathedral garden, weather permitting.

Baptism Course The date of the next course has been rescheduled to take place on Saturday 22nd May, but numbers will have to be limited due to the restrictions. The course will be in the morning, but the time is yet to be decided. If you have a child under 6 years of age and you wish to have them Baptised, you will need to complete an Application Form and return it Cathedral House as soon as possible. The forms are available to download off the Cathedral website. If you have already been on the preparation course and need to arrange a baptism, contact the Cathedral Office to schedule this in. Baptisms will be allowed to take place after the 17th May. 30 people will be allowed at the ceremony.

First Confessions, First Holy Communions and Confirmation Any children who would have ordinarily received these Sacraments in 2021, will now begin preparations in early 2022.

Let us Dream - Eastertide Reflections The Spirituality Committee of the Bishops' Conference has produced a series of reflections based on Pope Francis' book 'Let us Dream' for individual and parish use throughout the Easter Season. If you would like a copy emailing to you, please email the Cathedral Office: stbarnabasnottingham@gmail.com

Beauvale Pilgrimage 2021 On Sunday 2nd May at 3pm, Bishop Patrick will celebrate our annual Mass to honour the lives of the Beauvale Martyrs, Ss John Houghton and Robert Lawrence. Due to Covid restrictions, this year's Mass will **not** take place at the ruins of Beauvale Priory. Instead, it will take place at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church Eastwood NG16 2AQ. The number of people coming to this Mass unfortunately has to be limited to a maximum of 48, but Mass will be live streamed. Go to YouTube and search 'Our Lady of Good Counsel Church Eastwood' and you will be able to follow the Mass with us. For more information please make contact directly with Fr Paul Newman: paul.newman@dioceseofnottingham.uk

'Being a Missionary Disciple After the great success of Bishop Patrick's Lent Talks on Discipleship, the Formation for Mission Team are offering two talks on Zoom in May on 'being a Missionary Disciple'. The first talk '*The Ascension & the Great Commission*' will be given by Canon Christopher Thomas (General Secretary of the Bishops' Conference of England & Wales) on Thursday 13th May at 7pm. This talk will explore the importance of the Ascension and how we can live Jesus final instructions to us. The second talk '*Pentecost & Mission*' will be given by Pippa Baker (A Catholic Missionary, Speaker & Musician) on Wednesday 19th May at 7pm. This talk will examine the significance of Pentecost for us and how the Holy Spirit equips us for mission in our every day lives. To register visit: www.dioceseofnottingham.uk

The Future of Christianity in the Middle East The Catholic foundation Fellowship and Aid to the Christians of the East (FACE) are hosting a webinar with His Beatitude Louis Raphaël Cardinal Sako and His Eminence Michael Louis Cardinal Fitzgerald, M.Afr., on Saturday 24th April at 10am (BST) via Zoom. It is necessary to register in advance using this link: www.cardinalsako.eventbrite.co.uk

Sponsored Walk In May, Fr Joe Wheat is walking 80 miles (130km) over 5 consecutive days to raise money for Rainbows Hospice, Loughborough and the Lewis Sewell Memorial Trust. Lewis died last year aged 18 and was the son of friends of Fr Joe. He was an aspiring young actor, so a group are walking between the theatres in Nottingham, Leicester and Derby, taking in the hospice in Loughborough and Lewis' home village of Castle Donnington. If you want to sponsor Fr Joe, go to this link <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/WalkforLewis18milesfor18years>. Monies raised will be split equally between the hospice where Lewis died and the Memorial Trust set up in his name to support young actors.

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. If you usually give by envelope or loose plate, you can now donate via online or telephone banking or via our Donation Station at the back of the Cathedral. 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. 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*

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 or email: parish.giftaid@dioceseofnottingham.uk. Now, more than ever our parish relies on your donations to stay open and provide care and support to everyone in our community, so please consider giving generously to support our mission and ministry. Thank you for your support.

Remembering the Church We are most grateful to those who have remembered the Church in their Wills – the Church can be a good beneficiary of a portion of an estate. 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.

Lead Lay Chaplain Required There are vacancies for two Lead Lay Chaplains within the Diocese of Nottingham, at the St Thérèse of Lisieux Catholic Multi Academy Trust and also the St Ralph Sherwin Catholic Multi Academy Trust. Further details are available at www.stl-cmat.org.uk/vacancies or www.srscmat.co.uk/vacancies. Closing date: 4th May 2021.

Grapevine: The essential bulletin for missionary disciples. Whilst we can't all meet we are still the Church. For the latest edition detailing upcoming online events, please visit the Diocesan website - dioceseofnottingham.uk and the bulletin can be found under the heading 'Whats On'.

Complete the survey: How has Covid-19 Affected You and Your Faith? Bishop Patrick would like to hear from you! The Diocese of Nottingham has launched a short survey in order to deepen its understanding of Covid-19's impact on all Catholics across the Diocese. Bishop Patrick is eager to know more about peoples' experiences of the pandemic, with a view to ensuring that the faithful are well supported and understood in the years ahead. Please visit <https://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/whats-on/news/share-your-story-how-has-covid-19-affected-you-and-your-faith> and fill out the short questionnaire. **The deadline for submissions is July 4th 2021.**

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.

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