

*Welcome to the
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of Central Nottingham*

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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.

FOURTH WEEK OF EASTERTIDE

Saturday 24th April 2021 to Sunday 2nd May 2021

Psalter Week IV ~ 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.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations – Good Shepherd Sunday This Sunday, 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: Today's gospel is about a relationship. It is about the relationship between Jesus and his Father, and Jesus and us. Some people are not good in relationships. A healthy relationship is two-way and is always moving forward; otherwise, it will move backward. A relationship can never be static, and is always dynamic. To build a relationship with another is to spend time with that person, to share common interests, to listen, and to get to know. Once again, with Jesus and myself, this is called prayer. A relationship needs time and space in which to develop and grow. Prayer is giving God time and space in my life.

During the post-Easter Season, it is interesting to hear Jesus speaking confidently about his death. In the gospels we have encountered since Easter, it is obvious that the apostles had not understood Jesus when he spoke about events that unfold in today's gospel. "No one can take my life from me. I lay down my life voluntarily. For I have the right to lay it down when I want to, and also the power to take it up again...." The Jesus who speaks those words is my Good Shepherd, who promises to take care of me, to die for me, to keep me safe in his love. As is always the case in my relationship with Jesus, the outcome totally depends on my co-operation, and my willingness to accept. Today's gospel calls for a 'yes' right now.

A group of men sat around debating good and bad memories. As a result of the discussion, an impromptu contest began, to test their memories. One young man, with some artistic talent and training in voice production, recited psalm 23, 'The Lord is my Shepherd.' His rendition was very, very effective, and it drew thunderous applause, so he had to recite the Psalm a second time and a third time. The second 'contestant' was an elderly man, over in the corner. He was rather stooped, and it was difficult to hear every word and he, too, recited 'The Lord is my Shepherd.' When he was finished, there was total silence in the room. Something strange had happened. Unconsciously, many people felt a sense of inner stirring, and a few began to whisper a quiet prayer. The young man who recited the Psalm first time around, stood up and explained the different reception to the two recitals of the same Psalm. "I know the Psalm," he said, "but it is obvious that this old man knows the Shepherd." **(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 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 (<i>Good Shepherd Sunday</i>)	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
Monday 26th April	1.00pm	Easter Feria	Mrs Peggy Arroyo and Family The People of the Parish
Tuesday 27th April	1.00pm	Easter Feria	Helena Cicily Normoyle Special Intention
Wednesday 28th April	1.00pm	Easter Feria or Saint Peter Chanel or Saint Louis Grignon de Montford	Mary and Pat Treacy and Family Fr Mathew's Intentions
Thursday 29th April	1.00pm	Feast of Saint Catherine of Siena	Thomas' Intentions Philomena's Intentions
Friday 30th April	1.00pm	Easter Feria or Saint Pius V	Joyal's Intentions James' Well Being
Saturday 1st May	10.00am	Easter Feria or Saint Joseph the Worker	Helena and Henryk Pera RIP
Vigil	6.30pm		Siobhan and Dan Intentions
Sunday 2nd May	8.00am	Fifth Sunday of Eastertide	People of the Parish
	10.00am		Winifred De Bierre RIP
	11.15am		Valerie Black
	6.00pm		Gerry Finnerty RIP

A Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse ~ 4th May 2021 The Pontifical Commission for the Protection of Minors (PCPM) has highlighted the importance of prayer and suggested to Pope Francis that the worldwide Catholic Church should join together in a day of prayer. The Holy Father has welcomed this initiative. This is not a penitential day for the failure of the Church and others to respond to the scourge of abuse, but a day of prayer for those who have been abused, in a season of hope and new life. Bishop Patrick will be marking this day by offering a Holy Hour at the Cathedral from 12noon and then he will celebrate the 1pm Mass. Confessions will take place during the time of Holy Hour.

Kindle the Fire - Saturday 22nd May 2021 at 4.00pm Online prayer for the eve of Pentecost with Bishop Patrick, parishioners and Caritas volunteers from around the Diocese of Nottingham. Join us to mark the launch of our Diocesan Caritas. Find out how you can share in our common mission of justice and charity. [Book your place today.](#) You will be sent details of how to join up by Zoom a day beforehand. Please visit the dioceseofnottingham.uk website to book.

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.

Please visit our Facebook page "St Barnabas Cathedral" or Twitter: [@Cathedral_Nottm](#) or Cathedral Nottingham

Parish Finances Last Week

Thank you for your generosity to the work of the Church!
In your Will, please remember your Church.

Loose Plate	£	525.72
Envelopes	£	478.60
S/Orders	£	1,015.20
Total	£	2,019.52

Golden Wedding Anniversary We extend our warmest congratulations to David and Teresa Brunton, as they celebrate their Golden Wedding this weekend - a wonderful milestone on their marriage journey. We ask the Lord, that as he blessed the love of their youth, that he may continue to bless their life together with the gifts of peace and joy. Congratulations and well done.

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.

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'

Youth Worker Vacancy The Nottingham Diocesan Catholic Youth Service is looking for a highly skilled and ideally qualified Youth Worker to work as part of their leadership team and to lead young people in retreat programmes at The Briars, Crich. This is a full time post of 37.5 hours a week equivalent – Week on / Week off. This post has an ideal start date of June 7th 2021 but this is negotiable. The post will require residential work with equivalent time off given for overnight stays. You will need to be resident only for the duration of your programmes and working hours. Full time accommodation is not provided. For further information and an application pack, please visit the website: ndcys.com

Feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel and 53 years of Abortion Tuesday 27th April, is the 53rd anniversary of the Abortion Act coming in to effect. Since then, over 9 million babies have been aborted in the United Kingdom. Please say a prayer to Our Lady, Mother of Good Counsel, on this her Feast day. A prayer to Our Lady can be found on the Good Counsel website via this link: <http://www.goodcounselnet.co.uk/Our-Patron-Saints.html>

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.

School Vacancies in the Nottingham Diocese Lay Chaplain – St Francis of Assisi Hub; Headteacher – Our Lady of Perpetual Succour; HR Officer – Our Lady of Lourdes Central team; Teacher of Maths – Christ the King; Teacher of MFL – Christ the King; Teacher of History – The Becket School; Contracts and Procurement Manager – Our Lady of Lourdes Central team; Midday Supervisor -St Philip Neri with St Bede; Deputy Headteacher- Holy Cross. All Vacancies can be located on our website here: <https://www.ololcatholicmat.co.uk/vacancies-and-recruitment/>

Grapevine: The essential bulletin for missionary disciples. For the latest edition detailing upcoming online events, please visit the Diocesan website - dioceseofnottingham.uk 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.**

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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