

PARISH MISSION: Please remember the Mission (March 17-26) EVERY DAY in your prayers (especially the sick and the housebound) so that we can look forward to a real spiritual renewal of the whole Parish. Especially important in this is the non-judgemental invitation to all those who no longer come to Mass. Whatever the reason for their staying away, the lead-up to the Mission is a wonderful opportunity to 'return to the house of the Father' where they will receive a very warm welcome. If you know of anyone in this situation, please extend to them this invitation and reassure them that it will bring them untold blessings and peace of mind. Thanks to those who attended last Fridays preparatory meeting. Note that, as we now have sufficient contact with Parish groups, the meeting scheduled for February 17th has been cancelled.

MISSION PRAYER: Father, pour out your Spirit on the people of this Parish and grant us a new vision of your glory, a new experience of your power, a new faithfulness to your word and a new consecration to your service, that your love may grow among us and your Kingdom may come, through Christ our Lord. Amen

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 11 th	6.30pm	Janet & Robert Stinson RIP
Sun 12 th	9.00am	Helen Booton RIP
	11.00am	Cliff Brookes RIP (Anniversary)
	12.45pm	Polish Mass
	<i>2.00pm: Baptism of Francis Michael Essien</i>	
	4.00pm	Italian Mass
	6.30pm	Adoration
Mon 13 th	9.15am	Terence John Foister RIP (Anniversary)
Tues 14 th	9.15am	Keith Newton RIP (Sts. Cyril and Methodius)
	<i>11.00am: Funeral of Emily Hurst Heath at crematorium</i>	
	<i>3.15pm: Reception of Anna King</i>	
	4.00pm	Filipino Mass for couples
Wed 15 th	9.15am	Terence Foister RIP
	<i>11.00am: Requiem for Anna King</i>	
	6.30pm	Hughie Canauagh recovery
Thurs 16 th	9.15am	Katie & Jack Smith RIP
	<i>11.00am: Maurice Keetley</i>	
Fri 17 th	9.15am	Antonio Benincasa RIP
	7.00pm	Domenico Petti RIP
Sat 18 th	9.15am	All Parishioners
	6.30pm	Joseph Quinn RIP
Sun 19 th	9.00am	Andres Omena RIP
	11.00am	Taulino & Marcelina Divinagracia

Last week's collection raised £562.00. Thank you.

Please pass this newsletter on to someone who could not be at Mass today – Thank you!

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6th Sunday in Ordinary Time: February 12th 2012

WELCOME

We welcome newcomers to our worshipping Community. Please take and keep a copy of our handbook and complete one of the "New Parishioner" forms. Both can be found at the back of church to the right of the main door as you go out.

Thank you and Welcome

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS: At a time of great spiritual need for the Church, and especially in Ireland, the International Eucharistic Congress will take place in Dublin from June 13th to 18th this year. A pilgrimage is being led by Fr. Martin Hardy, of St. Patrick's, Leicester, (ring 0116 235 3329) or visit website www.iec2012.ie

NOTTINGHAM DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 16th – 21st July: Please see poster on notice board for contact details.

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGES: May 3rd – 10th from Stansted @ £399; July 17 – 24 from Gatwick @ £469; July 31st – Aug 7th from Gatwick @ £395.

The Lay Community of St. Benedict invites all to a day of Benedictine Spirituality on Saturday, March 3rd from 9.15am until 2.30pm at St Joseph's (near the Monastery) on Oaks in Charnwood. Cost is £5. Details and contacts are on the notice board.

ROSMINI PRAYER CENTRE: Saturday, February 18th, 10.30 until 1.00pm: "What is the Supernatural" a talk by Fr. Antonio Belsito, followed by lunch. Lenten lectures beginning on Wednesday February 22nd at 7.00pm. The first in the series is entitled "There is a God."

DANGER! The Leicestershire County Council are considering the withdrawal of home to school transport grants to pupils at Catholic and other Faith schools. Other changes being considered are equally important and parents will need to register their concerns as a matter of urgency. To request hard copy of the consultation document, ring 0116 305 0001 or email stg@leics.gov.uk

Please pray for... The Sick: John Brady, Jane Moss, David Hart, Frank Durning, Thomas Murphy, Pat Donnelly, Audrey Wilbram, James Greig, Lia Flood, David Allen, Caitlin Flynn, Patricia Edwards, Kathleen O'Hare, Lee Williams, Ian North, Gerry O'Rourke, Paola Cavadini, Nathan Wright, Hinton Gunewardena, Kath Brooks Nelly Talaban, Margaret Veals, Bernard Ratigan, Christina Mortell, Winifred Johnson, Freddy Hess, Elsie Walmsley, Doug Collinson, Roger Faulks, Teresa Mamnicka, Alan Creighton, David Nevin, Hughie Cavanagh, Damian Loftus.

Recently Deceased: Patricia Kydd

Anniversaries: Roy Hammerton, Harold Main, Christopher Whittingham, Peter Smith, Samuel Reid, Jamila Dawood, Cliff Brookes, Helena Lawrynnowicz, Matti Bazi, David Collins, Wanda Wajzert, Sheila Jarvis, Terence John Foister

This week at Saint Mary's: Saturday/Sunday: Lourdes Fund Sale in the Hall after Mass to help Parishioners to go to Lourdes who otherwise could not afford the cost.
Monday: St Mary's session of Town Wide Prayer at Elim Church from 11am - 2pm
Tuesday: Filipino Valentine's party in the hall. Scripture group in the library 7.30pm
Wednesday: Senior citizens meeting from 2pm to 4pm in the hall
Thursday: ROSMINIAN ASCRIBED Members meet at the Convent a 7.30pm
Sunday: PC Abdullah's visit from 10 - 12 in the hall
Advance notice: Altar servers' meetings at 7pm on Thursdays Feb 23rd, March 1st & 8th in the parish hall. Please let Fr Philip know if you are able to attend the meetings.
Parish Council meeting 27 February. If you have any items for the agenda please contact Fr Philip.

Deanery 'Youth Faithfully' event at 7pm on Monday Feb. 20th at Grace Dieu. All welcome, especially those due to receive the sacrament of Confirmation this year.

Loughborough Churches Partnership 24/7 TOWN WIDE PRAYER WEEK runs from Monday Feb 13th 10am to Saturday 18th 6pm at Elim Church, Ashby Road. **On Monday Feb 13th 11am to 2pm a session is booked for St Mary's.** Please sign up on the rota sheet at the back of the church for half an hour quiet prayer.
URGENT: We need at least 2 persons present at each of these time slots.

Please leave used carrier bags in a box provided at the repository for food distribution at Carpenter's Arms.

Please visit a well recommended website - www.comepraytherosary.org. An online video **Rosary** allows Catholics worldwide to join together in praying the rosary or to pray individually at anytime.

UCM Table-top Sale, Saturday, February 25th from 10.00am in aid of Parish Funds.
PARISH VOICE: Please send in your article, comments, photos etc before March 5th 2012.

PROPOSAL OF NEW EVENING MASS TIMES: Please fill in a feedback form which you will find on the pew when you come into church.

PRAYER FOR OUR NATION

O God, grant that our nation, once renowned as an island of Saints and the Dowry of Mary, may once again restore the Gospel values as the basis of our national life.

May reverence for the gift of life and an esteem for the value of Marriage and Family Life build a Society of Peace, Justice and tolerance for all.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Our Lady of Walsingham, pray for us.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: On Wednesday, May 30th 2012, at 7.00pm, Bishop Malcolm will be here to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to our young people (in Year 9 or above). If there is a compelling reason for one younger than year 9 to be confirmed, please see Fr. Philip as soon as possible. Those wishing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation will be asked to come to the Church to PERSONALLY collect the letter which will be there for them to take home, to sign themselves and to get their parents to sign to indicate their commitment to their child's ongoing preparation for the Sacrament. The letter will be returned to the Presbytery before the first session. These letters are available for collection from THIS Sunday. There will be a meeting of parents and ALL candidates at 7.00pm in the Hall on Wednesday, March 7th. The sessions will be in the Hall at 7.00pm on Wednesdays, March 14, 21st, 28th, April 18th, 25th, May 2nd, 9th, 16th and there will be a rehearsal in the Church on May 23rd. It is vital that all candidates attend the whole programme of preparation, at the end of which each one will ask to receive the Sacrament by signing the letter with which they will be provided, as a sign of their commitment to Christ and His Church.

VACANCIES Please see notice board or school website for more details: HIGHER LEVEL TEACHING ASSISTANT required at De Lisle; TEACHERS at Holy Trinity School at Newark; SCHOOL LEADER at Catholic Federation of English Martyrs, Oakham and St. Augustine's, Stamford Catholic Primary Schools; ASSISTANT HEADTEACHER required at St Norbert's School, Spalding Lincolnshire; DEPUTY HEADTEACHER required at St. Paul's (11 - 19) School at Leicester. A fieldworker is required at The Diocesan Justice and Peace Commission.

LENT EXTRA booklet and poster are now available at the Repository.

Exaireo Trust asking for your help to find a home for a mature male and a storage space for a lady who has been made homeless. Please contact Fr Philip for further details. This is a genuine need and is under the guiding hand of Dettie Wallington who is so well known in Loughborough for her work with the marginalised and the needy. Please do not just ignore this plea.

ATTENTION all Welcomers, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers: The NEW ROTAS for the next four months are available at the back of the church. Please remember to take your copy today and sign up for duties on Ash Wednesday and Holy Week.