

ROSARY: The month of October in the Church is traditionally dedicated to Our Lady, and in honour of this we would urge you to think about praying at least one decade of the Rosary each day. *"The Most Holy Virgin in these last times in which we live has given new efficacy to the recitation of the Rosary to such an extent that there is no problem, no matter how difficult it is, whether temporal or above all spiritual, in the personal life of each one of us, of our families ... that cannot be solved by the Rosary. There is no problem, I tell you, no matter how difficult it is, that we cannot resolve by the prayer of the Holy Rosary."*
Sr. Lucia dos Santos

FIRST CONFESSION, HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES will now begin in the spring term. Please keep checking the newsletter and noticeboard for updated information.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND: 26th Nov - 3rd Dec. £879. Contact Teresa Knott from Mother of God Parish on 0116 224 8350 or 07877581148 to secure a place.

A CALL TO ACTION (ACTA) CONFERENCE 2015: This will be held on **Saturday October 31st** at Leeds Trinity University LS18 5HD from 11.00am - 4.00pm. Entry £15. Items on the agenda: Catholic Social Teaching : What is Justice? and The Common Good: Building Community. More information may be found at acalltoaction.org.uk

SECULAR DISCALCED CARMELITES RETREAT DAY: To follow-up the Teresa 500 exhibition & talks at the Cathedral, the Secular Discalced Carmelites have arranged a retreat day at Mount St Bernard's Abbey, 10a.m – 4.00p.m on 31st October.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: If you would like to take part in the Christmas Shoebox campaign this year, please go to the website for information about what to put into your box, and particularly what **not** to put in! <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/> Unfortunately I don't yet have any leaflets. £3 per box needs to be included for postage or preferably paid online and a reference number enclosed in each shoebox. Boxes should be dropped off at St Mary's Parish Hall by **Friday 6th November** at the latest. I understand that 30,000 boxes from the UK will be going to refugee children in Northern Iraq and another 30,000 to refugee children in Eastern Europe; see the website for further details. If you need help accessing the information on the website, please email me or give me a ring in the evenings on 01509 558537. *Sue Davies*

CARING FOR OUR COMMON HOME — A STUDY DAY ON 'LAUDATO SI': Organised by the Justice and Peace Commission of our Diocese, a study day with Ellen Teague on the Papal Encyclical 'Laudato Si' will take place on **Saturday 31st October 2015** at St. Patrick in the Meadows, Launder Street, Nottingham.

LAST WEEK'S FINANCE	
First collection: £ 786	
Standing orders: £ 628	<i>Thank you</i>

SECOND COLLECTION: For the training and educating of Rosminians for the priesthood and missionary work.



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Fr Philip Sainter, Parish Priest; Fr. Paul Gillham, Assistant Priest

In community: Fr. Charles Sormany and Fr. Simon Giles

Newsletter for Sunday 18th October 2015

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Psalter Week 1

This weekend and next, we are focusing on **Missions** – *Firstly:* The training of young Rosminian men for the priesthood and for their missionary work as priests and brothers at home and abroad and *Secondly:* the wider missionary work of the Church.

Today, Fr Emelian will be appealing to us to help the Rosminian Order increase their funds for the training of young vocations who will serve the Church as Religious brothers and priests. Each year, many young (– and some not so young!) Rosminian men are being sent out on missionary work, not only to the developing countries, but also here to the UK. Indeed, without these newly ordained priests from India, Venezuela and Africa, we in this country could not sustain our current parishes and apostolates. For this reason, we are so grateful to have been able to welcome one African and two Indians this year

Please support Fr Emelian's Appeal for financial help: Please support the Rosminian Order in preparing our young vocations for the priesthood and missionary work.
(Gift Aid applies)

Next weekend we will celebrate World Mission Sunday when our focus will be on **the Church's global missionary work**. Significantly, the World Mission Sunday collection is one of only three collections which the Vatican requires of every parish. In our own little way, our efforts and our generosity will help the wider Church transform lives and help spread the Good News.
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MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Sat	17 th	1730-1800	Sacrament of Reconciliation + on request
		1800	All Parishioners
Sun	18 th	0900	Nicola Romano RIP
		1030-1100	Sacrament of Reconciliation + on request
		1100	Clariss Rider – On her 102 nd birthday <i>Presentation of Hannah Bliss</i>
		1245	Polish Mass
		1600	Italian Mass
Mon	19 th	0915	Claire Liddle RIP
		1200 noon	<i>Requiem: Arthur Spencer RIP</i>
Tues	20 th	0915	Dorothy Ginns RIP
Weds	21 st	0915	Michael Merwick - Intention
Thurs	22 nd	0915	<u>THE DEDICATION OF THE CHURCH</u> <u>(SOLEMNITY)</u> Ian Jephcott RIP
Fri	23 rd	1800	For the synod on the family
Sat	24 th	0915	Anne Abraham RIP (Anniv)
		1800	Sheila, Nick & Roy Rowbotham RIP

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Mon	19 th	1900	History Group – Front Room
Tues	20 th	1925-2030	Scripture & Tradition – Library
		1930-2030	Safeguarding Meeting – Front Room
Weds	21 st	1400-1600	Senior Citizens – Church Hall
Thurs	22 nd	1900-2100	Craft & Chat Group - Library

PLEASE PRAY for those who are sick: Caroline Hillyer, Leonardo Lopez Wain, Jamie, Richard Palan, Mark, Stephen Coultas, Jane Moss, Brian Smith, Benedict McKeown, Ola Awotula, Jean Hooper, John Newman, Michael Smith, Rosinah, Mr Ball, David Hart, Eddie Hamilton, Arthur Clarke, Katie Mercer, Hannah Bechler, Rosinah, Alan and Judith Creighton, Moyna McGlynn, Anne Hickman, John Tucker, Val Wells and Sr. Mary Joan Ozorio.

those who have recently died: Sheila Dawson & Arthur Spencer. **May they rest in peace**

for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Margaret Walton, Wanda Zawodna, Gertrude Worthley, Kathleen Bradbury, Louisa Finney, Inez Wardle, Muriel Preston, Wilfred Cornelius, Jadwiga Malik, Julia Pacynko, Velio Carlardo and Eileen Topolewski.

IF YOU ARE NEW TO THIS PARISH we warmly welcome you and invite you to make yourselves known to one of the Priests and/or to a member of the congregation. Do take home one of our 'welcome' sheets, and join us after Mass for tea/coffee in the parish hall – a chance to meet other parishioners and enjoy a refreshing brew.

VISITING GROUP: Please note that the meeting scheduled for 3rd November is **cancelled**.

THINKING OF BECOMING A TEACHER? The Nottingham Catholic Teaching School Alliance have places available on the School Direct Programme (primary and secondary). For further details and to reserve a place on the open evening on **4th November**, call Vanessa Scott on 0115 982 4280. Website: www.becketonline.co.uk/teaching-school.

CRAFT AND CHAT GROUP: Every Thursday, 7 - 9pm, in the Library. A newly formed group for anyone wishing to learn and/or share a craft (knitting, crochet, needlework, card making, calligraphy or whatever else you're interested in). All welcome - drop in at any time.

LEICESTER CITY OF SANCTUARY, LOUGHBOROUGH TOWN OF SANCTUARY: If you would like to get involved in local projects offering a welcome and support to asylum seekers and refugees in our community, there are simple ways in which we can get involved: Loughborough Meet and Greet project (weekdays during the day); donating your unused bicycles (Leicester, pick up available); supporting English teaching (Leicester, training provided); shopping buddies (Leicester) and fundraising. More information on <https://loughborough.cityofsanctuary.org/> and <https://leicester.cityofsanctuary.org/what-you-can-do>
Sue Davies

CHOIR PRACTICES: We meet on the **2nd and 4th Monday of each month** at 7.30pm in the Church. New members are always welcome. There is no long term commitment and no need to be able to read music. Rehearsals last about 45 minutes. Our next rehearsal is on Monday, **October 26th**. Do come and join us!
Noel Henry

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS CAROL CONCERT AT DE MONTFORT HALL will take place on Friday **4th December** at De Montfort Hall, Leicester at 7:15p.m. The concert, at which children of our Catholic schools will be performing a selection of carols, is in aid of Menphys, the Leicester and Leicestershire charity which supports disabled children and their families. Tickets are priced £9 and are available from Sarah Dewfield at the Menphys Office, tel: 01455 323013 or e-mail: sarah.dewfield@menphys.org.uk

ST MARY'S SINGERS: Rehearsals will resume again on Thursday **29th October** from 7.30 - 8.30pm in the hall. We welcome long-standing and new members to our group; we sing for fun and previous singing experience isn't necessary. So come along and join our friendly group. Please will existing members bring with them any copies of music we have previously worked on. Looking forward to seeing you all.
Jane Monaghan

SALE: of delicious homemade cakes, jams and marmalade **today** after 9am and 11am Masses. Proceeds towards church funds.
Marie Brookes

LEARN TO PLAY A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT: Who would like to learn to play a musical instrument, starting at rock bottom, having no musical knowledge whatsoever and learning and playing in a group? No age limit but retired girls and boys particularly welcome. I have a number of instruments available: guitar, accordion, recorder, ukulele, banjo ukulele, violin, mandola, harmonica, or bring your own, whatever. £1 per session. Phone John. 01509 554337 john.clark463@ntlworld.com Who knows! After six months you could be playing in one of St. Mary's music groups at Mass! "*Follow Me, Follow Me, leave your home and*"
John Clark