

CONFIRMATIONS AT ST MARY'S: Confirmations will take place on **Thursday 11th May 2017** at 7pm. Details of Confirmation classes will be advertised in the newsletter and on the church and school noticeboards.

EXAIREO: Our local Christian homeless charity, Exaireo, helps people rebuild their lives by providing homes, education, training, counselling and much more. And they have a good success rate in helping people to move on. Four of the team are taking part in a walking, cycling and canoeing challenge at Ben Nevis **17th/18th June**. Please help by sponsoring them to raise much needed funds for a local charity (which has low overheads). I have a sponsorship form or you can donate at www.justgiving.com/charity/exaireo/bennevis. Thank you.

Catherine Brady, PPC Chair.

OUTREACH: The sellers of 'The Big Issue' magazine are struggling. David (at Carillon Court) and Madi (at the Town Hall) both have children to support. We could make a huge difference to their lives just by buying The Big Issue from them every week. So please remember to buy 'The Big Issue' every week. *Margaret Haim*

ROSMINI CENTRE: **Saturday, 11th June**, 10.30 -1.30pm. A morning talk by Fr. A. Belsito: "*Are all higher animals 'persons'?*" All are welcome, tea & coffee provided, shared table after the talk. Please do phone or email if you would like to attend rosminicentreinfo@gmail.com 01509 813078.

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: Please see the noticeboard for information about a pilgrimage to Lourdes departing from Nottingham and Leicester on **20th August 2016**.

WORLD YOUTH DAY: 22nd July – 1st August 2016: This will take place in Krakow this year. Information is available from Pete Vickers (peter@ndcys.com; 01773 852044)

LAST WEEK'S FINANCE	
First collection: £ 854	UCM Spring Market for Kwediboma: £ 725
Standing orders: £ 599	<i>Thank you</i>

Second Collection: today for the Rosminian Formation Fund:

- to help the Rosminian Order to respond confidently and quickly to those who are called to the priesthood, diaconate or religious life;
- to support seminarians and provide the funds to pay for their preparation for the priesthood and
- to enable the order to provide an appropriate level of care, support and on-going training to these men who give their lives to the Church.



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In community: Fr Charles Sormany and Fr Simon Giles

Newsletter for Sunday 5th June 2016
Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Psalter Week 2

The Compassion of God gives us life and restores us to life!

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An extract from the sermon given by Pope Francis on 6th June 2013

Our readings reveal the meaning of the biblical term compassion. **Compassion is a sign of the Kingdom of God breaking forth.** It reveals the character of God.

The first reading at Mass (1 Kings 17:17-24) records the resurrection of the son of the widow of Zarephath, of Sidon. That resurrection was worked by God, working through his Prophet Elijah. It was done out of compassion.

The Gospel account (Luke 7:11-17) of the resurrection of the only son of the widow of Nain reveals heavenly compassion working in and through the Incarnate Son of God. When Jesus saw the funeral procession and encountered the tears of a mother, he was moved with compassion.

A more accurate translation of the original Greek text is not captured by the English translation – "sorrow/pity". It is better rendered by the translation – **compassion**: '*the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her... And he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." And the dead man sat up, and began to speak. And he gave him to his mother.*'

What is revealed in this encounter is what the compassion of God really looks like in the flesh ... it also reveals our own vocation as a Christian, no matter who we are - or what state in life or vocation we are living.

The Latin root from which we derive the English word 'compassion' actually means to enter into the suffering of another. It is about much more than sorrow/pity. It is a response, an action rooted in love. This kind of response is meant to characterize those who bear the name 'Christian'. Christians **live differently** because we live now in Jesus Christ. We **love differently** because we love in Jesus Christ. We can truly become different, at the deepest level, when we cooperate with grace and allow the character of Christ to be formed in us, and to be manifest to others.

ST. MARY'S MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Sat	4 th	1730- 1800	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation + on request</i>
		1800	Antonietta Acierno RIP
Sun	5 th	0900	John Donnelly RIP
		1030-1100	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation +available on request</i>
		1100	For the Parish
			<i>Welcome to Baby Charlie R. Swift</i>
		1245	Polish Mass
		1415	<i>Baptism of Felicity Minards and Gillian Busby</i>
		1515	<i>Baptism of Grace Powdrill</i>
		1600	Italian Mass
Mon	6 th	0915	William Gallagher RIP (Anniversary)
Tues	7 th	0915	Rae Hagan RIP (Anniversary)
Weds	8 th	0915	Rose Weightman - Intentions
Thurs	9 th	0915	In thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart
Fri	10 th	0800	Latin Mass (old rite)
		1800	Province Intention
Sat	11 th	0915	Province Intention
		1800	For the Parish

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Mon	6 th	1900	History Group – Front Room
Tues	7 th	1845-1915	Rosary and Divine Mercy – Side Chapel
		1925-2030	NO Scripture & Tradition until Sept 15 th **
Weds	8 th	1400-1600	Senior Citizens' Club – Church Hall
		1930	PPC Meeting – Library
		1930	UCM – Meal out
Thurs	9 th	1900-2100	Craft & Chat – Library
		1900	Finance Committee Meeting – Front Room

PLEASE PRAY for those who are sick: Christina Mortell, Clelia Paciolla, Freddie Hess, Gay Pepper, Kath Perry, Margaret Woodhouse, Pauline Davey (nee Woodhouse), Lee Raven, Louise Raven, Danilo Salvador, Christopher Browne, John Beasley, David and Claire Potter, Ann Checketts, Caroline Hillyer, Jamie, Mark, Stephen Coultas, Jane Moss, Brian Smith, Jean Hooper, John Newman, David Hart, Eddie Hamilton, Katie Mercer, Hannah Bechler, Rosinah, Alan and Judith Creighton, Moyna McGlynn, Anne Hickman and Val Wells

and for those who have recently died: May they rest in peace.

for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Hilda Faulks, Edward O’Sullivan, Maureen Connell, William Gallagher, George Hammond, William Rogers, Gerald Longburn, Beryl Ward, Joan Roper, Tony McAlister and Rae Hagan.

YEAR OF MERCY PILGRIMAGE WALK to Mount St Bernard's Abbey: **Saturday 25th June.** For those interested in walking the route, we will leave St Mary's at 9.30am, arriving at Coe Avenue at approximately 10.15am, walking from there to St. Botolph's Shepshed (to arrive around 11.15am), and then on to the Abbey. **Please note that these are approximate times.** For further details, please see our noticeboard or phone Bernard Monaghan on 07713 160199 or email bernard.p.monaghan@btinternet.com.

PARISH VOICE: Please note, the deadline for PV articles is **9th June.** Please send your items of interest, recipes, poems etc to the Parish Voice Team at office@stmaryloughborough.org.uk. If you have any photos you would like published in the magazine of **Pentecost Sunday or the First Communion** - Mass or presentation of certificates - please send them in and we will share your celebration memories with the Parish.

END OF TERM BARBECUE AND MUSIC NIGHT in aid of Kwediboma! Hosted by Saint Mary’s Youth Group and the UCM. **Friday 24th June,** starting with Mass at 6.00pm. If you play an instrument or sing, please get in touch. Year 6 from Saint Mary’s will be showing their Briars’ Assembly plus a couple of members of the Briars’ team will be joining us and there is a wonderful line up of budding young musicians with some ever so slightly older ones too – Please come! Everyone welcome! Donations are requested for wine, soft drinks, a BBQ and raffle. There will be a retiring collection. Please do join us for a wonderful parish evening together. We hope to see you there. Don’t forget to get in touch if you would like to play or sing. Otherwise just turn up. 7pm start. (vegan and gluten free options will be served).
Liz 07980021916

A CHILDREN’S LITURGY FORMATION DAY is being held at the Diocesan Centre, Mackworth, Derby DE22 4BD on **Saturday 11th June 2016** from 10 am – 3 pm. This is an opportunity for prospective helpers, recent helpers along with long-term helpers to share their experiences and learn more about this important ministry. Cost £5 per person, bring a packed lunch. Refreshments provided. To book in please contact: Diane on 0115 953 9841 or formation@nrcdt.org.uk Those in our Children’s Liturgy Team are encouraged to attend.

INAUGURAL RECITAL: **Friday 10th June,** 7.30pm, at Sacred Heart Church, Park Road. Paul Hale plays the recently installed Phoenix digital organ. Programme includes works by Bach, Hollins and Schumann. Admission free (donations invited). Wine and cheese. Opportunity to try the organ.

LACY FUN DAY: SATURDAY - RUTLAND WATER - Leicestershire Active Catholic Youth are once again holding a "Fun Day at Rutland Water" on **2nd July** from 11.00 am to 6.00 pm. Meet at the Normanton Car Park on the south shore, near to Edith Weston. (Map on the internet). The day will involve fun activities for the young people as well as sharing spiritual time together through social chatting, games and activities. Fr. Simon Gillespie will say Mass at 3.45 p.m. All young people are invited to bring their families and friends. Bring a packed lunch. Buses available from Leicester: 9.30 am depart St. Mary's South Wigston, 9.45 am depart St. Thomas More Leicester and 10.00 am depart Sacred Heart Leicester. Cost of the coach £5 per person or £10 per family. Contact iancardwell50@hotmail.com by 23rd June with numbers and for more information.