

# St Mary of the Annunciation Catholic Church

14th SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME

# NEWSLETTER

## Month of the Precious Blood



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*Served by the Rosminians*

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July is the month dedicated to the **Precious Blood of our Lord JESUS Christ**. Devotion to the Precious Blood doesn't only refer to the Blood which JESUS shed for us on the Cross. It also has a **Eucharistic** meaning. At Mass, when the priest says the words of Consecration over the chalice, "*This is the Chalice of My Blood poured out for you and for many*" the Blood of Christ becomes **substantially** present under the appearance of wine. The Church also teaches that the **whole Christ** is present here because Christ is risen, and so His Blood which is in Heaven is not separated from His Body or His Divinity. Hence the chalice is not only the Blood of Our Lord, but also the Body, Soul and Divinity. So we can say, **God is present in the chalice**. The wine itself is changed into Christ, the whole Christ. The Church uses the term **Transubstantiation** to describe this miracle.

Until recent times the Church did not distribute the Precious Blood to the faithful partly due to the danger of spillage, but also because many Protestants insisted that one did not receive the whole Christ unless you received from the chalice as well. This is false. So during the present COVID-19 pandemic, the Bishops have sensibly forbidden Holy Communion from the chalice for the people due to fear of contamination. Communion under the species of bread is sufficient because when a person receives the Body of Christ, he also receives the Blood of Christ at the same time. Sometimes people feel they are being short-changed if they are not able to receive from the chalice. This is mistaken because the whole Christ is received under the species of bread alone and the whole Christ is received under the species of wine alone. The fruitfulness of Holy Communion does not depend on whether or not it is received under both species, but on how ardent the faith of the communicant is, whether they are in a state of grace and how well prepared they are. Our Lord Who said, "*He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day*" also said, "*if any one eats of this bread, he will live forever.*"

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Saint Maria Goretti

**Please pray for those who have recently died**

Keith Masterman and Maria Santoro

*May they rest in peace*

**and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time**

Janey Affleck

Jane Butler

Doreen Dilkes

Donato Buttarazzi

June Cammish

## MASS INTENTIONS AT ST MARY'S

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**Sat 3rd**      **Vigil Mass**  
6.00pm      Patrick Hollingsworth RIP – PUBLIC MASS

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**Sun 4th**      **14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
9.00am      For the Parish – PUBLIC MASS  
11.15am      Jan & Lidia Orzeszek RIP– PUBLIC MASS  
4.00pm      Italian Mass – PUBLIC MASS

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**Mon 5th**  
9.15am      Barbara Stafford RIP – PUBLIC MASS

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**Tues 6th**    **St Maria Goretti (Memoria)**  
9.15am      Tom Sparks RIP

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**Weds 7th**  
6.30pm      Marcus Beddoe RIP (Latin, old rite) – PUBLIC MASS

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**Thurs 8th**  
9.15am      Family Intention (GE)

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**Fri 9th**  
6.30pm      Barry Hurd RIP – PUBLIC MASS

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**Sat 10th**  
9.15am      Denise Kabala RIP  
10.30am      **Private prayer with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Confessions 10.30-11.30am**  
-12.30pm      **Vigil Mass: Vera Hurry RIP – PUBLIC MASS**  
6.00pm

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**Sun 11th**    **15th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
9.00am      For the Parish – PUBLIC MASS  
11.15am      Eamonn Johnston RIP – PUBLIC MASS  
4.00pm      Italian Mass – PUBLIC MASS

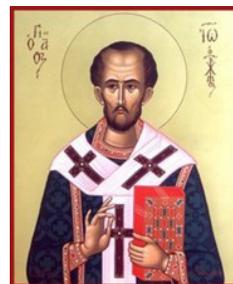
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### From the Saints

*“This Blood, when worthily received, drives away demons and puts them at a distance from us, and even summons to us angels and the Lord of angels. This Blood, poured out in abundance, has washed the whole world clean. This is the price of the world; by It Christ purchased the Church.”*

(St John Chrysostom, ca 347-407).



### PLEASE NOTE

Due to government regulations regarding personal data (GDPR), we are not able to publish name details of Mass intentions for the living in this online version of the newsletter.

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Finally, it is the Blood of Christ which saves us and atones for our sins. In the Old Testament God was going to punish the cruelty of the Egyptians and rescue Israel by the **Ten Plagues**. The final plague was the worst of all when He sent the 'Angel of Death' to strike down the first born of the Egyptians. But before that happened, God commanded Moses to make every Israelite family take a spotless male lamb and sacrifice it and consume it. And they were to put the **blood of the lamb** on the wooden doorposts, so that when the Angel of Death passed over, he would not dare to enter any house where the blood of the lamb had been smeared. Those who had smeared the blood of the lamb on their doorposts were saved, but for the Egyptians who had not, it was a night of grief and wailing. The blood of the lamb had the power to save the Israelites only because it was a sign, a figure, a **foreshadowing of the Precious Blood of Christ**, the true Lamb of God spoken of by the prophets which would be poured out on the Cross. Precious Blood of JESUS, price of our salvation, save us!

*Fr Paul Gillham, IC*

**Grub Club:** As mentioned previously, Grub Club will not operate a sit-down lunch this summer. Instead we will operate a healthy food giveaway service, twice a week for two hours, 10-12, in two locations, for four weeks. Mondays at St Marys parish hall, Fridays at Cobden Street school. Children and their families will be nominated by head teachers. Volunteers will be contacted.

**Ride+Stride 2021 - Saturday 11th September:** This sponsored event for cyclists, walkers, runners, horse-riders and mobility scooter drivers raises money for churches across Leicestershire and the LeicesterShire Historic Churches Trust. To register as a participant and for full details of the event, visit [www.lhct.org.uk/ride-and-stride](http://www.lhct.org.uk/ride-and-stride). The money you raise in sponsorship will be split 50/50 between your chosen church or chapel and the Trust which organises the event and uses the funds received for grants to churches and chapels for repair, restoration and improvement projects.

**Our seminarian Sam Hart** has completed his first year of training for the priesthood in Spain with flying colours. He is back in the parish for the next few weeks but will also be doing a summer placement in the parish at Scunthorpe before commencing studies at Oscott Seminary in September. Please continue to keep Sam in your prayers as we continue to pray for new vocations from the parish.

*Fr Paul*

## Year of St Joseph



### CHURCH CLEANING

**Weekly cleaning will resume on Friday 9th July, 10.30am to 12.30pm.**

Thank you to those who have volunteered. If you are interested in helping but have not yet signed up, please contact Fr Paul or Emily, or just turn up any Friday.

We would appreciate having more volunteers on the rota.

*Thank you*

## Prayer for vocations to the priesthood and religious life

**Leader:** Please kneel for our prayer for vocations. Let us ask God to give worthy Priests to His Holy Church and Brothers and Sisters to Religious Orders.

**All:** O God, we earnestly beseech You to bless this diocese with many priests, brothers and sisters, who will gladly spend their entire lives serving Your Church and making You known and loved.

**Leader:** Bless our families. Bless our children.

**All:** Choose from our homes those who are needed for Your work.

**Leader:** Mary, Queen of the Clergy!

**All:** Pray for us. Pray for our priests and religious. Obtain for us many more. Amen.

**Prayer to Saint Michael:** Holy Michael, the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God thrust down to hell Satan and all the wicked spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

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**Beda College Discernment Weekend:** The Beda College in Rome is running a discernment weekend for men between the ages of 30 and 55 from **Friday 3rd September to Sunday 5th September 2021**. It takes place at St Beuno's Spirituality Centre in North Wales. The weekend is to reach men who are not already in touch with the diocese and is a first step for those who may be exploring the possibility of priestly vocation in later life. Information and registration forms are at: <https://www.pathwaystogod.org/courses-events-retreats/discernment-weekend-older-men-1>

**Faith & Reason: A Catholic Integration:** Residential summer course exploring the relationship of faith with philosophy, science and culture. Particularly helpful for catechists and teachers fielding commonly-asked questions around Catholicism, as well as anyone wishing to deepen their understanding of the Catholic Faith. The summer course will Run from **5th – 8th August**. For more info and to register please follow the link: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/faith-and-reason/>

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**The second collection next weekend will be for the Apostleship of the Sea. This collection is mandated by the**

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[www.stmarysloughborough.org.uk](http://www.stmarysloughborough.org.uk)

## Pre-booking places for Mass:

Online bookings can be made on the diocesan website at

<https://massbooking.uk>.

Telephone bookings can be made by calling

**07554 603972**

**Tuesday or Wednesday**

**2pm – 4pm or**

**Thursday and Friday,**

**5pm – 7pm.**

Please do not phone the Presbytery. Due to the higher demand at weekend Masses, a pre-booked seat is not guaranteed if you arrive after Mass has begun. May I take this opportunity to remind you that the Sunday obligation is still suspended, and therefore I would encourage some of you to take advantage of attending Mass during the week if possible to help ease the numbers at the weekend. Thank you.

*Fr Paul*

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## Last Week's Finance

**Collection:** £644, of which £238 was gift-aided

**Peter's Pence:** £168

**Standing orders:** £824 @30/05, of which £721 was gift-aided

**Mass attendance:** 276

*Thank you*

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