

St Mary of the Annunciation Catholic Church

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NEWSLETTER



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Jesus has got the T-shirt

The lovely Letter to the Hebrews, from which we read this Sunday, reminds us of the **great and important** message of the incarnation. The fact that the great God, who made and makes all things, in the heavens and here on earth, for love of human beings, **made Himself one of us**. One with all our limitations and temptations. Born of a human mother, a child, a teenager, a young man, sharing completely in our humanity, **in order** to bring humanity to perfection and **save us** from our own destruction.

As the writer of the Letter to the Hebrews puts it *“He was tempted in every way that we are,”* sexual temptations, temptations to anger, to intolerance, to cut people down to size. He was *“capable of feeling our weaknesses,”* fear, frustration, laziness, boredom. In the gospels a few of these are mentioned: his exhaustion at the well in Samaria, his grief at the death of his friend Lazarus. But, as he had a very human personality, he must have suffered the fears and incomprehension of childhood, the frustrations of adolescence, as well as the more complex troubles and sorrows of adulthood, not to mention the unremitting opposition of those who rejected him – all under the overarching passion for his Father and his Kingdom.

All this would have enriched his personality still further, until he offered the whole of his humanity in obedience to his Father's designs for our salvation on the cross of Calvary. **Jesus has got the T-shirt**. He knows what it's like to be you and me, and that means **I can, and you can**, take your troubles, doubts, frustrations and sufferings to him. So never be afraid to do just that, he knows, and he understands, and he will **HELP!**

He's been there, he's got the T-shirt!

Fr David Jones OLW



St Anthony Mary Claret

Please pray for those who are sick

for those who have recently died

Fr Brian Cuddihy IC
Tony Wilkinson
Peter Faulks
May they rest in peace

and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time

Andrew Carr
Wilfred Cornelius
Jadwiga Malik
Julia Pacynko
John Calardo
Eileen Topolewski
Annie Owens
Dolores Cunningham
June Ross
Margaret Stanford

PLEASE NOTE

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

MASS INTENTIONS AT ST MARY'S

Sat 19th Vigil Mass
6.00pm For the Parish

Sun 20th Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9.00am Holy Souls
11.15am Annamma Abraham (RIP, Anniversary)
4.00pm **Italian Mass**

Mon 21st Feria
9.15am Peter Allen (RIP)

Tues 22nd Feria
9.15am Vittorio Giorgio (RIP)

Weds 23rd St Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop and Confessor
6.30pm Intention for the living (Latin)

Thurs 24th Feria
9.15am Billie Cadwallader (RIP)
4.30pm *Reception of Tony Wilkinson RIP*

Fri 25th Feria
11.00am *Requiem Mass: Tony Wilkinson RIP*
6.00-6.25pm *Confessions*
6.30pm Fr William Pollard, IC (RIP, Anniversary)

Sat 26th Saturday Mass of the BVM
10.30am *Private prayer with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*
-12.30pm *with Confessions 10.30-11.30am & Benediction 12.20pm*
2.30pm *Baptism*
6.00pm **Vigil Mass: Stephen Bowmer (RIP)**

Sun 27th Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9.00am For the Parish
11.15am Intention for the living
4.00pm **Italian Mass**

Rosary *Mon, Tues, Thurs after 9.15am Mass; Wed, Fri at 6.00pm; First Saturday of each month after 10.00am Mass*

THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Weds 23rd UCM - 2.00pm in the hall

Thurs 24th RCIA - 7.00pm in the library

All Saints falls on Friday 1st November and is a Holyday of Obligation. Masses will be at 9.15am and 6.30pm. There will also be a Latin Vigil Mass on Thursday 31st October at 6.30pm which also fulfils the obligation. **Saturday 2nd November is All Souls Day.** Masses will be at 10am, 12 noon (Latin) and 6pm Mass. There will be no Exposition that day but there will be Confessions after 10am Mass. The 6pm Saturday Mass will be of All Souls and not of the Sunday, but it will still fulfil the Sunday obligation. On **Sunday 3rd November** we will meet in Loughborough Cemetery at 3.00pm for the Rosary and Blessing of Graves for which you may gain a Plenary Indulgence for the Holy Souls.

Are you a catechist? Have you thought about being one? The Diocese offers three courses. Encounter Catechesis provides the foundations of catechesis; Discipleship Catechesis explores a good knowledge of key points of Catholic Theology; and Missionary Catechesis is focused on going beyond sacramental preparation to help form disciples of all ages. To enquire please follow this link bit.ly/formation2425 or email: formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Day for Catechists, Saturday 30th November, 10.00am – 4.00pm:

The Diocese is hosting the first in-person day of reflection and formation for catechists since lockdown! It will be led by the Dominican Sisters of Saint Joseph, will include Mass and will explore the calling of a catechist, reaching the whole family with catechesis, and going beyond sacramental catechesis. Cost: £10 per person; bring your own packed lunch. For more information and to book visit: www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/day-for-catechists-2024

Assisted Suicide - a threat to the vulnerable: a talk being given on **Tuesday 15th October** at 7.00pm in Cathedral Hall, Nottingham NG1 5AE by Professor David Jones, explaining why legalising assisted suicide would be a mistake. MPs will soon be voting on a bill to legalise assisted suicide. The danger of the legalisation of assisted suicide within the British Isles has never been greater. At the same time, there is more and more evidence from abroad about the harms that follow if the law is changed. Please join us if you are able, or the talk will be livestreamed www.facebook.com/dioceseofnottingham For more information, contact John of Nottingham SPUC on 077578 15625 or spucnottingham@gmail.com. **There is a Novena from the Bishops available at the back of the church.**

St Mary's News: The next edition of the Parish News is now available. The suggested donation is £1 to help cover print costs.

First Holy Communion 2025: Application forms are available from Fr Paul. The closing date is **Sunday 3rd November**.

Confirmation 2025:

Those wishing to be confirmed in 2025 should be in at least Year 7 by September 2024. This is advance notice that anyone applying should be attending weekly Mass now. Those not already attending weekly Mass for a considerable time by the time the application forms are available will be asked to postpone their application until such a time as they are. *Fr Paul*

Nottingham Cathedral Choir sings Requiescant in Pace, the sublime

Requiem Masses of both Fauré and Duruflé on **Friday 15th November** at 7.30pm, accompanied by David Grealy and Soloist Will Burn. See the poster at the back of the church.

St Mary's School: There is an open invitation from the children to join them in weekly prayer at 12.40 in the Chaplaincy area in the Library. This month they are praying the Rosary; all welcome. *Jane Monaghan*

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.

The next Knights of St Columba Quiz will be on on **Saturday 26th October** in Sacred Heart Parish Hall starting at 7.30pm. All profits from the evening will go to the Knight's youth activities, especially here in Loughborough where they will be holding their usual Epiphany and Palm Sunday events. The cost remains just £7 a head, £3 for children and students, to include a cheese supper, wine and soft drinks. If you would like to go, please call Will Holland on 07811 353 248. This helps with the catering.

The Requiem Mass for Tony Wilkinson RIP will be held at St Mary's next **Friday 25th October** at 11.00am. He will be brought into church the day before at 4.30pm.

From the Saints

"Courageously follow the path of personal holiness and diligently nourish yourselves with the Word of God and the Eucharist."

St John Paul II (1920-2005)

Photograph by Dennis Jarvis



This weekend there will be a **Missionary Appeal** on behalf of the Holy Family Sisters of the Needy by Sr Dymphna.

Many thanks to all who supported the Macmillan Coffee Morning, which raised a wonderful £143.

And thanks to all who helped and donated cakes.

The UCM team

Last Week's Finance

1st Collection: £669 (£110 gift-aided)

CAFOD Family Fast Day: £20 (2nd count)

Standing orders: £855 @ 30/09 (£726 gift-aided)

Attendance: 620

Thank you

Please consider switching your weekly offering to Standing Order and adding Gift Aid if possible

St Mary's bank account details for online donations

Bank: Lloyds

A/c name: St Mary of Annun Lough RCP

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