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Date	Holy Mass/ Services	Other Events
Saturday 22nd March 3rd Sunday of Lent	5.30 pm The Way of the Cross 5.30 pm Confessions 6.00 pm Mass: Canon Anthony Dolan RIP - 1st Anniversary	
Sunday 23rd March 3rd Sunday of Lent	10.30 am Mass: People of the Parish	
Monday 24th March Lenten Feria	6.30 pm Adoration 7.00 pm Mass: Priest's Intentions	
Tuesday 25th March The Annunciation of the Lord (Solemnity)	9.00 am Mass: Joseph PJ (RIP) 7.00 pm Lenten Reflection in the Lady Chapel	If you would like to make a donation, please scan the QR code & state CC Church
Thursday 27th March Lenten Feria	9.00 am Mass: For the Sick & Housebound	7 pm RCIA: The Social Teaching of the Church
Friday 28th March Lenten Feria	9.00 am Mass: 2nd Death Anniversary - Anna Francis	
Saturday 29th March 4th Sunday of Lent Laetare Sunday	5.30 pm The Way of the Cross 5.30 pm Confessions 6.00 pm Mass: Private Intention	
Sunday 30th March 4th Sunday of Lent Laetare Sunday	10.30 am Mass: Frank Fanning RIP	

Our Lady & St Patricks, Meadows, Mass/Service Times 23rd - 30th March 2025



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Sunday 23rd March 3rd Sunday of Lent	8.30 am The Way of the Cross 9.00 am Mass: Catherine McNamara RIP	Coffee & Tea after the morning Mass.
Wednesday 26th March Lenten Feria	9.30 am Adoration 10.00 am Mass: Catherine McNamara RIP	Coffee & Tea after the morning Mass.
Saturday 29th March Lenten Feria	9.30 am Confessions 10.00 am Mass: Luiz Nobor Camara Takahashi After Mass Lenten Reflection	If you would like to make a donation, please scan the QR code above & state OLSP Church
Sunday 30th March 4th Sunday of Lent Laetare Sunday	9.00 am Mass: Catherine McNamara RIP	Coffee & Tea after the morning Mass.

CAFOD Lent Fast Day was on Friday, 14th March. Thank you to everyone who ate less food on the day and contributed to the wonderful amount given by OLSP £336.06 & £401.34 by CC so far. You can still donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call 0303 303 3030. You can also text CAFODLENT to 70085 to donate £10 where you can make your donation.

Br Andrew will lead a weekly Lenten Reflection on Tuesdays at CC at 7 pm and on Saturdays after the 10.00 am Mass at OLSP. The theme is 'Journey of Prayer with the Parables of Jesus.' The Way of the Cross will be on Saturday at CC at 5.30 pm and at 8.30 am at OLSP on Sundays during Lent.
 Parish Evangelisation: In your daily prayer time please pray for our parish evangelisation efforts.
 CTS Sunday Missals now reduced to £5.00 while stocks last.

Visitation of the General Superior: Fr Gustavo the General Superior of the Sacred Heart Fathers and Brothers will be making his Canonical Visitation to the Communities of the English Vicariate from Tuesday 1st to Tuesday 15th April. He will be visiting the Nottingham Community from Thursday 10th to Saturday 12th April. On Friday 11th April, the Sacred Heart Community warmly invite you to Mass at Our Lady and St Patrick's at 7pm. After Mass you will have the opportunity to meet with Fr Gustavo in the Parish Hall. There will be a 'Shared Table,' more details and suggestions of what people might like to bring and share will be circulated in the coming weeks.

CC Collection Envelopes for 2025-26 are now available at the back of Corpus Christi Church. No envelopes have been ordered for OLSP as only 2 parishioners Gift Aid their envelope contribution. They have been asked to transfer to Standing Order. Non-Gift Aid donations will be counted with the loose plate.

The 1st Holy Communion Repository Stall is now open at the back of CC Church. On sale are rosary beads, prayer books, cards and other gifts. There are also some girl's dresses (new or worn once) and there will be some boy's suits available for a donation.

Corpus Christi Easter Egg Raffle Tickets £1 a strip to be sold after mass this weekend 22nd/23rd March and on the weekend of 29th/30th March & 5th/6th April. Donations of eggs are very welcome please! Draw to take place week commencing 7th April with winners able to pick up prizes after Mass on Palm Sunday weekend.

40 Days for Life is an international movement which seeks to end the injustice of abortion through prayer & fasting, & by changing one heart at a time. It is peaceful, legal and non-judgemental. You can help protect mothers & children by joining this worldwide mobilization! Through prayer & fasting, peaceful vigils & community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers. The Nottingham Pro-Life Prayer Vigil starts on Ash Wednesday, 5th March & continues through Lent. To take part or to find out more go to www.40daysforlife.com or email 40daysforlifennotts@gmail.com
 It is with sadness we heard about the passing of John Morgan who served as the Security Guard & Groundsman at The Briars for over 30 years. John, or 'Morgsy' as he was affectionately known, was a constant presence of warmth and welcome for the thousands of young people and staff who visited during this time. He had a way of making everyone feel at home, with a smile, or a story. He was an inspiration for generations of Briars teams and young people. In 2010, John was awarded the Benemerenti medal for services to the Church and is without doubt The Briars' greatest servant. He will be dearly missed. If anyone would like more details of the plans to celebrate John's life, please contact Hannah Leech - hannah.leech@ololcatholicmat.co.uk

Turning the Church inside out. Join the diocesan Justice and Peace Commission to receive the fruits gathered by the Synod from around the world, and bring its hopes to life here in our parishes, on Thursday 3rd April, 7.00-8.30pm online. The Synod on Synodality began with parish conversations in 2021. It continued in Rome last Autumn. And now it's back with us in Nottingham Diocese to plant it locally and bring it to life. The Synod's final report offers an inspiring vision of a Church rich in the relationships, gifts and vocations of all its people. Find out more and book at bit.ly/insideoutchurch
 Last call for the next Baptism Course to be held on Saturday, 29th March 2025 from 9.30 am to 12 pm in the Sacristy at Corpus Christi Church. Please contact the Parish Secretary on 011 921 2964 ASAP.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for March 2025: For families in crisis. Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

Nottingham Cathedral Choir and Youth Choir are gearing up to perform the Bach St John Passion on Saturday 29th March at 7.45pm, in Saint Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham NG1 5AE. Since the performance falls the day before Mothering Sunday, the Choirs are offering 10% off tickets if you are treating your mum! This discount is available until 19th March; simply use the code MUM10 at the checkout: use the QR code on the poster at the back of church.

On Saturday 22nd March, Youth2000 is running a day retreat for all young adults (18-35) at The Briars, Crich, DE4 5BW. The day will include lunch and dinner, inputs, prayer, and Mass with Bishop Patrick. To purchase a ticket and find out more visit: <https://youth2000.churchsuite.com/events/eo9c6nuj> and for more information contact: charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk.

The Catholic Union is holding a webinar on the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill on Thursday 3rd April at 6.30pm. Chaired by Baroness Hollins, President of the Catholic Union, it will give members and supporters the chance to unpick the Bill guided by three experts: Dr Matthew Doré; Dr Philip Howard and Professor Julian Hughes, before the Bill returns to the Commons' Chamber for Third Reading on 25th April. To sign up for the webinar register at www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/hard-cases-dont-make-good-law-assisted-suicide-webinar-tickets-1233106176769?aff=oddtcreator

The Diocesan Women's Lent Retreat returns to Nottingham this year on Saturday 5th April. The theme of the retreat is 'The Sacred Heart: An Icon of Hope' and it will be given by Canon Jonathan Cotton, a fantastic retreat leader. Good Shepherd Church, Nottingham (NG5 4HT) will host the retreat which will include Holy Mass, Talks, confession, social time and more. The cost is £15, please bring a packed lunch. For more details and to book please see the poster in church or visit dioceseofnottingham.uk/events

Join men from across the diocese on Saturday 12th April for our annual Men's Retreat at Mount Saint Bernard Abbey. The theme of the retreat is 'The Journey Through Holy Week' & it will be given by Father John Farrell OP, former provincial of the Dominican Order. The retreat will include Holy Mass in the Abbey, talks, confession, guided adoration & more. The cost of the day is £15,

The Nottingham Diocesan Catholic Youth Service (NDCYS) is running an open retreat, Search for the Light, during Easter weekend, Maundy Thursday 17th – Easter Sunday 20th April, at The Briars Catholic Youth Retreat Centre. Join the mission team as they walk with young people in Years 10 - Year 13 through the Easter Triduum. To book visit: ndcys.com/events-and-opportunities/search/

The Christian Heritage Centre's Christian Leadership Formation Programme is a fantastic opportunity for students in Year 12 / Lower VI, & is now open to applications for 2025. Offering media training, tools for personal development, philosophical and theological & a chance to meet like-minded peers & Catholic academics & public figures, the programme offers a certificate validated by Saint Mary's University, Twickenham. For more information visit www.christianleadershipformation.com

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society and CAFOD are working together to offer a week of free residential work experience for 20 young adults in England & Wales. The experience will run from 22nd 27th June in London. Candidates must have completed their first or second year at university & have a passion for social justice. Applications close on Easter Day, 20th April. For any queries please contact KeziaH@svp.org.uk

The Jubilee Pilgrimage to Walsingham with Bishop Patrick takes place on Saturday 14th June, gathering at the Anglican Shrine with procession to Catholic Shrine starting at 1.00pm. Mass will be celebrated at 4.00pm followed by departures. More information about events for young people to come soon.

A message from the Vice-Chair of the Parent Friend Association (PFA) at St Patrick's School, Wilford. Tesco Stronger Starts is a store wide initiative which supports local communities. Our PFA have been chosen this time to raise money for ongoing projects including OPAL & an outdoor garden. Simply make a purchase at one of the stores on the list at the back of both Churches & use the given blue token to vote for our school. Voting is from mid-January until the end of March. The group with the highest number of blue token wins £1500, second place £1000 & third place £500 for school.

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY: Synod Synthesis: PART 1 - THE FACE OF THE SYNODAL CHURCH, 7. On the Road Towards Christian Unity Convergences: Proposals m) There is also a desire to continue to involve Christians of other Churches and ecclesial traditions in Catholic synodal processes at all levels and to invite more fraternal delegates to the next session of the Assembly in 2024. n) A proposal has been put forward by some to convene an ecumenical Synod on common mission in the contemporary world. o) It was also proposed that we might devise an ecumenical martyrology.



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

My eyes are always on the Lord,
for he rescues my feet from the snare.
Turn to me and have mercy on me,
for I am alone and poor.

COLLECT

O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness,
who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving
have shown us a remedy for sin,
look graciously on this confession of our lowliness,
that we, who are bowed down by our conscience,
may always be lifted up by your mercy.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. Amen.

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Exodus.

"I Am" has sent me to you.

3:1-8a, 13-15

In those days: Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. And the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. And Moses said, 'I will turn aside to see this great sight why the bush is not burned.' When the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, 'Moses, Moses!' And he said, 'Here I am.' Then he said, 'Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.' And he said, 'I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.' And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, 'I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey.'

Then Moses said to God, 'If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you", and they ask me, "What is his name?" what shall I say to them?' God said to Moses, 'I AM WHO I AM.' And he said, 'Say this to the people of Israel: "I AM has sent me to you."' God also said to Moses, 'Say this to the people of Israel: "The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you." This is my name for ever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 103(102)

The LORD is compassionate and gracious.

Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all within me, his holy name.
Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and never forget all his benefits. R.

It is the Lord who forgives all your sins,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with mercy and compassion. R.

The LORD does deeds of justice,
gives full justice to all who are oppressed.
He made known his ways to Moses,
and his deeds to the children of Israel. R.

The LORD is compassionate and gracious,
slow to anger and rich in mercy.
For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so strong his mercy for those who fear him. R.

SECOND READING

A reading from the First Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians.

The way of life of the people with Moses in the desert was written down for our instruction. 10:1-6, 10-12

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptised into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did, nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God,

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God.
Repent, says the Lord,
for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.
Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God.

GOSPEL

The Lord be with you.

And with your Spirit,

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

'Unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.' 13:1-9

There were some present at that very time who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. And he answered them, 'Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans because they suffered in this way? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who lived in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.'

And he told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. And he said to the vine dresser, "Look, for three years now I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down. Why should it use up the ground?" And he answered him, "Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig round it and put on manure. Then if it should bear fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down."

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Be pleased, O Lord, with these sacrificial offerings,
and grant that we who beseech pardon for our own sins,
may take care to forgive our neighbour.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for her young:
by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
Blessed are they who dwell in your house,
for ever singing your praise.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

As we receive the pledge
of things yet hidden in heaven
and are nourished while still on earth
with the Bread that comes from on high,
we humbly entreat you, O Lord,
that what is being brought about in us in mystery
may come to true completion.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.