

**THE PARISHES OF  
HOLY CROSS AND OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR  
SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF  
BESTWOOD, BULWELL AND HUCKNALL.**

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**PRIMARY SCHOOLS:**  
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**FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – 7TH FEBRUARY 2021**

**MASS TIMES, SERVICES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK**

SUNDAY <i>FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</i>	7th		PRIVATE	People of the Parish
MONDAY - SAINT JOSEPHINE BAKHITA, VIRGIN <i>(OPTIONAL MEMORIAL) DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR THE VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING</i>	8th		PRIVATE	Private Intention
TUESDAY - (FERIA)	9th		PRIVATE	John Hayes, RIP
WEDNESDAY - SAINT SCHOLASTICA, VIRGIN <i>(MEMORIAL)</i>	10th		PRIVATE	Bill Lester RIP
			FUNERAL	Mary Ngairi Monro RIP
THURSDAY— (FERIA) <b>OUR LADY OF LOURDES—WORLD DAY OF THE SICK</b>	11th		PRIVATE	Sick and Housebound of the Parish
FRIDAY—(FERIA)	12th		PRIVATE	Carlo P and family Intentions
SATURDAY—(FERIA)	13th		PRIVATE	Gerald Kiwnuka, RIP
SUNDAY - <i>SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</i>	14th		PRIVATE	Corney and Kiwanuka Family Intentions

**Office Closed:** Breege and Viv have both been placed on Furlough leave. If you need to contact the office please email and your query will be dealt with as soon as possible. Please be patient with us but if you need to contact Fr John urgently please ring the office number.

**ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION:** My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen. As we cannot attend daily Mass, we can use this prayer to express our faith in Christ and His Presence in the Eucharist, and ask Him to unite Himself with us.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** BY APPOINTMENT ONLY AT THE MOMENT

**GOING INTO HOSPITAL?** PLEASE INFORM FATHER JOHN OR THE CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY TEAM. CITY HOSPITAL: 0115 9691169 EXT 56187 QMC 0115 9249924 EXT 64964

**World Day of Prayer for the Sick – 11th February 2021**

*World Day of the Sick, an observation started by Pope St. John Paul II as a way for believers to offer prayers for those suffering from illnesses. The day coincides with the commemoration of Our Lady of Lourdes. People around the world on this day take the time to pray for the sick and for those who work very hard to alleviate the sufferings of the sick. Pope St. John Paul II initiated the day in 1992 to encourage people to pray for those who suffer from illness and for their caregivers. The Pope himself had been diagnosed with Parkinson's a year before, in 1991, and it is considered that his own illness was the impetus for his designation of the day. Pope Emeritus, Benedict XVI, also declared his decision to resign from his post as the Pope on this day in 2013. He cited his failing health as the reason behind his decision.*

**MASSES**

**ALL MASSES ARE TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED AT THE MOMENT. WE HAVE REVIEWED THE SITUATION AND AFTER WIDE CONSULTATION WITH MEMBERS OF BOTH PARISH COUNCILS AND THE VICAR GENERAL WE HAVE DECIDED TO CONTINUE WITH THE SUSPENSION OF PUBLIC MASS. THIS DECISION HAS BEEN MADE IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF KEEPING EVERYONE SAFE. DUE TO TECHNICAL ISSUES WE ARE UNABLE TO LIVESTREAM THE MASS AT THE MOMENT.**

**WALK WITH ME BOOKLETS**

We have now received these little pocket sized, easy to use booklets, that can help keep us focussed in the daily living out of our faith as disciples of Jesus. This Lenten edition booklet explores the gift of prayer, alongside the great themes of Lent: conversion, transformative healing and the Paschal Mystery. It also draws inspiration from Pope Francis' latest encyclical, 'Fratelli Tutti', on fraternal love and social friendship, and his new book, 'Let Us Dream', which explores faith in light of the pandemic. **If you would like to receive one of these booklets please email the parish office.**

**PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES**

It is that time of year when we are ordering the new set of planned giving envelopes for our Parish. If you are already a boxholder we would like to know if you would like to continue to donate by this method or if you would like to move to standing order. If you are not yet a boxholder but would like a set of boxes please contact the parish office by email for Our Lady's Church and contact vivien.flynn83@sky.com for Holy Cross Church. For anyone who does not have boxes and not signed up for standing order but would like to start giving this way please get in touch with the office and the relevant paperwork can be emailed to you for completion. Thank you for your continued financial support.

**JOB VACANCY—NOTTINGHAM DIOCESE**

The Catholic Diocese of Nottingham seeks to appoint an experienced Safeguarding Professional to lead and manage its Safeguarding Service. For more information and an application pack email: [office@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:office@dioceseofnottingham.uk)

**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

Mary Ngairi Monro RIP whose funeral will take place this week at Our Lady's. We offer our sympathy to her family and friends and remember them in our prayers at this difficult time. May she rest in peace.

**CALLING ALL CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES 2021/2022**

In preparation for celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation we would like to hear from anybody who is thinking of receiving this Sacrament. In the first instance can you please send an email to Father John expressing why you feel this is right for you and telling him a little bit about your faith journey so far. Please note that if you are under 18 your parent or Guardian must submit the email on your behalf. The Sacrament is open to anybody who is currently in Year 7 upwards. Please note that the programme this year is a Diocesan programme led by the Briars youth team alongside our own Catechists which will take place on ZOOM. An informal discussion will take place over ZOOM on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February at 7pm so we will need your emails by Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February so we can complete registration and forward you the details of the meeting.

**NOTTINGHAM 40 DAYS FOR LIFE 2021**

**40 Days for Life** is a peaceful and prayerful way to work for an end to abortion. During Lent from **17<sup>th</sup> February to 28<sup>th</sup> March**, people in our Diocese are invited to pray and fast for an end to abortion. You are invited to peacefully pray for an hour or more during a 40-day vigil running for 12 hours daily during Lent. Please **sign up now** to pray with us at [40daysforlife.com/nottingham](http://40daysforlife.com/nottingham), or you can contact us at [40daysforlifennotts@gmail.com](mailto:40daysforlifennotts@gmail.com). Bishop Patrick will celebrate Mass for us on **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February** at the Cathedral at 7.00pm - if you live near Nottingham (and are not in a high-risk category) please do come. You can also follow the Mass online through the cathedral website.

**DEPUTY HEADTEACHER VACANCY**

St Francis' Catholic Voluntary Academy, Melton Mowbray (part of the St Thomas Aquinas Catholic Multi-Academy Trust) has a vacancy for a **part time non-teaching Deputy Headteacher**. Please visit [www.aquinas-cmat.org/vacancies/](http://www.aquinas-cmat.org/vacancies/) for further information. Closing date: **12 February 2021**