

# THE PARISHES OF HOLY CROSS AND OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

**SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF BESTWOOD, BULWELL AND HUCKNALL.**

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**SCHOOLS SERVING OUR PARISH**

**PRIMARY SCHOOLS**  
 Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Bulwell  
 Head Teacher — Mrs. Fiona Wadsley  
 0115 9150500  
 St Margaret Clitherow, Bestwood  
 Head Teacher — Mrs Sarah Sweeney McGinty  
 0115 9150296  
 Holy Cross, Hucknall  
 Head Teacher—Mrs. Tammie McNamara  
 0115 9534577

**SECONDARY SCHOOLS**  
 Trinity School, Aspley  
 Head Teacher — Mr. Matthew Shentor  
 0115 9296251  
 Christ The King, Arnold  
 Head Teacher — Miss Jo Love  
 0115 9556262

THE PARISH OFFICE IS NOW CLOSED AND WILL REOPEN ON TUESDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER.

**RCIA - RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS**

The RCIA is a programme for any non-Catholic or Catholic adults who have not received the Sacraments or are interested in knowing more about the Catholic faith. The classes will begin in September. If you are interested and would like to know more, please speak to Fr Richard or Deacon Martyn or contact the office.

**RCIC - RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR CHILDREN**

The RCIC is a programme for children age 7 to 15 years who have not been baptised and who wish to prepare for the Sacraments. Please contact the Office for more information.  
 If any parishioner would like to offer their help /support with RCIC, please speak to Fr Richard or Deacon Martyn.

**MESSAGE FROM FATHER RICHARD**

As we are now in the midst of the summer holidays, I would like to wish all of you (belatedly) a peaceful and restful break. Thankfully the weather has been decent for the most part and provides a good opportunity for outdoor activities. Many of you will be going, or planning to go, to better climes and I wish you safe travels and an opportunity for relaxation with family and friends. Hopefully when September arrives and the new academic year begins, you will all be refreshed and eager to take up the tasks ahead. Please be assured of my prayers and best wishes during this relatively quiet period. We are only halfway through the month of August, so still plenty of time left to enjoy the remainder of the holidays. May God bless and keep you all in his unfailing love. Father Richard.

**EXAM RESULTS MESSAGE**

To all our students who received their exam results this week. Some of you will be delighted, some disappointed. No matter what the result of the examination, God will still love you, protect you and walk with you. We can trust Him with our lives because he has created us and ultimately knows what is best for us. And he promises to be with us, forever.

**HOLY CROSS 100 CLUB**

Help raise funds for Holy Cross church by joining the 100 club. The draw is just £4 a month and you have a chance to win prizes of £100, £50 or £25 each month. At the moment we only have 32 members. To be able to give these prizes and maximise fundraising, we need more parishioners to join. Please consider signing up to support your church. Registration forms are available at the back of church.

**SPANNED ANNUAL MASS**

is being celebrated by Bishop Patrick at Saint Peter's Church, Leicester Road, Hinckley on **Saturday 21st September** with our five diocesan groups and many friends, at 2.30pm. SPANNED has been working on climate change over the last two years and will present their findings to the bishop at the Mass in the form of a Manifesto, called "If you want to change the world, then change your life". For more details contact Father Frank Daly after 25th August on 01455 634443 or at hinckleypriory@gmail.com. Likewise, if you are coming, we would like to know numbers so that you can stay with us for some refreshments afterwards. All are very welcome.

**CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME 2024**

If there are any adults who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, please speak to Fr Richard or contact the office.

*Taste and see that the Lord is good.*

**EPHPATHA HEALING SERVICE**

This **Tuesday 27th August, 6.30pm to 8.30pm** at Our Lady's. Praise & worship, Adoration of Blessed Sacrament and healing Mass.

**A TIME OF REFLECTION & PRAYER**

There will be a service of reflection and prayer in Our Lady's church hall on the first Wednesday of each month. The next one will be on **September 4th**. The service consists of quiet time with music, reading and discussing the Gospel of the coming Sunday, and a decade of the Rosary. The service will be from **7.30pm-9.00pm**. Please come and join us.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT IN CHURCH**

Please note that there will be no Adoration in church on a Wednesday or Thursday during the summer holidays. This will be reviewed in September and dates will be published when it recommences.

**CEMETERY SUNDAY OUR LADY'S**

Please note that this year our service at Bulwell will take place on **Sunday 15th September at 1.00pm** in the Chapel at Bulwell Northern Cemetery. The service is to remember all deceased family and friends buried there. This is a change from the usual November date in the hope for better weather and longer daylight time. Please let anyone know who would wish to attend.

**A REFLECTION FROM POPE FRANCIS FOR THE YEAR OF PRAYER: THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**

Our parents, who first taught us to pray, planted within us a seed that matures through our experience of the Christian life. Prayer remains the wellspring of the Church's life and the true source of her strength in bearing witness to the risen Lord. For this reason, Jesus insists on the need of his disciples to pray tirelessly and without ceasing. To pray and to teach others to pray, then, is essential for the Church's mission of proclaiming the Gospel, serving Christ in our brothers and sisters, and drawing all people into the unity of his kingdom.

To read the full reflection and find more resources, visit [dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer](http://dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer)

**BIBLE STUDY MEETINGS - HOLY CROSS**

No Bible study at Holy Cross until further notice.  
**There will be a break for the summer.**

**PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS AT HOLY CROSS**

at Michael Hallam's house **Sunday at 4.00pm**.  
 If you require a lift please ring Michael on 0115 9630925.

**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - 24TH/25TH AUGUST 2024  
 MASS TIMES, SERVICES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK**

Suggested Donation for  
 Newsletter 20p

SATURDAY - VIGIL OF TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	24th	5.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Stephanie Doherty RIP
SUNDAY - TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	25th	9.00am 11.00am	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	Andy Butkevicius RIP Joseph Omae Mosesti RIP
MONDAY - FERIA	26th			
TUESDAY - SAINT MONICA (MEMORIAL)	27th	9.30am 6.30pm	OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S	Thanksgiving for all blessings Healing Service
WEDNESDAY - SAINT AUGUSTINE, BISHOP AND DOCTOR (MEMORIAL)	28th	12noon	HOLY CROSS	Stephanie Doherty RIP & intentions of Val Doherty
THURSDAY - THE PASSION OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST (MEMORIAL)	29th	9.30am	OUR LADY'S	Gladstone Arscott RIP
FRIDAY - THE DEDICATION OF OUR CATHEDRAL (FEAST)	30th	12noon 7.00pm	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	Andy Butkevicius RIP Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Divine Mercy Chaplet
SATURDAY - VIGIL OF TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	31st	5.00pm 6.00pm	OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S	Bridget Doyle RIP Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help
SUNDAY - TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR <b>WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION</b>	1st	9.00am 11.00am	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	Pat Naughton RIP John Gilman RIP

**MINDFUL MERCIFUL CAFÉS**

**HOLY CROSS** will be open again on **Wednesday 25th September at 9.30am** in the meeting room.  
**OUR LADY'S** every **Thursday 10am—12.30pm** in the Parish Hall. **EVERYONE WELCOME.**

**HOLY CROSS CHURCH—READER**

September 1st – Dominic Dixon

**HOLY CROSS CHURCH—WELCOMERS**

September 1st - tbc

**HOLY CROSS CHURCH CLEANING**

September 1st - Charles & Patricia Nyarkoh

**OUR LADY'S CHURCH—READERS**

Saturday 31st August - Filipino community

Sunday 1st september - Kathy Taylor

**OUR LADY'S CHURCH—WELCOMERS**

Saturday 31st August - Filipino community

Sunday 1st September - Janet, Monica & Stefan

**OUR LADY'S CHURCH CLEANING FOR SEPTEMBER**

Team A (Teresa, Maram, Juliana & Chiamaka)

**REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS**

Sunday 1st September - Willow and Ruth

**A hearing loop system is available in both churches. Please set your hearing aid to 'T' (Telecoil) setting in order for it to work.**



**RECONCILIATION: Our Lady's** Saturday 4.15pm—4.45pm: **Holy Cross** - Wednesday (after Mass)

**SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES: Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Bulwell:** Bridget Doyle **Holy Cross, Hucknall:** Rosaleen Walters 07513 725395  
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