

THE PARISHES OF HOLY CROSS AND OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF BESTWOOD, BULWELL AND HUCKNALL.

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FIRST WEEK OF CHRISTMASTIDE 28TH/29TH DECEMBER 2024 MASS TIMES, SERVICES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Suggested Donation for
Newsletter 20p

SATURDAY - VIGIL OF THE HOLY FAMILY (FEAST)	28th	5.00pm 6.00pm	OUR LADY'S OUR LADY'S	Edgardo Samaniego RIP Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help
SUNDAY - THE HOLY FAMILY (FEAST)	29th	9.00am 11.00am	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	Sean Lanigan RIP Canon Short RIP
MONDAY - SIXTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS	30th			
TUESDAY - SEVENTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS	31st			
WEDNESDAY - MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD (SOLEMNITY)	1st			NO MASS
THURSDAY - SAINT BASIL THE GREAT, AND GREGORY NAZIANZEN, BISHOPS AND DOCTORS (MEMORIAL)	2nd			NO MASS
FRIDAY - CHRISTMAS FERIA	3rd	7.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Divine Mercy Chaplet
SATURDAY - VIGIL OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (SOLEMNITY)	4th	5.00pm	OUR LADY'S	
SUNDAY - EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (SOLEMNITY)	5th	9.00am 11.00am	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	Fr Richard's recovery People of the Parish

MINDFUL MERCIFUL CAFÉS

HOLY CROSS will be open again on **January 29th 2025 at 9.30am** in the meeting room.
OUR LADY'S every Thursday 10am—12.30pm in the Parish Hall. **EVERYONE WELCOME.**

<p style="text-align: center;">HOLY CROSS CHURCH—READER January 5th - Chris Ndubuisi</p> <p style="text-align: center;">HOLY CROSS CHURCH—WELCOMERS January 5th- Dominic Dixon</p> <p style="text-align: center;">HOLY CROSS CHURCH CLEANING January 5th - Henrietta Obiora & Sylvia Abaokporo</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">OUR LADY'S CHURCH—READERS Saturday 4th January - Julie O'Boyle Sunday 5th January - Prisca Bamuh</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OUR LADY'S CHURCH—WELCOMERS Saturday 4th January - Sue Sullivan & Annette Scholes Sunday 5th January - Jane Maina & Gladys Gathira</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OUR LADY'S CHURCH CLEANING FOR JANUARY Team A (Teresa, Maram, Juliana, Chiamaka)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS Sunday 5th January - Emmanuel & Nana</p>	<p>A hearing loop system is available in both churches. Please set your hearing aid to 'T' (Telecoil) setting in order for it to work.</p> 
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RECONCILIATION: Our Lady's Saturday 4.15pm—4.45pm: Holy Cross - Wednesday (after Mass)

FR RICHARD HARDSTAFF Please continue to pray for Fr Richard for his speedy recovery.

Message from Fr Richard

*I would like to thank all parishioners for your cards, good wishes and above all your prayers.
I would like to wish you all a blessed Christmastide and a healthy and peaceful New Year.*

JUBILEE YEAR 2025



The theme of the Jubilee Year 2025 is "Pilgrims of Hope." The faithful, united under Christ's banner, always have hope. The expectation that the Lord will come in the present, and at the end of the ages, inspires them to make a pilgrimage to God, and their neighbour. The Jubilee will be opened in our diocese by Bishop Patrick on **Sunday 29th December, at the Cathedral 10.00am Mass.** A free companion booklet is available at the back of church free of charge.

DIOCESAN JUBILEE PRAYER
*God our Father in heaven,
may the faith you have given us
in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour,
and the flame of charity enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
awaken in us this Jubilee Year a missionary heart
for the coming of your Kingdom.
May the gift of your grace
transform us, Pilgrims of Hope,
into your missionary disciples,
blessed with the gifts and talents you give us.
Strengthen us to share our Saviour's message
of love, joy, and peace
with all the people we meet this year,
so that we may help build up your Kingdom on earth.
To you our God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be glory and praise for ever and ever.
Amen.*

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025



Registration is now open for all candidates who wish to receive these sacraments at Holy Cross and Our Lady's Church. Registration forms are available at the back of church and completed forms need to be returned to the parish office by **Sunday 5th January 2025**. Applications are welcome from baptised Catholics who are in School Year 3 and above. If you have any questions please contact the parish office on 0115 9278403 or email: holycrosshucknallandourladysbulwell@dioceseofnottingham.uk

THANK YOU

Thank you to all those who give up their time on a regular basis to cover the essential Ministries in the Church. As this is the time we start to think about new year resolutions and looking forward to the year ahead, why not consider offering some time to the Church. These roles are essential for the Church to survive and grow and it would be good to have as many people on board as possible so that the workload can be shared. If you would like to join any of the ministries within the Church e.g, welcoming, reading, cleaning, RCIA, Children's Liturgy, Café etc., please speak to the office.

TEA & BISCUITS AFTER SUNDAY MASS AT OUR LADY'S

Volunteers required to serve tea & biscuits after Sunday Mass. No prior skills required. Kindly contact the parish office if you are able to offer your help. Thank you.

HOLY CROSS 100 CLUB

Help raise funds for Holy Cross church by joining the 100 club. The draw costs just £4 a month. Registration forms are available at the back of church.

RED MISSIO BOXES OUR LADY'S

Please bring your red boxes to the sacristy. Emmanuel will count and then leave at the back of church for you to col-

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

Bridget Tobin & Bettina Benski who have all died recently. The Requiem Mass for **Bettina Benski** is on **Wednesday 8th January at 12.00noon at Holy Cross** and for **Bridget Tobin on Friday 10th January at 12.45pm at Our Lady's.**

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.



250 CLUB WINNERS

September 2024: 1st No. 53 Mike Meehan, 2nd No. 211 Renata Towlson, 3rd No. 56 Andrea Cockram.
October 2024: 1st No. 176 Attracta Murray, 2nd No. 36 Breege Chapman, 3rd No. 9 Una Ratcliffe.
November 2024: 1st No. 166 Judith Traynor, 2nd No. 83 Emma Braisby, 3rd No. 107 Adelaide Masenhu.
Please collect your prize from the Sacristy. A reminder for those who pay yearly, your payment is due. Many thanks.

*We would like to wish everyone a
Happy New Year.*

BIBLE STUDY MEETINGS - HOLY CROSS

There will be no more meetings until further notice.

PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS AT HOLY CROSS

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

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