



*THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF
OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION
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TIMES OF MASSES AND OTHER SERVICES: Week Commencing 9th September 2018

Twenty - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year B

TWENTY -THIRD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME: 9th – 15th September 2018 (Weekday Cycle Year 2 / Psalter Week III)

<p>Saturday 8th September: <u>The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Feast)</u> NO MORNING MASS NO MORNING CONFESSIONS</p>	<p><i>PARISH FINANCES</i></p>
<p>Saturday 8th September: <u>Twenty - Third Sunday of the Year</u> 5:00 pm: Confessions 5:30 pm: Mass; Pro Populo; People of the Parish</p>	<p>1st / 2nd September 2018</p>
<p>Sunday 9th September: <u>Twenty - Third Sunday of the Year</u> 9:00 am: Mass; Antonio Ferrara RIP</p>	<p>Envelopes: Loose Plate: Standing Orders:</p>
<p>Monday 10th September: <u>Weekday Feria</u> 9:00 am: Mass; Philip Roulstone RIP (Solloway)</p>	<p>TOTAL:</p>
<p>Tuesday 11th September: <u>Weekday Feria</u> 12:30 pm: Confessions 1:00 pm: Mass; Pro Populo; People of the Parish</p>	<p>Chad: Intercare: SVP:</p>
<p>Wednesday 12th September: <u>Weekday Feria</u> 9:00 am: Service of the Word and Holy Communion</p>	<p><i>Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our Parish.</i></p>
<p>Thursday 13th September: <u>St John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor (memoria)</u> 9:00 am: Mass; Holy Souls</p>	<p>*NEXT Sunday is Home Mission Sunday and there will be a SECOND COLLECTION to help support the work of the Home Mission Office.*</p>
<p>Friday 14th September: <u>The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Feast)</u> 12:30 pm: Confessions 1:00 pm: Mass; Special Intention</p>	<p><i>Your Prayers are requested for those who are sick:</i> Isobel Alana Barnes, Meg Bailey, Gerhard Barwitzki, Marica Borsos, Margaret Brown, Pat Constable, Francesca Lina Craparotta, Jim & Margaret Dougan, Fr Theodore Gomes, Ann Harrison, Emilia Nowicki, Bernadette Retallick, Alan Roberts, Maria Sawicki, Simpson Family, Evelyn Venning and Louise Whitham.</p>
<p>Saturday 15th September: <u>Our Lady of Sorrows (memoria)</u> 10:00 am: Mass; Intentions of Isobel Barnes 10:45 am: Confessions</p>	
<p>Saturday 15th September: <u>Twenty - Fourth Sunday of the Year</u> 5:00 pm: Confessions 5:30 pm: Mass; Brian Enright RIP</p>	
<p>Sunday 16th September: <u>Twenty - Fourth Sunday of the Year</u> 9:00 am: Mass; John Garwood RIP (Terri)</p>	

SECOND COLLECTION THIS SUNDAY FOR THE SVP KERALA FLOOD APPEAL

Items for the newsletter can be given to Fr Christopher or e – mailed to frcathomas@live.com by Thursday of each week for inclusion in the next issue.

ROTAS:	5.30 pm	9.00 am
Welcomers:		M Cookson & S Neely
Next Week:		M Simpson & L Newbold
Readers:	A Simmons	S Yarwood
Next Week:	M Sully	C Hallam
Offertory:	J Fox & N Brennan	J Powell & M Calladine
Next Week:	K Twomey & J Lyons	D & D Wilson
Coffee:	V Loffreda & J Backhouse	Next Week: J Powell & M Calladine
Cashiers:	A Simmons	Next Week: J Brennan
Flowers:	Suzanne & Margaret J	Next Week: Kay & Eve
Cleaning:	Team Shalloe	Next Week: Team Freyne
Brasses:	L Newbold	Next Week: E Rodrigues

POOR CLARES: The Sisters send their thanks for all the donations of food, toiletries, cleaning products and financial help they have received from our Parish this week. They want you all to know that our support means so much to them and that we are remembered every day in their prayers. They are to be joined by the Sisters from Wales by 14th September and then there will be 17 Sisters at Bulwell. The next visit will be *Monday 24th September 2018. – Diane Wilson.*

FAIR TRADE: Thanks to everyone who supported the Fair Trade sale last weekend. We continue to support Mary's Meals with all the profit we make from the sale of fairly traded goods. Mary's Meals now feeds over one million school children daily in Africa, Asia and Latin America and is called Mary's Meals after Our Lady – Mary, the Mother of Jesus. The next Fair Trade sale is the *29th / 30th September 2018.*

MISSIO – MISSION TODAY: The autumn edition of the MISSIO magazine is in the porch – please take a copy – it's a very interesting read. If you have a red box that needs emptying could you bring it in or if you would like to have a red box I can let you have one. Many thanks – *Diane Wilson: Parish MISSIO Secretary.*

***HOME MISSION SUNDAY:** Home Mission Sunday is about praying for the spread of the Gospel and the Second Collection next weekend is our opportunity to support this work financially. The money you give to this collection does not go abroad but is used to help Catholics throughout England and Wales become more confident in sharing their faith.*

BAZAAR COMMITTEE MEETING: THIS MONDAY, 10th SEPTEMBER 2018 at 7:00pm in the Hall. The meeting is for planning the Macmillan coffee morning which is on *Saturday 29th September 2018* and to start planning for the Christmas Bazaar on *Saturday 17th November 2018.* Any new faces and any new ideas will be made most welcome. – *The Bazaar Committee.*

KERALA FLOODS: AN SVP APPEAL: As you've probably seen in the media, terrible floods have been taking place in Kerala in southern India. Hundreds of people have been killed and many more are missing; countless homes have been washed away and the monsoon season is set to continue until early September. Kerala is the most Christian state in India – it has more churches than any other region. The leading Catholic volunteering charity, the St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP), is very active there and they are doing great work helping the victims of the flood in local communities. However, they desperately need funds. Please contribute to the *SVP's Kerala Appeal Second Collection THIS WEEKEND.* Cheques should be made out to SVP (write 'Kerala Appeal' on the back) And please remember our sisters and brothers in Kerala in your prayers.

THEOLOGY IN THE PUB: Title: "Is Gay Ok? The Catholic Church and same sex attraction." Speaker: David Donaghue, on Tuesday 24th September 2018 at 8:00pm at The Hand and Heart Pub, Derby Rd, just up from the Cathedral (in the upstairs room). David is a seminarian training for the Priesthood at Oscott College in Birmingham. His thesis is on same sex attraction. All are welcome, just turn up, free entry (though the pub appreciate it if you buy a drink!). More details on our website: <http://www.theologyinthepub.uk>.

SITUATIONS VACANT: Our Lady of Perpetual Succour and the Divine Infant of Prague Parish, Brooklyn Road, Bulwell, Nottingham. NG6 9ES; are seeking to appoint a Parish Administrator for 20 hours per week. Closing date for applications is *20th September 2018.* Shortlisting and Interviews to take place week commencing 24th September 2018. Please visit our website for further information; www.bulwell-and-bestwood-catholic-churches.org.uk or alternatively: Bridget Doyle, Chair of Parish Pastoral Council paulinelynch6@icloud.com. Or for an informal chat please call Fr John Martin: 0115 927 8403 or 07714 460526.

TWENTY - THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR: God is Active in the World.

One absolutely unique doctrine of our Catholic faith is the Incarnation. The incarnation is the doctrine that God, in order to redeem the fallen world, became man. Jesus Christ is, as we profess every week in the Creed, true man and also true God. He is the son of Mary and also the eternal Son of God. Before that amazing day two thousand years ago when the Archangel Gabriel visited the Blessed Virgin Mary and she conceived by the Holy Spirit God was far away. He governed the universe and watched over the human family, but He did it from a distance, so to speak. Certainly He sent prophets to Israel and provided special guidance to His Chosen People of the Old Testament. But when the Second Person of the Holy Trinity became man in the womb of the Virgin Mary, a whole new era began. That is why we date human history according to two different standards: BC and AD. BC was before Christ; AD is "anno Domini," from the year of Our Lord, the year in which God came to dwell among us. God became actively present inside His own creation. Even the old myths about gods interacting with men never conceived of the possibility that the one true God, Creator of all things, would love us so much that He would actually become incarnate, become one of us. That God would take a deaf – mute by the hand, lead him away from the crowds, touch him on the tongue and ears and – in such a human, physical way – cure him, thus fulfilling the wonderful prophecies that we heard in the First Reading. That God Himself would get dirty in order to make us clean: this is Christianity; this is the uniquely and marvellously Catholic view of God.