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TIMES OF MASSES AND OTHER SERVICES: Week Commencing 24th February 2019

Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time: Year C

SEVENTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME: 24th February – 2nd March 2019 (Weekday Cycle Year I / Psalter Week III)

<p><u>Saturday 23rd February:</u> <u>St Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr (memoria)</u> 10:45 am: Confessions</p>	<p><i>PARISH FINANCES</i></p>
<p><u>Saturday 23rd February:</u> <u>Seventh Sunday of the Year: C</u> 4:00 pm: Confessions 4:30 pm: Mass; Pro Populo: People of the Parish 6:30 pm: Mass (St Francis of Assisi Long Eaton): Holy Souls</p>	
<p><u>Sunday 24th February:</u> <u>Seventh Sunday of the Year: C</u> 9:00 am: Mass; Mike & Julia Wilson RIP (D & D Wilson) 11:00 am: Mass (St Francis of Assisi Long Eaton): Pro Populo</p>	<p>16th / 17th February 2019</p>
<p><u>Monday 25th February:</u> <u>Weekday Feria</u> 9:00 am: Mass; David Powell RIP (3rd Anniversary)</p>	<p>Envelopes: Loose Plate: Standing Orders: TOTAL: Chad: Intercare: SVP:</p>
<p><u>Tuesday 26th February:</u> <u>Weekday Feria</u> 12:30 pm: Requiem Mass (St Francis of Assisi Long Eaton): Barbara Woods 1:00 pm: Service of the Word and Holy Communion</p>	<p><i>Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our Parish.</i></p>
<p><u>Wednesday 27th February:</u> <u>Weekday Feria</u> 9:00 am: Service of the Word and Holy Communion</p>	<p><u>SENIOR CITIZENS LUNCH CLUB: THIS Thursday 28th February 2019 at 1:00 pm.</u> For tickets please contact Stella on 0115 925 5140.</p>
<p><u>Thursday 28th February:</u> <u>Weekday Feria</u> 9:00 am: Service of the Word and Holy Communion 9:30 am: Mass (St Francis of Assisi Long Eaton): Pro Populo</p>	<p><i>Your Prayers are requested for those who are sick:</i> Isobel Alana Barnes, Gerhard Barwitzki, Marica Borsos, Margaret Brown, Fr John Cairns, Pat Constable, Francesca Lina Craparotta, Jim & Margaret Dougan, Fr Theodore Gomes, Ann Harrison, Breeda Keaney, Elizabeth Reilly, Alan Roberts, Maria Sawicki, Simpson Family, Bob Solloway, Evelyn Venning, Jenny Weran and Louise Whitham.</p>
<p><u>Friday 1st March:</u> <u>St David, Abbot, Patron of Wales (Feast)</u> 12:30 pm: Confessions 1:00 pm: Mass; Mike Begley RIP (Rosemary)</p>	
<p><u>Saturday 2nd March:</u> <u>Weekday Feria</u> NO MORNING CONFESSIONS</p>	
<p><u>Saturday 2nd March:</u> <u>Eighth Sunday of the Year: C</u> 4:00 pm: Confessions 4:30 pm: Mass; Pro Populo: People of the Parish 6:30 pm: Mass (St Francis): Barbara Woods RIP (St Francis' Wives Group)</p>	
<p><u>Sunday 3rd March:</u> <u>Eighth Sunday of the Year: C</u> 9:00 am: Mass; Heather Dennis RIP (Hopkins) 11:00 am: Mass (St Francis): Special Intention (Saxton) 8:30 pm: Beeston Men: Adoration (Blessed Sacrament Chapel) & Ales</p>	

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:	<i>4:30 pm</i>	<i>9:00 am</i>
Welcomers:		M Cookson & S Neely
Next Week:		M Simpson & L Newbold
Readers:	A Simmons	R Marlow
Next Week:	P Hubberstey	S Grant
Offertory:	J Brennan & J Fox	M Castor & K Garton
Next Week:	K Twomey & J Lyons	J Powell & M Calladine
Coffee:	Arnd & Alessia	Next Week: <i>Parish Brunch</i>
Cashiers:	A Simmons	Next Week: J Brennan
Flowers:	Kay & Eve	Next Week: NO FLOWERS IN LENT
Cleaning:	Team Shalloe	Next Week: Team Freyne
Brasses:	L Newbold	Next Week: E Rodrigues

POOR CLARES: The Community from Wales are now settling in at the convent in Bulwell. I was able to briefly meet the new Reverend Mother and she was so amazed at all the donations that I took from our Parish. She sends her thanks to you all and all our donations are especially welcome. The next visit will be *Monday 25th February 2019*. – *Diane Wilson*.

FAIR TRADE: Many thanks to everyone who supported the last Fair Trade Sale. As in previous years we are continuing to support Mary's Meals – a charity helping to feed Third World schoolchildren. The date of the next Fair Trade sale has been changed from 2nd/3rd March to the following weekend *9th/10th March 2019* when there will be the opportunity to order Fair Trade Easter eggs. Details of the last Sale is on the Fair Trade notice board at the back of the Church.

FRIDAY LENTEN SOUP: As in previous years, starting on *Friday 8th March 2019*, there will be homemade soup and a roll after Mass on the Fridays of Lent. The cost will be £2 each and the proceeds will be given to CAFOD.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Preparation Classes will continue after Mass on *Sunday 10th March 2019* in the Parish Hall at **10:45 am**.

PARISH SAFEGUARDING: I am continuing with the Parish DBS renewals for volunteers with a DBS certificate more than 3 years old where, as far as I am aware, the volunteer has not registered with the update service after they received their last certificate. Father Christopher has envelopes containing the forms for those who need to complete them. I would like to collect in the completed forms after the *9:00 am Mass* on *3rd March* and the *4:30 pm Mass* on *9th March 2019*. Although I need to see the original documents, it would be helpful if as many people as possible bring a photocopy of each identification document as Father has limited time to facilitate copying after Mass before leaving for Long Eaton. Many Thanks – *Rachel McCarthy (Parish Safeguarding Rep)*.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: The Annual World Day of Prayer organized this year by women in Slovenia will take place on *Friday 1st March 2019 at 10:30 am*. It is hosted this year by Beeston Baptist Church in the Resource Centre on Middle Street, Beeston. All welcome.

FORTHCOMING PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS: PARISH BRUNCH; after Mass on *Sunday 3rd March 2019*. Tickets on sale after both Masses this weekend. **BUNNY 'BEETLE';** *Saturday 27th April 2019*. Family Friendly Fun! The Social Committee will be organizing an evening of Bunny themed 'Beetle' and invite you to join them. We will take advantage of the earlier Mass time at Beeston and have a game starting at 6:00 pm. We will break for food (please bring some goodies to share) at around 7:00 pm. We hope that this will mean we will be joined by some families and little people. The game is easy, no skill, just chance and you can play with your little ones. (There is some adding up at the end!). After the food and raffle, we will have another, separate game starting at around 8:00 pm. Families can then have the opportunity to take little ones home if they wish, or stay on for more fun. If you would like to come just for food and the later game, then that is OK too! Tickets will be £1 and on sale from end of March, bring your own drink if something other than tea, coffee or juice!

"HAIR TODAY GONE FOR LENT": With Lent rapidly approaching I have decided to once again brave the blade. The hair will once again be coming off – all of it! This year I thought it might be a useful opportunity to raise funds for charity, specifically Mary's Meals and all the good work they do. There are sponsor forms available so please sign up for any amount in support of this. – *Fr Christopher*.

PRAYER VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED! Are you looking for a challenge during Lent, involving prayer and self – sacrifice? Are you saddened to see the harm done to babies, women and families through abortion? **"40 Days for Life"** is a Christian campaign group whose purpose is to save the lives of unborn children through prayer, fasting and community outreach. With the support of Pope Francis and also Bishop Patrick, we are running our 4th campaign here in Nottingham during Lent 2019. The aim of our prayers is simple: we are praying for an end to abortion. But we also offer support – moral and practical – to women who may be under pressure to have an abortion which they do not want and which they may come to regret. **Our vigil is prayerful, peaceful and non – judgmental.** If you care about abortion and the terrible harm it is doing to our families and friends, please sign up now to pray with us, between **Ash Wednesday (6th March 2019) and Palm Sunday (14th April 2019)** on our webpage www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/Nottingham or contact us at 40daysforlifennotts@gmail.com. If you want to know more before committing, we are holding an information event on *Wednesday 27th February at 7:30pm* in the *McGuinness Room in the Social Centre at St Barnabas' Cathedral*, where you can watch a short video about what is involved and talk to people who have done the vigil before. Come along and find out more! What a fantastic way to prepare for the Solemnity of Easter!