



THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF
OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION,
FOSTER AVENUE, BEESTON,
NOTTINGHAM, NG9 1AE
and
ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH,
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TIMES OF MASSES AND OTHER SERVICES: THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR &
FIFTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME: 9th – 15th February 2020 (Weekday Cycle Year II / Psalter Week I)

<u>Saturday 8th February:</u> <i>Fifth Sunday of the Year: A</i>	<i>PARISH FINANCES</i>
<p>5:30pm: Confessions</p> <p>6:00 pm: Mass; Mrs Pat Rayment RIP</p>	<p>1st / 2nd February 2020</p>
<p><u>Sunday 9th February:</u> <i>Fifth Sunday of the Year: A</i></p> <p>9:00 am: Mass; Dennis & Nancy Spray RIP (Castor)</p> <p>11:00 am: Mass (St Francis); Pro Populo; People of the Parish</p>	
<p><u>Monday 10th February:</u> <i>St Scholastica, Virgin (memoria)</i></p> <p>9:00 am: Mass; Bob Solloway RIP (Murphy)</p> <p>9:30 am: (St Francis); Service of the Word and Holy Communion</p>	<p>Envelopes:</p> <p>Loose Plate:</p> <p>Standing Orders:</p> <p>TOTAL:</p> <p>Chad:</p> <p>Intercare:</p> <p>SVP:</p>
<p><u>Tuesday 11th February:</u> <i>Weekday Feria</i></p> <p>9:30 am: Mass (St Francis); Private Intention</p> <p>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 12th February:</u> <i>Weekday Feria</i></p> <p>9:30 am: (St Francis); Service of the Word and Holy Communion</p> <p>7:00 pm: Mass; Holy Souls</p>	
<p><u>Thursday 13th February:</u> <i>Weekday Feria</i></p> <p>9:00 am: Service of the Word and Holy Communion</p> <p>9:30 am: Mass (St Francis); Kath Dahill RIP (Curtis)</p>	
<p><u>Friday 14th February:</u> <i>Saints Cyril & Methodius, Bishops & Patrons of Europe (Feast)</i></p> <p>12:30 pm: CONFESSIONS</p> <p>1:00 pm: Mass; Celebrant's Intentions</p>	<p><i>Your Prayers are requested for those who are sick:</i></p> <p>Isobel Alana Barnes, Marica Borsos, Jessie Breame, Margaret Brown, Fr John Cairns, Pat Constable, Francesca Lina Craparotta, Jim & Margaret Dougan, Fr Theodore Gomes, Ann Harrison, Fr Peter Harvey, Andrea Hoffman, Breeda Keaney, Elizabeth Reilly, Alan Roberts, Maria Sawicki, Simpson Family, Canon Colin Taylor, and Evelyn Venning.</p>
<p><u>Saturday 15th February:</u> <i>Weekday Feria</i></p> <p>10:45 am: Confessions</p>	
<p><u>Saturday 15th February:</u> <i>Sixth Sunday of the Year: A</i></p> <p>5:30 pm: Confessions</p> <p>6:00 pm: Mass; Mrs Diana Parkhill RIP</p>	
<p><u>Sunday 16th February:</u> <i>Sixth Sunday of the Year: A</i></p> <p>9:00 am: Mass; John Dixon RIP (Cookson)</p> <p>11:00 am: Mass (St Francis); Pro Populo; People of the Parish</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:	6:00 pm	9:00 am
Welcomers:		M Neale
Next Week:		D Wilson & M Roy
Readers:	M Sully	A Horgan
Next Week:	T Johnson	R Marlow
Offertory:	A Simmons & Volunteer	M Castor & K Garton
Next Week:	J Brennan & J Fox	J Powell & M Calladine
Coffee:	Arnd & Alessia	Next Week: J Powell & M Calladine
Cashiers:	J Walton	Next Week: A Simmons
	THIS WEEK	NEXT WEEK
Flowers:	Kay & Eve	Next Week: Shirley & Sue N
Church Cleaning:	Team Agius	Next Week: Team Begley
Hall Cleaning:	Linda & Sheila	Next Week: Diane, Marie & Gerardine
Brasses:	M Castor	Next Week: K Bennett

POOR CLARES: The sisters send their thanks to Parishioners for their kindness in sending food and donations to them. They rely entirely on the donations they receive from us and other benefactors. The next visit will be **Monday 24th February 2020**. – *Diane Wilson*.

FAIR TRADE: A big thank you to everyone who supported the Fair Trade Sale. Once again we are supporting Mary's Meals with all the profit we make from the sale of Fair Trade goods in the Parish. The next sale is **22nd/23rd February 2020**.

THANK YOU; JOHN (JACK) FREDERICK DIXON: I would like to thank Robert for his poetry reading, and all those of our friends who came to the service, especially Margaret and Alan, who were willing helpers, providing cups of tea and sustenance afterwards. Also Richard for the lovely food and not least our five wonderful children who have been a rock for me during Jack's illness and at his passing. God bless you all. – *Teresa*.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: First Holy Communion Classes will begin after Mass **THIS Sunday 9th February 2020**.

PARISH PANCAKE SOCIAL: **Tuesday 25th February 2020 at 7:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. Come and enjoy Pancakes with your Parish Community. Tickets on sale £ 2.00 each.

PARISH TRIP TO ST MARY'S SEMINARY, OSCOTT, SUTTON COLDFIELD – WEDNESDAY 29th APRIL 2020: Leaving Beeston at 10:00 am approx. This Trip includes a Tour of the Seminary and Tea and Cake. The cost of the tour is £10 each which needs to be paid to Marie Calladine by 29th February / 1st March 2020 there will also be an additional cost of transport. Please note that the Seminary does not have a lift and there are quite a few stairs (for further information please speak to Fr Christopher). If you wish to go please put your name on the list at the back of Church, please note there are limited places available.

RCIA PROGRAMME: Our Parishes RCIA Course continues **THIS Wednesday, 12th February 2020 at 7:30 pm** in the Church. The subject for this week: *"The Church."* All welcome.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE is a peaceful and prayerful way to work for an end to abortion. In Nottingham, with the support of Bishop Patrick, we have prayed outside the abortion facility at the QMC during Lent over the last few years: routine abortions no longer take place there. This year we will be at the Stapleford Care Centre, which contains a BPAS abortion clinic. You're invited to stand and peacefully pray for an hour or two during a 40 – Day Vigil running for 12 hours daily during Lent. Please **sign up now** to pray with us at <https://www.40daysforlife.com/Nottingham> or come to our **information evening on 13th February 2020** (details on the website as above) or contact us at 40daysforlifennotts@gmail.com.

ANNUAL (VALENTINE) MARRIAGE MASS: This Annual Diocesan Mass to celebrate the gift of Christian marriage, is where married couples are able to renew their vows before the Bishop and receive his Apostolic blessing on their Marriages. This year, it will take place on **Sunday 16th February 2020 at 3:00 pm** at **St Barnabas Cathedral**. This Mass is open to all married couples, but is especially appropriate to those recently married or celebrating a significant anniversary. All are Welcome. (If you require more details please contact Fr. David Palmer: catholicdavid@mac.com)

OPPORTUNITY TO WORK FOR MARRIAGE CARE: Marriage Care is seeking to appoint a part – time Team Leader to head our Appointment Service. The successful applicant will help us support adult relationships through our marriage preparation and relationship counselling services and will support our gifted team of 600 volunteers across England and Wales. For more information please visit www.marriagecare.org.uk/get-involved. The closing date for applications is **27th February 2020**.

THE CANAAN TRUST: would like to say 'Thank You' for the extremely kind and generous total donation of **£ 742.16** from the Christmas Crib Offerings and other donations. Your support for the Trust's work is truly appreciated and valued. Collectively, with your support, the Trust is enabled to reach out to share the Lord's Love with those who are in need. The Trust cares for men, women and families; for street homeless: for the 62% of homelessness which is hidden; the 40% of homeless who are families. Your donations **DO** help make a difference. At the Trust we always carry the Lord's words in our hearts: 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' – *Kevin Curtis* (Project Manager).