



THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF  
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## TIMES OF MASSES AND OTHER SERVICES: TRINITY SUNDAY: B

Eighth Week of Ordinary Time: 26<sup>th</sup> May – 1<sup>st</sup> June 2024 (Weekday Cycle Year II / Psalter Week IV)

W	<u>Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May:</u>	<i><u>The Most Holy Trinity</u></i> <i><u>(Solemnity): B</u></i>
	5:00 pm: Confessions	
	5:30pm: Vigil Mass;	Margaret Green & Stephen Green RIP (Anniversary) (Sully)
W	<u>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May:</u>	<i><u>The Most Holy Trinity</u></i> <i><u>(Solemnity): B</u></i>
	9:00 am: Mass;	Pro Populo; People of the Parish
	11:00 am: Mass (St Francis);	Intentions of Kiera Morgan Harvey
W	<u>Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May:</u>	<i><u>St Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop</u></i> <i><u>(Feast)</u></i>
	10:00 am: Mass;	Steve Goss RIP (O'Connor)
G	<u>Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May:</u>	<i><u>Weekday Feria</u></i>
	10:00 am: Mass (St Francis);	Elizabeth Monaghan RIP (Anniv) (Cook)
G	<u>Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> May:</u>	<i><u>Weekday Feria</u></i>
	10:00 am: Mass;	Norma Brennan RIP (4 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary) (Joe)
G	<u>Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May:</u>	<i><u>Weekday Feria</u></i>
	NO MORNING MASS	
W	<u>Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May:</u>	<i><u>Visitation of the BVM (Feast)</u></i>
	10:00am: Mass;	Joseph & Bridie Dunne RIP
W	<u>Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June:</u>	<i><u>The Most Holy Body &amp; Blood of</u></i> <i><u>Christ: Corpus Christi (Solemnity): B</u></i>
	5:00 pm: Confessions	
	5:30 pm: Vigil Mass;	John Corrigan RIP (Evans)
W	<u>Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June:</u>	<i><u>The Most Holy Body &amp; Blood of</u></i> <i><u>Christ: Corpus Christi (Solemnity): B</u></i>
	9:00 am: Mass;	Pro Populo; People of the Parish
	11:00 am: Mass (St Francis);	Jim Willis RIP (Doherty)

### PARISH FINANCES

18<sup>th</sup> / 19<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Envelopes: £ 164. 50

Loose Plate: £ 350. 52

S / Orders: £ 410. 00

**TOTAL: £ 925. 02**

*Thank you for your continued  
generosity and support of our  
Parish.*

*Your Prayers are  
requested for those who  
are sick:*

Kathleen Anderson,  
Isobel Alana Barnes,  
Marica Borsos,  
Margaret Brown,  
Des Burrows  
Ann Harrison,  
Fr Peter Harvey,  
Andrea Hoffman,  
Breeda Keaney,  
Brenda Lowe,  
Julie Mortimer,  
Anne – Marie Reid,  
Simpson Family,  
Eileen Thompson  
Kay Twomey,  
Evelyn Venning  
and John Wilcox.

Items for the newsletter can be given to Fr Christopher or e – mailed to [frcathomas@outlook.com](mailto:frcathomas@outlook.com) by WEDNESDAY of each week for inclusion in the next issue

**PARISH PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATION:** To mark 70 years of our Parish Church and 40 years of our Parish Hall we will be celebrating with a Mass and a Hog Roast on **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2024 at 6:30 pm.** Tickets will be on sale for this event priced at £15 per Adult – Children (5 – 16 year-olds) £10. Ticket price includes Hog Roast, various salads, cake, soft drinks and wine, so please put this date in your diary and save for your ticket, to come and enjoy a great evening celebrating our Parish Community. (NB: There will be Vegan/Vegetarian options available).

**TICKETS NOW ON SALE.**

**Please note that due to submitting numbers to the caterers, the last date to purchase tickets will be Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2024.**

**THE NEW LECTIONARY:** The Lectionary which contains the Scripture readings for Mass and the Sacraments, is changing as part of the continuing process of revising Liturgical translations. The process began with the Roman Missal in 2011 and has continued with all the other Liturgical texts The New Lectionary will use both the English Standard Version – Catholic Edition of the Bible and the Abbey Psalter for the Psalms. These changes are meant to make the Biblical translations more faithful to the original languages, to reflect current Biblical Scholarship and to provide a text for use in Liturgical settings that is more proclaimable and where appropriate more inclusive. The New Lectionary will become mandatory for use in all Catholic Parishes in England and Wales from Advent 2024. In readiness for these changes, a new set of Lectionaries (in four volumes) and a Book of the Gospels will have to be purchased for our Parish at a cost of about **£ 1,500. 00.** As with the New Missal, I know that some parishioners like to donate such items in memory of a loved one. However, this is an opportunity for any parishioner who wishes, to consider making a donation of any amount (I would not expect one person to pay the full cost) and the names of your nominated loved ones will be inscribed on the inside cover of the New Lectionaries. If you are interested in doing this there will be sheets available to put names on (much like November Dead List).

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** The next Class for the First Holy Communion course for the Children and their Parents, “*Do this in memory of Me,*” will be on **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2024 before Mass at 10:00 am** in St Francis of Assisi Parish Hall; “*Body of Christ,*” will be on **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2024, after Mass** in The Assumption Parish Hall. If for any reason you are unable to attend these classes, please contact me as soon as possible to let me know. There will also be a **Retreat Day on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2024** (times to be confirmed). ***Please note that attendance at Mass is very much a part of the preparation for First Holy Communion and not an optional extra.***

**SERVICE FOR THE SICK:** The SVP will be hosting a Service for the Sick on **Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2024 at 3:00 pm.** Refreshments will be served in the Hall afterwards. Anyone wishing to attend the Service please put their name and telephone number on the list at the back of Church. Also please tick on the list if you require transport on the day. Everyone is welcome to attend the Service and enjoy refreshments afterwards but only those who are Catholic and have health needs will be able receive the Sacrament of the Sick. (The Beeston SVP Conference would like to thank you for your continued financial support. The work we have carried out using your donations includes: over 1200 hours of Service to our local community; this includes individual visits, Group Events for elderly members of our Parish (Afternoon Tea & Service of the Sick); providing food for those in poverty, donations to The Hope Food Bank, Jericho Road, Woman’s Refuge, Prison Chaplaincy, The Canaan Trust, Educational Twinnage Scheme India. Special donation to Mission without Borders, Mass stipends for deceased members of our Parish. Please note that we are here for all who are in need, so if for any reason you need assistance please do not hesitate to contact in confidence any member of our Conference. – **BEESTON SVP.**

**CATHOLIC MEN’S GROUP:** Adoration and Ales is back! Join us at The Assumption, Beeston on **Sunday 2nd June 2024 at 8:30 pm** for an hour of Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament, followed by Ales (or drink of your choice) at one of our local pubs. Hope to see you there! Any questions ask David Aldred or Fr Christopher.

**CHURCH COLLECTION ENVELOPES / DIRECT DEBITS:** New collection envelopes will be available shortly from the back of the Church, if you are new to the Parish and would like a set of envelopes or set up a direct debit for your offering, please contact Marie Calladine ([marie\\_calladine@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:marie_calladine@hotmail.co.uk) or 07850 978788) or catch me after Mass. Also if you are a UK tax payer we can claim gift aid on your donation, in the last year we have claimed an amazing **£ 6904. 80** from Parishioner donations at no extra cost to the donor. If you would like a Gift Aid Declaration Form collect one from me. Thank you for your continued financial support of our Parish. – **Marie Calladine**

**A REFLECTION FROM POPE FRANCIS FOR THE YEAR OF PRAYER, TRINITY SUNDAY:** Prayer leads us into the life of the Holy Trinity, into the eternal mystery of God’s love, which is the source and joy of the entire universe. Conscious of our unworthiness of so great a gift, we, like the disciples, can cry out “Lord, teach us to pray” (Luke 11<sup>1</sup>). Jesus teaches us not only the words to use in prayer, but shows us the boundless mercy of the Father. May our prayer draw us ever more fully into the loving communion of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. To read the full reflection and find more resources at [www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer](http://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer)