



THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF  
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NG9 1AE  
and  
ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH, TAMWORTH  
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**Times of Masses and other Services: Twenty – First Sunday of the Year: B.**  
**Twenty – First Week of Ordinary Time: 25<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024 (Weekday Cycle Year II / Psalter Week I)**

**G** Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> August: *Twenty – First Sunday of the Year*

5:00 pm: Confessions

5:30pm: Vigil Mass; Fr Martin Nott RIP (Anne)

**G** Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August: *Twenty – First Sunday of the Year*

9:00 am: Mass; Jozef & Marta Hajas RIP

11:00 am: Mass (St Francis); David R Morgans Snr. RIP (26<sup>th</sup> Anniv)  
(Harvey)

**W** Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August: *Blessed Dominic Barberi, Priest*  
*(memoria)*

10:00 am: Mass; M C Louis RIP (21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary) (Robin)

**W** Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August: *St Monica, (memori)*

10:00 am: Mass (St Francis); Peggy Spencer RIP  
(St Francis Wives Group)

**W** Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August: *St Augustine, Bishop & Doctor*  
*(memoria)*

10:00 am: Mass; Robert & Kathleen Dixon (57<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniver)

**R** Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August: *The Passion of St John the Baptist*  
*(memoria)*

**NO MORNING MASS**

**W** Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August: *Dedication of Our Cathedral (Feast)*

10:00 am: Mass; Bella Lyons & Claire Lyons RIP

**G** Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August: *Twenty – Second Sunday of the Year*

5:00 pm: Confessions

5:30 pm: Vigil Mass; Pro Populo; People of the Parish

**G** Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September: *Twenty – Second Sunday of the Year*

9:00 am: Mass; Jones & Lally Family

11:00 am: Mass (St Francis); John Halton RIP

**PARISH  
FINANCES**

17<sup>th</sup> / 18<sup>th</sup> August 2024

Envelopes: £ 254. 00

Loose Plate: £ 310. 28

S / Orders: £ 418. 00

**TOTAL: £ 982. 28**

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

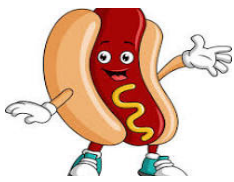
*Your Prayers are  
requested for those  
who are sick:*

Kathleen Anderson,  
Isobel Alana Barnes,  
Marica Borsos, Des Burrows  
Ann Harrison,  
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

**RCIA PROGRAMME:** Our Parishes RCIA Course will begin on *Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2024* at *7:30 pm* in the Assumption Church Hall. This will be an initial meeting to discuss the outline and format of the course for those who are looking to be Received into the Church next Easter. All welcome. If you have any questions or would like any further information please speak to me. – *Fr Christopher*

**CHURCH / HALL CLEANING – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** I will shortly be updating / recreating the Church / Hall Cleaning Rota, and I am trying to muster up some new recruits so if you could offer some of your time (roughly 1 hour per month) to become part of a cleaning team for the Church / Hall, you could volunteer as family team or a friendship group, or alternatively join a new team and meet fellow parishioners. It would be great if you could help out to keep our Church and Hall sparkly clean. No previous experience required, just a little enthusiasm. The more teams created the less your turn will come around. Guidance will be given. If you feel that you could help in anyway, please put your name and contact details on the form at the back or contact me directly by text on 07850 978788 or [marie\\_calladine@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:marie_calladine@hotmail.co.uk). Thank you – *Marie*. **BIG CLEAN CHURCH / HALL – SATURDAY 7<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2024 from 10:30 AM – ALL WELCOME – REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED**



**PARISH FAMILY BBQ – SUNDAY 15<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2024 from 2:30 pm**

**(ALL WELCOME):** A time to all come together after the Summer Break, enjoy some food, drink, good weather (hopefully) and each other's company. Tickets: Single £5.00 – Family £20.00 (2 Adults 3 Children). Tickets will cover the cost of BBQ items and will be on sale next weekend. There is a list at the back of the

Church of shared table items, (Salads / Desserts) if you would like to contribute, please put your name against an item. This is not a fundraiser but a Fun Raiser so let's come together as a Parish Community and have some Fun. – *Parish Social Committee*.

**SVP SUMMER AFTERNOON TEA:** *SUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2024 at 2:30 pm*. The SVP will be hosting their annual Summer Afternoon Tea in the Church Hall for our elderly or housebound Parishioners on the above date. A full Afternoon tea will be provided, a Raffle and some form of entertainment. There will be a list at the back of Church for people to put their names on and please state if you require transport to the hall. If anyone cannot get to Church please ring one of the numbers below to let us know if you wish to come. This event is always a pleasant afternoon so please come and enjoy time with your friends and some nice food. If anyone has any dietary requirements do please let us know. Thankyou. – ***BEESTON SVP*** (Marie: 07850 978788 or Margaret: 07885 217795).

**LEVEL 3 SAFEGUARDING TRAINING FOR VOLUNTEERS WITH A DBS:** The Diocesan Safeguarding Team have requested that all volunteers with a DBS complete the CSSA safeguarding Level 3 training – SVP members, Adult Altar servers, Music Group members, Eucharistic Ministers, Catechists and Children's Liturgy volunteers. (*Choir members do not need to do this training as currently there is no child member*). It is an online training package <https://training.catholicsafeguarding.org.uk>. It takes 60 – 90 minutes to complete with a short quiz at the end. The training is self – paced, allowing you to learn at a time that best suits your schedule. It needs to be completed regardless of current / previous safeguarding training in employment or any other volunteer role. There is a requirement to complete it by *1<sup>st</sup> November 2024*. I do plan to put on a group session in September / October for those volunteers who prefer to do the package as a group. (refreshments will be provided) If this is your preference, please let me know. Many thanks for your cooperation – Carolyn Walley PSR (Parish Safeguarding Representative).

**A REFLECTION FROM POPE FRANCIS FOR THE YEAR OF PRAYER, ON THE TWENT – FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR:** Our parents, who first taught us to pray, planted within us a seed that matures through our experience of the Christian life. Particularly at difficult moments in life, we come to realize the importance of prayer in strengthening our faith and hope. Jesus insists on the need of His disciples to pray tirelessly and without ceasing: to pray and to teach others to pray is essential for the Church's mission of proclaiming the Gospel, serving Christ in our brothers and sisters, and drawing all people into the unity of His kingdom. Full reflection at [www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer](http://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer).

**MARCH FOR LIFE:** As Catholics we must do all that we can to defend human life, in all forms and at all stages. But our belief that life is a sacred gift from God is not shared by all. Under the new government, decriminalisation of abortion and assisted suicide will both soon be debated in Parliament. On *Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2024* there will be an opportunity to witness to our belief in the value of life with the annual **March for Life** in Westminster. More information is available at [www.marchforlife.co.uk/2024-event-page](http://www.marchforlife.co.uk/2024-event-page). There will be a coach going from Nottingham; for information, and to book, contact [MarieLangford@live.co.uk](mailto:MarieLangford@live.co.uk) (07948 151264).