



The Catholic Church of
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and

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Times of Masses and other Services: Sixth Sunday of the Year: C.

Sixth Week of Ordinary Time: 16th – 22nd February 2025 (Weekday Cycle Year I / Psalter Week II)

PARISH FINANCES	
G	Saturday 15th February: <i>Sixth Sunday of the Year: C</i> 5:00pm: Confessions 5:30pm: Vigil Mass; Special Intention
G	Sunday 16th February: <i>Sixth Sunday of the Year: C</i> 9:00 am: Mass; Pro Populo: People of the Parish 11:00 am: Mass (St Francis); Asuncion Sanchez RIP (Anniv) (Shaw)
G	Monday 17th February: <i>Weekday Feria</i> 10:00 am: Mass; Special Intention
G	Tuesday 18th February: <i>Weekday Feria</i> 9:30 am: Mass (St Francis); Holy Souls
G	Wednesday 19th February: <i>Weekday Feria</i> 10:00 am: Mass; Kathleen Dixon (80 th Birthday)
G	Thursday 20th February: <i>Weekday Feria</i> NO MORNING MASS
G	Friday 21st February: <i>Weekday Feria</i> 10:00 am: Mass; Private Intention
W	Saturday 22nd February: <i>The Chair of St Peter (Feast)</i> 11:00 am: Baptism; Asa John Vianney Blessan
G	Saturday 22nd February: <i>Sixth Sunday of the Year: C</i> 5:00 pm: Confessions 5:30 pm: Vigil Mass; Betty McAndrew RIP (Curtis)
G	Sunday 23rd February: <i>Sixth Sunday of the Year: C</i> 9:00 am: Mass; Pro Populo: People of the Parish 11:00 am: Mass (St Francis); Val Robinson RIP (Wives Group)
<p><i>8th / 9th February 2025</i></p> <p>Envelopes: £ 258. 00 Loose Plate: £ 276. 86 S / Orders: £ 475. 70 TOTAL: £ 1010. 56</p> <p><i>Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our Parish.</i></p> <p><i>Your Prayers are requested for those who are sick:</i></p> <p>Kathleen Anderson, Isobel Alana Barnes, Marica Borsos, Mary Evans, Ann Harrison, Andrea Hoffman, Breedia Keaney, Francis Kildear, Brenda Lowe, Jim Lowe, Michael Morrissey, Julie Mortimer, Anne – Marie Reid, Simpson Family, Eileen Thompson Kay Twomey, Evelyn Venning and John Wilcox.</p>	

SUNDAY MISSALS (Proper Prayers & Readings pages 987ff / Order of the Mass pages 522ff).

REQUIESCAT IN PACE: Please remember in your prayers to pray for the repose of the soul of *Oscar Harrison*, formerly of Greenland Crescent, Beeston who died on Monday 13th January 2025. Oscar's Requiem Mass will take place on **Monday 10th March 2025 at 10:30 am**, followed by burial at Beeston Cemetery. Also, *Maureen Stratford*, formerly of Ireton Grove, who died on Friday 10th January 2025 and Maureen's Funeral arrangements will appear in the Newsletter when known. We remember them and their families in our prayers. May they rest in peace.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Next weekend we welcome into our Parish Community: *Asa John Vianney Blessan* who will received the Sacrament of Baptism on **Saturday 22nd February 2025**. We pray for him and his parents, *Baby* and *Ann Mariyan* on this happy occasion.

RCIA PROGRAMME: Our Parishes RCIA Course will continue on **Monday, 24th February 2025** at **7:30 pm** in the Assumption Church Hall. The subject for this Session will be ***Baptism and Confirmation***. All welcome. If you have any questions or would like any further information please speak to me. – *Fr Christopher*.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: First Holy Communion Classes continue on **Sunday 23rd February 2025 at 10:00 am** before Mass at St Francis of Assisi.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2025: Classes for the Sacrament of Confirmation will continue in The Assumption Parish Hall on **Friday 28th February 2025** from **7:00 – 8:30 pm**.

YOUNG ADULTS: On **Friday 28th February 2025** Bishop Patrick will celebrate Mass at Saint Barnabas Cathedral at **10:00 pm** for Young Adults (18 – 35) making use of the beautiful lighting in the Cathedral for 'Nottingham Night Light'. If you would like to support the Mass in any way, e.g. Reading, Serving, Welcoming, then please contact charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk. **Saturday 22nd March 2025**, Youth 2000 is running a day retreat for all young adults (18 – 35) at The Briars, Crich, DE4 5BW. The day will include lunch and dinner, inputs, prayer, and Mass with Bishop Patrick. To purchase a ticket and find out more visit: <https://youth2000.churchsuite.com/events/eo9c6nuj> and for more information contact: charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: is an internationally coordinated 40 day campaign that seeks to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach and a peaceful all – day vigil close to places where abortions are carried out. There has been a campaign in Nottingham since 2016. Abortion hurts women as well as ending the lives of innocent unborn children, and since the introduction of 'pills by post' the number of abortions in our communities has risen to record levels. If you would like to do something to end this terrible injustice, join in prayer and witness during Lent 2025. To learn more come to the launch event on **Wednesday 19th February 2025** at **7:00 pm** in Cathedral Hall, Nottingham NG1 5AE; or email pro-life@dioceseofnottingham.uk

THE CATHOLIC UNION: is holding a ***Webinar on the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill*** on **Thursday 3rd April 2025** at **6:30 pm**. Chaired by Baroness Hollins, President of the Catholic Union, it will give members and supporters the chance to unpick the Bill guided by three experts: Dr Matthew Doré; Dr Philip Howard and Professor Julian Hughes, before the Bill returns to the Commons' Chamber for Third Reading on 25th April 2025. To sign up for the webinar register at www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/hard-cases-dont-make-good-law-assisted-suicide-webinar-tickets-1233106176769?aff=oddtcreator

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