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Times of Masses and other Services: Seventeenth Sunday: C.

Seventeenth Week of Ordinary Time: 27th July – 2nd August 2025 (Weekday Cycle Year I / Psalter Week I)

G Saturday 26th July: *Seventeenth Sunday of the Year: C*

5:00 pm: Confessions

5:30 pm: Vigil Mass; Derek Naylor RIP (Anniversary) (Sue)

G Sunday 27th July: *Seventeenth Sunday of the Year: C*

9:00 am: Mass; Pro Populo; People of the Parish

11:00 am: Mass (St Francis); Bill Stanton RIP (Curtis)

G Monday 28th July: *Weekday Feria*

10:00 am: Mass; Fr Vincent Kanyankole RIP (Kerry)

W Tuesday 29th July: *SS Martha, Mary & Lazarus (memoria)*

10:00 am: Mass (St Francis); Louise Aldred RIP

G Wednesday 30th July: *Weekday Feria*

10:00 am: Mass; Special Intention (Jane & Pauline)

W Thursday 31st July: *St Ignatius of Loyola, Priest (memoria)*

NO MORNING MASS

W Friday 1st August: *St Alphonsus Mary de'Liguori, Bishop & Doctor (memoria)*

10:00 am: Mass; Bella Lyons & Claire Sheridan RIP (Jim)

G Saturday 2nd August: *Eighteenth Sunday of the Year: C*

5:00 pm: Confessions

5:30 pm: Vigil Mass; In Thanksgiving (PS)

G Sunday 3rd August: *Eighteenth Sunday of the Year: C*

9:00 am: Mass; Pro Populo; People of the Parish

11:00 am: Mass (St Francis); Sarah & Michael Munnelly RIP (Anniversary) (Willis)

PARISH FINANCES

19th / 20th July
2025

Envelopes: £ 260. 00

Loose Plate: £ 208. 20

S / Orders: £ 475. 70

TOTAL: £ 943. 90

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,
Mary Evans,
Andrea Hoffman,
Breda Keaney,
Margaret King,
Brenda Lowe,
Michael Morrissey,
Julie Mortimer,
Anne – Marie Reid,
Simpson Family,
Eileen Thompson
Kay Twomey,
Evelyn Venning
and John Wilcox.

**TODAY IN OUR DIOCESE IS A SPECIAL DAY OF PRAYER AS WE CELEBRATE THE
DIOCESAN JUBILEE OF GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY.**

REQUIESCAT IN PACE: Please remember in your prayers to pray for the repose of the soul of *Judy Spittle*, formerly of St Francis of Assisi Parish, who died on **Saturday 5th July 2025** aged 89 years. Judy's Requiem Mass will take place at **St Mary's Church, Vivian Road, Harborne, Birmingham B17 0DN** on **Monday 4th August 2025** at **11:30 am**. Judy will be Buried at **Longmoor Cemetery** on **Tuesday 5th August 2025** also at **11:30 am**. If anyone would like to attend Judy's Requiem Mass in Birmingham Kevin Curtis has a limited number of places on a minibus. We pray for her and her family at this sad time. May she rest in peace.

THE ASSUMPTION FEAST DAY FAMILY BBO: **Sunday 17th August 2025 from 3:00 pm**. Tickets: £5 each or £20 for a family (2 Adults 3 children ages 4 – 16 years). There will be a shared table so if you could bring either a Salad / Dessert and also bring your own drinks. **Tickets will be on sale this weekend.**

THE CANAAN TRUST: has now formally opened Aspire House (**12th July 2025**). On behalf of the Trust Kevin Curtis would like to express their gratitude and appreciation for all your support, through food and financial donations and prayers. The Trust recognises that it is through such kind and generous support that the Trust can deliver and work in the Vineyard of the Lord.

Join the diocese for a special **YOUNG ADULTS' PILGRIMAGE TO ROME** between **Friday 5th and Monday 8th September 2025** for the Canonisation of Blessed Carlo Acutis and Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati. The Pilgrimage is open to anyone aged 18 – 35 years, costing £475 per person based on sharing a room, with financial help available. For more information and to book a place email: vocations@dioceseofnottingham.uk

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME & ASSISI IN THIS HOLY YEAR: led by Canon Chris Thomas, Parish Priest at Holy Family Parish, East Nottingham. Flying from Birmingham on **Monday 3rd November 2025** and returning **Friday 7th November 2025** with accommodation in Rome for 2 nights and 2 nights in Assisi. The cost is £1056 per person plus £135 for single supplement. They have seven spaces left – itinerary includes; procession through the Holy Doors, Mass in St Peter's, guided tour of the City, visiting the Catacombs and St Paul's outside the walls. Contact Diane at ccen@dioceseofnottingham.uk for further information and booking form or contact Tangney Tours: Sarah@tangney-tours.com.

ANNUAL UK MARCH FOR LIFE 2025: will take place in London on **Saturday 6th September 2025**. Join with thousands of others from all over the UK who believe that all life is sacred, as we march through the streets of London to the Houses of Parliament. The Walk is peaceful, legal and always spiritually uplifting. There will be a coach from Nottingham, picking up from Good Shepherd Arnold and Cathedral Derby Road, costing adults £30, unwaged including students £15, under 16s £10. To book on the coach or for more information contact Marie (marielangford@live.co.uk, 07948 151264). *"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."*

WORLD DAY AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS: **Wednesday 30th July 2025**. Human trafficking is one of the great human rights challenges of our time, described by Pope Francis as a "crime against humanity". Join the Santa Marta Group for an evening of awareness and sharing, as Kevin Hyland OBE and other speakers discuss the scale of human trafficking in our local and global communities, and the role of the Catholic Church and faith groups in preventing it. Register to attend the webinar at <https://bit.ly/trafficking2025>

PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

Lord our God, you have given these your faithful the grace to maintain their hope in you through all life's changes and to taste and see your goodness. We bless you for the gifts you have showered on them for so many years. We ask that they may find joy in a renewed strength of spirit, and in the company of their families, that they may have good health and that they may inspire us by the example of their serene way of life. Amen.

Items for the newsletter can be given to Fr Christopher or e – mailed to frcathomas@outlook.com by WEDNESDAY (before 6:00 pm) of each week for inclusion in the next issue.