



**The Catholic Church of Our Lady of the
Assumption,
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and
**St Francis of Assisi Church, Tamworth Road,
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Times of Masses and other Services: The Baptism of the Lord: A.

First Week of Ordinary Time: 11th – 17th January 2026 (Weekday Cycle Year II / Psalter Week I)

W Saturday 10th January: *The Baptism of the Lord (Feast)*

5:00 pm: Confessions

5:30 pm: Vigil Mass; Rose & Michael McIntyre RIP (Evans)

W Sunday 11th January: *The Baptism of the Lord (Feast)*

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

11:00 am: Mass (St Francis); David Muldoon RIP (Curtis)

G Monday 12th January: *Weekday Feria*

10:00 am: Mass; Teresa & Louis Walsh RIP (Evans)

G Tuesday 13th January: *Weekday Feria*

10:00 am: Mass (St Francis); Mary – Anne Barrett RIP (Willis)

G Wednesday 14th January: *Weekday Feria*

10:00 am: Mass; Holy Souls

G Thursday 15th January: *Weekday Feria*

NO MORNING MASS

G Friday 16th January: *Weekday Feria*

10:00 am: Mass; Carmel & Patsy McIntyre (Evans)

G Saturday 17th January: *Second Sunday of the Year: A*

5:00 pm: Confessions

5:30 pm: Vigil Mass; Dorothy Atkin RIP (D & B Smith)

G Sunday 18th January: *Second Sunday of the Year: A*

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

11:00 am: Mass (St Francis); Savill Family (Veronica)

PARISH FINANCES

3rd / 4th January
2026

Envelopes: £ 246. 00

Loose Plate: £ 212. 91

S / Orders: £ 475. 70

TOTAL: £ 934. 61

*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,

Kathleen Fisher,

Andrea Hoffman,

Breeda Keaney,

Margaret King,

Brenda Lowe,

Michael Morrissey,

Julie Mortimer,

Anne – Marie Reid,

Simpson Family,

Kay Twomey,

Evelyn Venning

and John Wilcox.

SUNDAY MISSALS (Proper Prayers & Readings Sunday pages 129 ff)

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.

REQUIESCAT IN PACE: Please remember in your prayers to pray for the repose of the soul of *Eileen Thompson*, formerly of Myrtle Grove, Beeston, who died on *Friday 31st October 2025*, aged 70 years. Eileen's Requiem Mass take place on *Monday 26th January 2026* at *11:00 am* followed by Cremation at Bramcote Crematorium. Also, please remember in your prayers *Mrs Tita Saccomando*, formerly of Seaburn Road, Toton who died on *Wednesday 17th December 2025* aged 88 years. Tita's Requiem Mass will take place on *Thursday 29th January 2026* at *10:00 am* followed by Burial at Beeston Cemetery. We remember them and their families at this sad time May they rest in peace.

BEESTON SVP will be hosting the above Afternoon Tea in January for our elderly or housebound parishioners. Most of you will have had an invitation and we invite you to put your names on the list at the back of Church (if you have not already done so). If anyone feels they have been missed please inform us or put your name on the list. If anyone is unable to get to church or if they have any dietary requirements please ring Marie 07850 978788 or Margaret 07885 217795 so that we can add you to the list. We look forward to seeing you all in January. – *BEESTON SVP*.

RCIA PROGRAMME: Our Parishes RCIA Course will begin again on *Monday 12th January 2026* at *7:30 pm* in the Assumption Church Hall. The subject for this Second Session will be *The Light of Christ*. All welcome. If you have any questions or would like any further information please speak to me. – *Fr Christopher*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026: We will begin our Parish preparations for the 2026 First Confession and First Holy Communion Programme in early February. Could I ask that the parents of any children in the Parish who are in School Year 3 and above and who have not made their First Holy Communion please see me after Mass to collect an Enrolment Form for their child (ren) and return the completed Form (s) to me on or before *Sunday 1st February 2026*.

CALLING ALL HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS AND SUPPORT WORKERS: the *Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Health Team* needs you. Join us between *Monday 13th and Friday 17th July 2026* for a unique opportunity to deliver care in a different context and provide advice and support to Pilgrims during travel and whilst in Lourdes. We deliver community – based care in a hotel setting to a group of 200 pilgrims, with a small proportion needing regular care interventions and support to attend services and events. You must: Have experience as a Registered Nurse, Nurse Associate, Paramedic, Doctor or Healthcare Support Worker; Have a passport which is current for a minimum of three months from the first date of travel; be a UK or French citizen or have an appropriate visa to travel to France. For more details join our Teams information evening on *Thursday 15th January 2026* from *7:30 pm*: email for the link: David Knight: david@sthughslincoln.org.uk or Dee Ellidge: dellidge@lincoln.ac.uk

DEANERY ROADSHOWS: The Nottingham and Sherwood Deaneries will meet on the *Tuesday 27th January 2026* at *7:00 pm* in the Holy Trinity Parish Centre, Newark. The purpose of these Roadshows is to discuss the new Diocesan Pastoral Plan. Parishioners are warmly invited to attend this Meeting and if you would like to attend / need more information please speak to me as soon as possible.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF EASTER AND THE MOVEABLE FEASTS 2026: As we have rejoiced at the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, so by leave of God's mercy we announce to you also the joy of His Resurrection, who is our Saviour. On the eighteenth day of February will fall Ash Wednesday, and the beginning of the Fast of the most Sacred Lenten Season. On the Fifth day of April you will celebrate with joy Easter Day, the Paschal Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ. On the Fourteenth day of May will be the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. On the Twenty – Fourth day of May the Feast of Pentecost. On the Seventh day of June, the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. On the Twenty – Ninth day of November, the First Sunday of the Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom is honour and glory forever and ever. Amen.

CYCLE OF PRAYER DURING ORDINARY TIME: Peace on Earth; especially on Sunday 18th January, Openness to the Word of God; especially on Sunday 25th January; Christian Unity; especially between Sunday 18th January and Sunday 25th January, Victims of Trafficking and those who combat it; especially on Sunday 8th February, The Sick and those who care for them; especially on Wednesday 11th February and, The Unemployed; especially on Sunday 15th February.