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Times of Masses and other Services: Fourth Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday): A.

Fourth Week of Easter: 26th April – 2nd May 2026 (Weekday Cycle Year II / Psalter Week IV)

<p>W <u>Saturday 25th April:</u> <u>Fourth Sunday of Easter: C (Good Shepherd Sunday)</u></p> <p>5:00 pm: Confessions</p> <p>5:30 pm: Vigil Mass; Pro Populo; People of the Parish</p> <p>W <u>Sunday 26th April:</u> <u>Fourth Sunday of Easter: C (Good Shepherd Sunday)</u></p> <p>9:00 am: Mass; Dianne Burton (Hall)</p> <p>11:00 am: Mass (St Francis); Intentions of Kiera Morgan Harvey</p> <p>W <u>Monday 27th April:</u> <u>Easter Feria</u></p> <p>10:00 am: Mass; Henry Power RIP (9th Anniversary) & William Power RIP (Beatriz)</p> <p>W <u>Tuesday 28th April:</u> <u>Easter Feria</u></p> <p>10:00 am: Mass (St Francis); Holy Souls</p> <p>W <u>Wednesday 29th April:</u> <u>St Catherine of Sienna, Virgin & Doctor. Patron of Europe (Feast)</u></p> <p>10:00 am: Mass; Louise Aldred RIP (1st Anniversary) (David)</p> <p>W <u>Thursday 30th April:</u> <u>Easter Feria</u></p> <p>7:00 pm (St Francis); Adoration & Benediction</p> <p>W <u>Friday 1st May:</u> <u>Easter Feria</u></p> <p>10:00 am: Mass; Private Intention</p> <p>W <u>Saturday 2nd May:</u> <u>Fifth Sunday of Easter: C</u></p> <p>5:00 pm Confessions</p> <p>5:30 pm: Vigil Mass; Moya Mason RIP (Evans)</p> <p>W <u>Sunday 3rd May:</u> <u>Fifth Sunday of Easter: C</u></p> <p>9:00 am: Mass; Pro Populo; People of the Parish</p> <p>11:00 am: Mass (St Francis); Dec'd Members of the Munnelly Family (Willis)</p> <p>8:30 pm: Adoration & Ales: Adoration Chapel</p>	<p>PARISH FINANCES</p> <p>18th / 19th April 2026</p> <p>Envelopes: £ 247. 00</p> <p>Loose Plate: £ 418. 07</p> <p>S / Orders: £ 621. 00</p> <p>TOTAL: £ 1286. 07</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, 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.</p>
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SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND FOR THE CLERGY FORMATION FUND

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: First Holy Communion Classes will continue **THIS Sunday, 26th April 2026** and **Sunday 10th May 2026** immediately after 9:00 am Mass in the Assumption Parish Hall.

PARISH TEA AND CAKE DROP – IN: Everyone is invited to come along to our *Monthly Tea and Cake Drop – In*, for a relaxed and friendly chat and catch-up with fellow parishioners. Tea, coffee and home – made cakes will be served from **2:00 pm – 4:00 pm**, in the **Church Hall**, on the **last Thursday** of the Month. The first Drop – In will be on **THURSDAY 30th APRIL 2026**. There will be no charge, as such, but a small donation to charity would be welcome. Do come along and join us. We would love to see you, there! – *Stella and the Baking Team* (Any questions: Contact Stella on 07809 559131)

ADORATION & BENEDICTION: will take place on *Thursday Evenings at 7:00 pm* in St Francis of Assisi Church, Long Eaton.

CATHOLIC MEN OF THE PARISH: Join us at The Assumption, Beeston **NEXT Sunday, 3rd May 2026 at 8:30 pm** for an hour of Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament, followed by a drink at one of our local pubs. Hope to see you there! Any questions ask David Aldred or Fr Christopher. (*In association with Catholic Man UK. For more information see: <https://catholicman.uk/>*).

BEESTON ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: All our members would like to thank all the parishioners who have supported or donated to the SVP during the last year. Without your support we would be unable to carry out some of the work we do. The following figures will show you how many hours were spent during the year carrying out our work and also where some of your donations have helped. Visiting in homes, nursing homes and hospitals; transporting and taking people to appointments etc. Hosting Afternoon teas, helping people to shop, walk, taking for coffee etc. Shopping for HOPE donations, providing help to Domestic Abuse victim. Fundraising for the Homeless. TOTAL OF 1,106 hours. HOSTED: 1 Service for the Sick; 2 cake/tea afternoons and; 1 full Afternoon tea. PROVIDED: Clothes, toys & food to Domestic Abuse victim, towels to the Women’s Refuge. Refreshments for the Prison Chaplaincy, Toiletries to the QMC and Food for The HOPE Food Bank. I am sure there are lots of other acts of kindness that our members carry out without being recorded. SO THANK YOU ONCE AGAIN FOR YOUR KIND HELP AND SUPPORT. Long may it continue!! – **BEESTON SVP**.

CELEBRATE TRUST: is excited to announce two *webinars for parents and carers of teenagers*. Bringing up young people in today’s world can be both a joyful and challenging experience, so the Celebrate Trust has booked some experts to share their wisdom in two webinars, to help parents and carers gain confidence and provide some practical ideas to support at home. *Confident Parenting in a World of Screens* on **Wednesday 29th April 2026 at 8:00 pm**. *Raising teenagers in a Catholic Family* **Tuesday 2nd June 2026 at 8:00 pm**. To book a place, visit www.celebratetrust.org/faith-parenting

YOUNG ADULTS AGED 18 – 35: are invited to join a special overnight *Pilgrimage to Walsingham* (**Saturday 20th to Sunday 21st June 2026**), taking place alongside the Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage, with dedicated time, space and community for young adults. Staying at Elmham House (half board) pilgrims will share in the wider celebrations while also enjoying moments specifically for the young adult community and encounter. For any questions, contact Charles Archer, Young Adult Ministry Lead charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk Bookings at www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/walsingham-2026

MELWOOD PILGRIMAGE: The Annual Saint Augustine Webster Diocesan Melwood Pilgrimage to the site of Melwood Abbey will be celebrated by Bishop Patrick **NEXT Saturday, 2nd May 2026 at 12 noon**, at Low Melwood Farm, Owston Ferry, DN9 1AD. The Pilgrimage will start with the Rosary and Procession, and then Mass held in one of the farm’s barns. Please bring a chair, picnic (optional), and appropriate footwear for country footpaths. All are very welcome.

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.