

THE PARISHES OF HOLY CROSS AND OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF BESTWOOD, BULWELL AND HUCKNALL.

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SCHOOLS SERVING OUR PARISH

PRIMARY SCHOOLS
 Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Bulwell
 Head Teacher — Mrs. Fiona Wadsley
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 Trinity School, Aspley
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 Head Teacher — Miss Jo Love
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THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD 1ST/2ND FEBRUARY 2025 MASS TIMES, SERVICES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Suggested Donation for
Newsletter 20p

SATURDAY - VIGIL OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD - CANDLEMAS (FEAST)	1st	5.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Birthday Thanksgiving for Catherine Lyons
SUNDAY - THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD - CANDLEMAS (FEAST)	2nd	9.00am 11.00am	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	Bettina Benski RIP Catherine and John Heraghty RIP
MONDAY - FERIA	3rd			
TUESDAY - SAINT GILBERT OF SEMPRINGHAM, RELIGIOUS (MEMORIAL)	4th			
WEDNESDAY - SAINT AGATHA, VIRGIN AND MARTYR (MEMORIAL)	5th	12noon	HOLY CROSS	Bettina Benski RIP
THURSDAY - SAINTS PAUL MIKI AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS OF JAPAN (MEMORIAL)	6th	9.30am	OUR LADY'S	Mary Finnegan RIP
FRIDAY - FERIA	7th	7.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Divine Mercy Chaplet
SATURDAY - VIGIL OF THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	8th	5.00pm	OUR LADY'S	Mrs Pat Holmes RIP
SUNDAY - FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9th	9.00am 11.00am	HOLY CROSS OUR LADY'S	Bettina Benski RIP Martin Kilbane RIP

MINDFUL MERCIFUL CAFÉS

HOLY CROSS will be open again on **February 26th 2025 at 9.30am** in the meeting room.
OUR LADY'S every Thursday 10am—12.30pm in the Parish Hall. **EVERYONE WELCOME.**

<p>HOLY CROSS CHURCH—READER February 9th - Dominic Dixon</p> <p>HOLY CROSS CHURCH—WELCOMERS February 9th - Charles Nyarkoh</p> <p>HOLY CROSS CHURCH CLEANING February 9th - Colleen & Rose Cash</p>	<p>OUR LADY'S CHURCH—READERS Saturday 8th February - Elaine Foley Sunday 9th February - Sophia Ifesemen</p> <p>OUR LADY'S CHURCH—WELCOMERS Saturday 8th February - Chris Reilly Sunday 9th February - Jason Young & Monica Cassidy</p> <p>OUR LADY'S CHURCH CLEANING FOR FEBRUARY Team B (John, Madeleine, Stef, Eric, Gloria & Claire)</p> <p>REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS Sunday 9th February - Chisom</p>	<p>A hearing loop system is available in both churches. Please set your hearing aid to 'T' (Telecoil) setting in order for it to work.</p> 
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RECONCILIATION: Our Lady's Saturday 4.15pm—4.45pm: Holy Cross - Wednesday (after Mass)

POOR CLARES MONASTERY

There has been an article in the West Bridgford Wire and Nottingham Post about the Poor Clares monastery. When contacted, the Diocese was unaware that there had been anything in the papers concerned. Regarding demolition of the monastery, the Diocesan-appointed architect has applied to the Council for permission but it could be a fairly long road ahead as, if and when permission is obtained, tenders will have to be invited for the work and then the cost assessed. The idea is that the building would be demolished; the original monastery chapel that connects to Our Lady's church and abuts the church's sanctuary would be retained; and the boundaries would be reinstated so that all is secure. The whole area would then be a separate prayer garden for the parish and, of course, the existing burials of Poor Clare Sisters would be respected. The Diocese hopes this vision will be realised and feels that the prayer garden will be a beautiful space for the parish, bringing to an end the risks and liabilities associated with an empty and dilapidated monastery building. Thus nothing will be happening at the beginning of March as had been reported.

LOVE IS IN THE AIR

Our Lady's will be hosting a Valentine quiz, bingo and karaoke night on **Saturday February 8th, 7.00pm till 10.00pm** in the parish hall. Cash prizes, raffle, good music, chip butties and free refreshments. Free tickets are available at the back of church. Bring the kids and friends.

NOTTINGHAM DIOCESAN CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICE are bringing The Briars to a parish near you! They will be at Saint Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham on **Tuesday 4th February**. Come and hear about the exciting opportunities at the Youth Service, the skills you will gain and how these opportunities will help you to discover God's call. For more info visit www.ndcys.com/events-and-opportunities or email events@ndcys.com

ONE-BEDROOMED FLAT AT ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH
 NG3 4QF - available to rent from 1st February, at £700 per month including gas, water & internet charges. It has off-road parking, a new carpet & has recently been painted; suitable for one person or a couple. We are a working parish, so events /services do happen on site. For all enquiries, please email the letting agent: anthony@arresidential.co.uk

JUBILEE OF MARRIAGES

Bishop Patrick warmly invites all married couples to Saint Barnabas Cathedral on **Sunday 16th February** when we will celebrate Mass at **3.00pm** to mark the Jubilee of Marriages. The Bishop will lead a Renewal of Vows during the Mass, impart a special Jubilee Blessing, and afterwards host a Reception in Cathedral Hall. All married couples (and their families) are very welcome to attend, especially those recently married and those celebrating significant anniversaries this Jubilee Year.

HOLY CROSS 100 CLUB

Congratulations to our winner for **January - no 15 Maria Williams**. Help raise funds for Holy Cross church by joining the 100 club. The draw costs just £4 a month. Registration forms are available at the back of church.

A MASS FOR YOUNG ADULTS

On **Friday 28th February** Bishop Patrick will celebrate Mass at Saint Barnabas Cathedral at **10pm** 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, eg reading, serving, welcoming, then please contact charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR CHILDREN

Classes continue at **Holy Cross meeting room on Tuesday 4th February at 6.30pm**. It is very important that you attend. If you have any problems, please contact the parish office on 0115 9278403 or email: holycrosshucknallandourladysbulwell@dioceseofnottingham.uk



FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025

All the parents meetings, for those who registered their children for First Holy Communion, have now taken place. All information about the dates and times of classes and when First Holy Communion Masses will be celebrated were given at these meetings. If you did not attend the parents meeting for some reason, or if you have any questions, please contact the parish office on 0115 9278403 or email: holycrosshucknallandourladysbulwell@dioceseofnottingham.uk

WEEKEND COLLECTION

25TH/26TH JANUARY HOLY CROSS £348.85 S/O £153 OUR LADY'S £610.97 S/O £540

HOLY CROSS HEATING FUNDRAISING.

January Second Collection: **£297.10 Total raised to date: £5788.26. Thank you to everyone.**
NEXT SECOND COLLECTION FOR HEATING FUND - 23RD FEBRUARY

BIBLE STUDY MEETINGS - HOLY CROSS

will continue on **Tuesday 4th February at 7pm** in the sacristy. All welcome.

PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS AT HOLY CROSS

at Michael Hallam's house **Sunday at 4.00pm**. If you require a lift please ring 0115 9630925.

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