



Date	Holy Mass/ Services	Other Events
Saturday 25th January 3rd Sunday of the Year Sunday of the Word of God	5.30 pm Confessions 6.00 pm Mass: Private Intention Jubilee of Readers	
Sunday 26th January 3rd Sunday of the Year Sunday of the Word of God	10.30 am Mass: People of the Parish Jubilee of Readers	
Monday 27th January Feria	6.30 pm Adoration 7.00 pm Mass: For peace in the world	
Tuesday 28th January Saint Thomas Aquinas, priest & doctor (memorial)	9.00 am Mass: For the Priest's intentions	If you would like to make a donation, please scan the QR code & state CC Church
Thursday 30th January Feria	9.00 am Mass: For the sick & housebound	7 pm RCIA : The Sacraments of Baptism & Confirmation
Friday 31st January Saint John Bosco, priest (memorial)	9.00 am Mass: Repose of the Soul of Brian Groves - 1st Anniversary	
Saturday 1st February The Presentation of the Lord - Candlemas (Feast)	5.30 pm Confessions 6.00 pm Mass: Mary Upton - 2nd Anniversary	2nd Collection: Diocesan Quota
Sunday 2nd February The Presentation of the Lord - Candlemas (Feast)	10.30 am Mass: People of the Parish	2nd Collection: Diocesan Quota

**Our Lady & St Patricks, Meadows, Mass/Service Times 26th Jan - 2nd February 2025**



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Sunday 26th January 3rd Sunday of the Year Sunday of the Word of God	9.00 am Mass: Tony McMahon Jubilee of Readers	Coffee & Tea after the morning Mass.
Monday 27th January Feria	12.00 noon CAFOD Volunteers Mass 1.00 - 3.00 pm CAFOD Social in hall	
Wednesday 29th January Feria	10.00 am Mass: Phyllis Turner RIP Birthday & Michael Rahilly RIP St Patrick's School - Year 5 visiting	If you would like to make a donation, please scan the QR code above & state OLSP Church
Saturday 1st February Feria	9.25 am: Fatima Five 1st Saturdays Devotion 9.30 am Confessions 10.00 am Mass:	
Sunday 2nd February The Presentation of the Lord - Candlemas (Feast)	9.00 am Mass: Special Intention (MC)	Coffee & Tea after the morning Mass.

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**Parish Newsletter 3rd Week of Ordinary Time**

Corpus Christi, Southchurch Drive, Clifton and Our Lady & St Patrick's, Launder Street, The Meadows  
Parish Priest: Fr Pitak David SCJ, Assistant Priest: Fr Wilfred Pereppadan SCJ  
Br John Dawson SCJ, Br. Andrew Ferris SCJ,  
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Parish Secretary: Catherine Daly Tel. No. 0115 921 2964



This Sunday is Sunday of the Word of God and the Jubilee of Readers: There will be a blessing of all readers at weekend Masses and they will renew their commitment  
Confirmation Programme: could all candidates complete and return their enrolment form to the Parish Secretary as soon as possible. Please do not wait until the February session to hand them in. Thank you.  
Alex Shelton-Bourke will be speaking at 10.30 am Mass at CC this Sunday about her work with Joel's Bar, a young adults' ministry of CELEBRATE Trust. There will be a collection as you leave Church.

CC Church Heating: The engineer ordered a new part last week; the heating is working on one side of the Church and is being put on well before the start of Mass. Please continue to wrap up warmly when you come to Church.

The Adult Formation team has organised a Young Adult (18-35) Retreat Day from 3.00pm on Saturday 25th January at Holy Trinity Church, Newark. The day comprises Mass, spiritual input, a light supper, and social time. To book your place (including dietary requirements) visit: <https://buy.stripe.com/7s17t6aJYbCugve14b> or donate on arrival. For further details contact [charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk)

The Fatima Five First Saturdays Devotion will take place again at Our Lady and St Patrick's Church on Saturday 1st February, from 9:25 am promptly, when the Rosary plus meditation will begin. The devotion involves Holy Communion, Confession, and the Rosary, plus a 15 minute meditation. Our Lady asked for this devotion in 1925 as a means of making reparation to her Immaculate Heart and for bringing about peace in the world. She also promised that those who carry out this devotion will be assisted by her at the hour of death with all the graces necessary for salvation, a promise of heaven. For more information, please email: [donalf@waf-ew.org.uk](mailto:donalf@waf-ew.org.uk)

Nottingham Cathedral Choirs will be collaborating with Southwell Minster Choir to sing Evensong together at Southwell Minster to celebrate the end of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, on Saturday 25th January at 5.30pm. All are very welcome to attend.

Would you like to be a Reading Volunteer at Blessed Robert Widmerpool?  
If you have an hour a week spare, we are looking for volunteers to come in to school to listen to some of the children read. Tea and coffee will be provided. If you are interested, please contact the school office on 0115 915 2392. We would really appreciate your time. Thank You.

Samantha Lyster is writing a book for the Liverpool University Press about Irish communities in England. She is very keen talk to parishioners who were involved in the building of Our Lady & St Patrick's Church in the Meadows. If you wish to speak to her, please contact the Parish Secretary and she will pass your details on.

Assisted Suicide Legislation – what happens next? Bishop John Sherrington writes regarding an update on the assisted suicide legislation, known as the *Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill*, that the next stage is evidence-gathering by the committee examining the Bill, and Bishop John will submit written evidence to that. This committee will examine the Bill in detail, after which it will then return to the floor of the House of Commons for a further substantive vote. This vote will probably take place in late April or early May. The Bill could be defeated in that important division. Individuals and interested organisations can submit written evidence to the committee, and further details can be found at

[www.parliament.uk/business/news/2025/january/terminally-ill-adults-end-of-life-bill-call-for-evidence/](http://www.parliament.uk/business/news/2025/january/terminally-ill-adults-end-of-life-bill-call-for-evidence/)

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The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for January 2025: For the right to an education. Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world might always be respected.

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**SAFEGUARDING REPS' contact details**

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OLSP - Elizabeth Crowe telephone: 07513 725557 . Everyone who volunteers in our Churches should check whether they need a DBS check.

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February 2<sup>nd</sup> is the traditionally the day when we pray for those living the Consecrated Life. If you would like to explore what Consecrated Life means, you are invited to join the Sisters in Matlock for a cup of tea and informal chat on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February between 2.30pm and 4.30pm, at the Presentation Convent, Matlock, DE4 3FT. Just turn up.

Bishop Patrick warmly invites all married couples to Saint Barnabas Cathedral (NG1 5AE) on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> 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 anni-versaries this Jubilee year.

Sunday Missals for Year C from the Catholic Truth Society are still available to buy at the back of both Churches, price £9.

The Universalis App is available to download and for a one-off payment of £10, you can subscribe and access all the Mass readings and prayers. You can get the readings on the Universalis website at no cost: <https://universalis.com/> It hasn't got all the features of the app but if you just want the readings, it's free via the internet.

Liberty Pay has ceased providing online donation services on our website. Please scan the QR code on the Newsletter - the same one for both Churches. When you scan the QR code, you will be asked to confirm to which Church you wish to donate and then you can enter the name. We have also displayed a larger QR code on each Church noticeboard.

Prayer service of the Blessing of St Colette at Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Brooklyn Road, Bulwell on Saturday 1st February at 11 am, details in the attached poster. Whilst it is a Franciscan prayer event and all are welcome, St Colette is one of the patrons saints of couples who long to conceive a child, expectant mothers and sick children. Poor Clare Colettines, St Colette's Well, 90 Brooklyn Road, Bulwell, Notts NG6 9ES phone 07778906002 email [newlifecoletteswell@gmail.co](mailto:newlifecoletteswell@gmail.co)

You Can Help Your Marriage – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped because it only makes it worse? Retrouvaille has helped 10s of 1000s of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about the next programme which will be presented on Zoom, Thursday 27th February – Sunday 2nd March please email: [info@retrouvaille.org.uk](mailto:info@retrouvaille.org.uk), telephone 07887 296983, or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)

A Year of Hope: Introduction to the Jubilee Year: How can we respond to Pope Francis' call to be "tangible signs of hope" in this Jubilee Year? Find out by watching [this inspirational event](#) (find it and other Jubilee resources at [cafod.org.uk/jubilee](http://cafod.org.uk/jubilee)). Featuring Fr Jan Nowotnik, Director of Mission at the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, CAFOD Director Christine Allen and more. Discover how we can act in faith and in love as pilgrims of hope this Holy Year.

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY: Synod Synthesis: PART 1 - THE FACE OF THE SYNODAL CHURCH, 6. The Eastern Churches and Latin Church Traditions Convergences Matters for Consideration d) We suggest further study of the contribution that the experience of the Eastern Catholic Churches can make to the understanding and practice of synodality. Proposals h) First and foremost, the request emerged to establish a permanent Council of the Patriarchs and Major Archbishops of the Eastern Catholic Churches to the Holy Father. i) Some requested to convoke a Special Synod dedicated to the Eastern Catholic Churches, their identity and mission, as well addressing pastoral and canonical challenges in the context of war and massive migration. j) We need to establish a joint commission of Eastern and Latin theologians, historians and canonists to address issues requiring further study and formulate proposals pointing a way forward.

**THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**

26th January 2025 109c



**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

O sing a new song to the Lord;  
sing to the Lord, all the earth.  
In his presence are majesty and splendour,  
strength and honour in his holy place.

**COLLECT**

Almighty ever-living God,  
direct our actions according to your good pleasure,  
that in the name of your beloved Son  
we may abound in good works.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**FIRST READING**

A reading from the Book of Nehemiah.

*'They read from the book of the Law, and gave the meaning.'*

8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

In those days: Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could understand what they heard, on the first day of the seventh month. And he read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand. And the ears of all the people were attentive to the Book of the Law.

And Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden platform that they had made for the purpose. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was above all the people, and as he opened it, all the people stood. And Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, 'Amen, Amen,' lifting up their hands. And they bowed their heads and worshipped the LORD with their faces to the ground. Ezra and the Levites read from the book, from the Law of God, clearly, and they gave the meaning, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, 'This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep.' For all the people wept as they heard the words of the Law. Then he said to them, 'Go on your way. Eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready, for this day is holy to our Lord. And do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength.'

The word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Your words, O Lord, are spirit and life.

Ps.19(18)

The law of the LORD is perfect;  
it revives the soul.  
The decrees of the LORD are steadfast;  
they give wisdom to the simple. R.

The precepts of the Lord are right;  
they gladden the heart.  
The command of the Lord is clear;  
it gives light to the eyes. R.

The fear of the LORD is pure,  
abiding for ever.  
The judgements of the LORD are true;  
they are, all of them, just. R.

May the spoken words of my mouth,  
the thoughts of my heart,  
win favour in your sight, O LORD,  
my rock and my redeemer! R.

**SECOND READING**

A reading from the First Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

*(Shorter form)*

*'You are the body of Christ and individually members of it.'*

12:12-14, 27

Brothers and Sisters: Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptised into one body — Jews or Greeks, slaves or free — and all were made to drink of one Spirit. For the body does not consist of one member but of many. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord has sent me to proclaim good news to the poor;  
to proclaim liberty to the captives.

Alleluia.

**GOSPEL**

The Lord be with you.

And with your Spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke

Glory to you, O Lord.

*'Today this Scripture has been fulfilled.'*

1:1-4; 4:14-21

Inasmuch as many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the things that have been accomplished among us, just as those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word have delivered them to us, it seemed good to me also, having followed all things closely for some time past, to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, that you may have certainty concerning the things you have been taught.

At that time: Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and a report about him went out through all the surrounding country. And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified by all.

And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll, and found the place where it was written, 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

And he rolled up the scroll, and gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. And he began to say to them, 'Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

Accept our offerings, O Lord, we pray,  
and in sanctifying them  
grant that they may profit us for salvation.  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Look toward the Lord and be radiant;  
let your faces not be abashed.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
that, receiving the grace  
by which you bring us to new life,  
we may always glory in your gift.  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.