Corpus Christi Church, Clifton Mass/Service Times 2nd - 9th March 2025



Date	Holy Mass/ Services	Other Events
Saturday 1st March 8th Sunday of the Year	5.30 pm Confessions 6.00 pm Mass: Paul Joseph Dickens RIP Day of Special Prayer for the Unemployed	
Sunday 2nd March 8th Sunday of the Year	10.30 am Mass: June & Horace Lynes RIP Day of Special Prayer for the Unemployed	
Monday 3rd March Feria	6.30 pm Adoration 7.00 pm Mass: Rena Pakenham RIP	EDIS ASARMA
Tuesday 4th March Feria	9.00 am Mass: Priest's Intentions 6.30 pm Confirmation Class - Session 3	If you would like to make a donation, please scan the QR code & state CC Church
Wednesday 5th March Ash Wednesday	9.30 am Mass: With BRW Schoolchildren 7.00 pm Mass: People of the Parish	Day of Fasting & Abstinence; Lenten Alms Collection
Thursday 6th March Lenten Feria	9.00 am Mass: Vincent Taylor RIP	7 pm RCIA: Discussion: Rite of Election
Friday 7th March Lenten Feria	9.00 am Mass: For the Sick	
Saturday 8th March 1st Sunday of Lent	5.30 pm Confessions 6.00 pm Mass: Margaret Boott RIP	CAFOD Lent Fast Day Envelopes to be given out
Sunday 9th March 1st Sunday of Lent	10.30 am Mass: 1st Death Anniversary of Aley Devasia & Sadie Walsh	CAFOD Lent Fast Day Envelopes to be given out

Our Lady & St Patricks, Meadows, Mass/Service Times 2nd - 9th March 2025

Date	Holy Mass/ Services	Other Events
Sunday 2nd March 8th Sunday of the Year Day of Special Prayer for the Unemployed	9.00 am Mass: People of the Parish	Brunch in aid of Joel's Bar; Coffee & Tea after the morning Mass.
Monday 3rd March Feria	12.30 pm Requiem Mass of Catherine McNamara	
Wednesday 5th March Ash Wednesday	11.15 am Mass: Peter Maher RIP	Day of Fasting & Abstinence; Lenten Alms Collection
Saturday 8th March Lenten Feria	9.30 am Confessions 10.00 am Mass: Diogenes B Takahashi	If you would like to make a donation, please scan the QR code above & state OLSP Church
Sunday 9th March 1st Sunday of Lent	9.00 am Mass: People of the Parish CAFOD Lent Fast Day Envelopes to be given out	Coffee & Tea after the morning Mass.

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Parish Newsletter 8th Week of Ordinary Time



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Our Lady & St Patrick's, Launder Street, The Meadows
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Please pray for Catherine McNamara of OLSP whose Requiem Mass will be this Monday, 3rd March 2025 at 12.30 pm, followed by burial at Wilford Hill. Please remember her husband, Tony, her children Anita, Elaine & Antony & all her family. May she rest in peace. Amen.

This Sunday at OLSP there will be Brunch with a raffle & bingo after 9 am Mass all in aid of Joel's Bar. The 3rd Session of the Confirmation Class will take place at CC at 6.30 pm on Tuesday, 4th March. Wednesday, 5th March is Ash Wednesday, a Day of Fasting & Abstinence and the start of Lent. We should not eat meat on Ash Wednesday or Good Friday.

Br Andrew will lead a weekly Lenten Reflection - details to follow.

CTS Sunday Missals now reduced to £5.00 while stocks last.

CAFOD Lent Fast Day is on Friday, 14th March, a Day of Special Prayer for the Needy & Hungry of the World. Fast Day envelopes will be given out next weekend.

Corpus Christi Easter Egg Raffle Tickets £1 a strip to be sold after mass week ending 22nd/23rd March, 29th/30th March & 5th/6th April. Donations of eggs welcome please! Draw to take place week commencing 7th April with winners able to pick up prizes after Mass on Palm Sunday weekend. Greeters are needed at OLSP to join the new rota from 4th May 2025. If you are interested in welcoming parishioners, handing out missalettes and hymn books, please contact the Parish Secretary. HELP NEEDED: The family of Wladislaw Pryzbysz are trying to locate an Irish Catholic family, the Rourke's who lived in West Bridgford in the 1970's. If you have any information, please contact: Paschal Egan: 07902253720.

Parish Evangelisation: In your daily prayer time please pray for our parish evangelisation efforts. Lourdes Fund: OLSP are pleased to be able to fully fund one person to join the Diocesan Lourdes pilgrimage from 14th to 18th July 2025. If you are sick, would like to go to Lourdes but would be unable to afford it without financial help, please let Fr Pitak know in confidence as soon as possible. The pilgrimage is supported by a medical team and a youth team to push wheelchairs and help pilgrims move around.

40 Days for Life is an international movement which seeks to end the injustice of abortion through prayer and fasting, and by changing one heart at a time. It is peaceful, legal and non-judgemental. You can help protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization! Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers. The Nottingham Pro-Life Prayer Vigil starts on Ash Wednesday, 5th March and continues through Lent. To take part or to find out more go to www.40daysforlife.com or email 40daysforlifenotts@gmail.com The Church of the Good Shepherd in Nottingham, along with the Cathedral and seven other churches in the Diocese, has been designated by Bishop Patrick as a place of pilgrimage for the 2025 Jubilee Year. A Pilgrim Trail has been set up and a printed guide will be available at the church from Thursday 6th March. The Trail will be open for individual devotions after Mass each day and on most Thursday afternoons, subject to demand. Pre-arranged group visits from parish, deanery, chaplaincy, school or other groups are especially welcome - to discuss a group visit please contact the parish administrative suite on 0115 926 8288.

Building on the success of the Glasgow Support Group the Abortion Recovery Care Helpline (ARCH) wishes to establish a group for women struggling after abortion in Nottingham. They require a qualified counsellor to facilitate the group, alongside a co-facilitator. The group would meet, in person, once a month, for five or ten months of the year. To find out more text Clare on 07984 040947 or email clare@archtrust.org.uk including a mobile number where a text can be sent.

The Catholic Union is holding a webinar on the Terminally III Adults (End of Life) Bill on Thursday 3rd April at 6.30pm. Chaired by Baroness Hollins, President of the Catholic Union, it will give members and supporters the chance to unpick the Bill guided by three experts: Dr Matthew Doré; Dr Philip Howard and Professor Julian Hughes, before the Bill returns to the Commons' Chamber for Third Reading on 25th April. To sign up for the webinar register at www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/hard-cases-dont-make-good-law-assisted-suicide-webinar-tickets-1233106176769?aff=oddtdtcreator

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for March 2025: For families in crisis. Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

The Diocesan Education Service is hosting a Network Day for families who home-educate their children, on Monday 17th March, from 10.00am, in Our Lady of Lincoln parish centre, Lincoln, LN2 2HE. Bring a packed lunch, and something to share with others.

On Saturday 22nd March, Youth2000 is running a day retreat for all young adults (18-35) at The Briars, Crich, DE4 5BW. The day will include lunch and dinner, inputs, prayer, and Mass with Bishop Patrick. To purchase a ticket and find out more visit: https://youth2000.churchsuite.com/events/eo9c6nuj and for more information contact: charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk.

A Retreat for married couples on 'The Four Disciplines of a Family' will take place on Saturday 15th March from 11.00am until 3.00pm. Mike and Alicia Hernon, founders of the famous Messy Family Podcast are coming all the way from Ohio, USA to lead this Retreat. Please see the link below for more details. www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-messy-family-project-st-vincents-mission-hub-sheffield-tickets-1116789079199?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=listing&utm-source=cp&aff=ebdsshcopyurl

The Christian Heritage Centre's Christian Leadership Formation Programme is a fantastic opportunity for students in Year 12 / Lower VI, and is now open to applications for 2025. Offering media training, tools for personal development, philosophical and theological study, and a chance to meet like-minded peers and Catholic academics and public figures, the programme offers a certificate validated by Saint Mary's University, Twickenham. For more information visit www.christianleadershipformation.com

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society and CAFOD are working together to offer a week of free residential work experience for 20 young adults in England and Wales. The experience will run from 22nd 27th June in London. Candidates must be aged have completed their first or second year at univer-sity and have a passion for social justice. Applications close on Easter Day, 20th April. For any queries please contact KeziaH@svp.org.uk

Bishop Patrick invites parishioners to join the Nottingham Diocesan Jubilee Lourdes Pilgrimage taking place between Monday 14th and Friday 18th July. The Pilgrimage includes a full liturgical programme, with Mass each day; return direct flights from East Midlands Airport to Lourdes; full board for four nights in a three- or four- star hotel; assistance (for those who need it) from the Diocesan Hospitalité and Health Team. Prices start from £899, and more details are at: www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/lourdes Young adults (18-35) are also warmly invited to join the Jubilee Lourdes Pilgrimage. For young adults interested in supporting pilgrims, deepening faith, and coming together as a community, contact charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk or visit www.tangney-tours.com/tours-and-pilgrimages/diocese-nottingham-ya/

A message from the Vice-Chair of the Parent Friend Association (PFA) at St Patrick's School, Wilford. Tesco Stronger Starts is a store wide initiative which supports local communities. Our PFA have been chosen this time to raise money for ongoing projects including OPAL & an outdoor garden. Simply make a purchase at one of the stores on the list at the back of both Churches & use the given blue token to vote for our school. Voting is from mid-January until the end of March. The group with the highest number of blue token wins £1500, second place £1000 & third place £500 for school. SYNOD ON SYNODALITY: Synod Synthesis: PART 1 - THE FACE OF THE SYNODAL CHURCH, 7. On the Road Towards Christian Unity Convergences Matters for Consideration g) Our assembly was able to perceive the diverse ways different Christian traditions understand the synodal configuration of the Church. In Orthodox Churches, synodality is understood in a strict sense as an expression of the collegial exercise of authority proper to the bishops alone (the Holy Synod). Broadly, it refers to the active participation of all the faithful in the life and mission of the Church. There were some references to practices in other ecclesial communities, enriching our debates. All this requires further investigation. h) Another theme to be explored concerns the link between synodality and primacy at the various levels (local, regional, universal) in their mutual interdependence. We need a shared re-reading of history in order to overcome stereotypes and prejudices. Ongoing ecumenical dialogues have provided a better understanding, in light of the practices of the first millennium, of the fact that synodality and primacy are related, complementary and inseparable realities. The clarification of this delicate point has consequences for the way of understanding the Petrine ministry in the service of unity, according to what St. John Paul II wished for in the encyclical Ut unum sint.

EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR



ENTRANCE ANTPHON

The Lord became my protector. He brought me out to a place of freedom; he saved me because he delighted in me.

COLLECT

Grant us, O Lord, we pray, that the course of our world may be directed by your peaceful rule and that your Church may rejoice, untroubled in her devotion.

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 Sirach.

'Do not praise a man before you hear him reason.' 27:4-7
When a sieve is shaken, the refuse appears; so a person's filth in his thoughts. The kiln tests the potter's vessels; likewise the test of a person is in his reasoning. The fruit discloses the cultivation of a tree; so the expression of a thought discloses the cultivation of a person's mind. Do not praise a man before you hear him reason, for this is the test of people.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 92(91)

It is good to give thanks to you, O LORD.

It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your loving mercy in the morning, and your truth in the watches of the night. R.

The just one will flourish like the palm tree, and grow like a Lebanon cedar.

Planted in the house of the Lord, they will flourish in the courts of our God. R.

Still bearing fruit when they are old, still full of sap, still green, to proclaim that the LORD is upright. In him, my rock, there is no wrong. R.

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SECOND READING

A reading from the First Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians. 'He gives us the victory through Jesus Christ.' 15:54-58
Brothers and Sisters: When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: 'Death is swallowed up in victory.' 'O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?'

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labour is not in vain.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia. Shine as lights in the world, holding fast to the word of life. 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.

'Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.' 6:39-45
At that time: Jesus told his disciples a parable: 'Can a blind man lead a blind man? Will they not both fall into a pit? A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is fully trained will be like his teacher. Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me take out the speck that is in your eye?', when you yourself do not see the log that is in your own eye? You hypocrite! First take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take out the speck that is in your brother's eye.

'For no good tree bears bad fruit, nor again does a bad tree bear good fruit, for each tree is known by its own fruit. For figs are not gathered from thorn bushes, nor are grapes picked from a bramble bush. The good person out of the good treasure of his heart produces good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure produces evil, for out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O God, who provide gifts to be offered to your name and count our oblations as signs of our desire to serve you with devotion, we ask of your mercy that what you grant as the source of merit may also help us to attain merit's reward. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me, sing psalms to the name of the Lord Most High.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Nourished by your saving gifts, we beseech your mercy, Lord, that by this same Sacrament with which you feed us in the present age, you may make us partakers of life eternal. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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