

Parish Priest: Rev. Canon Stanley Ofoegbu Assistant Priest: Rev Fr Victor Onyebuchi
Deacon: Rev Anthony Cordes

**Our Catholic Community welcomes you to The Parish of All Saints,
West Nottingham. It is lovely to have you with us as we gather.**

Welcome to our Weekend Mass: Saturday Vigil:
St Thomas More 5.00pm & St Teresa 6.30pm.
Sunday Morning: St Hugh 9.30am & St Teresa 11.00am
The live stream will continue each Sunday from 11.00am
available via our Facebook page by going to the website
allsaints-nottingham.rcdon.uk and clicking on the link

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Please keep in your prayers those who are sick in our parish.
Also please pray for those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

Please let the office know of any parishioners you are aware of who would like to receive Holy Communion at home and arrangements will be made for a Minister to bring them Holy Communion and a visit by Canon Stanley can be arranged for confession.

Collections: St Hugh: 6/7 £ + SO £135.25
St Thomas More: 6/7 £ + SO £164.83
St Teresa: 6/7 £ + SO £358.49

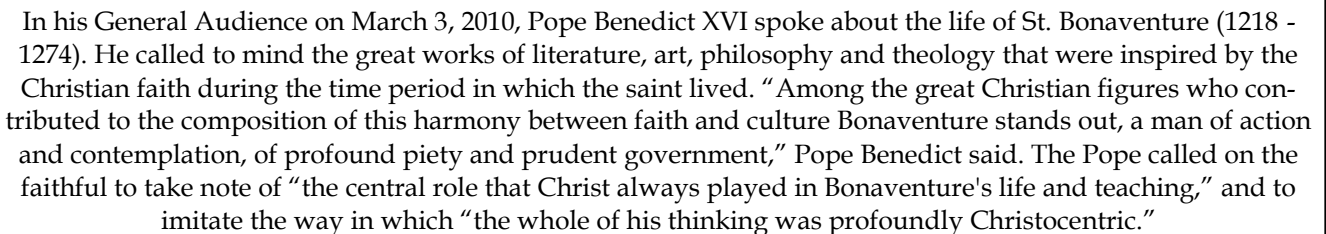
THE STORY THAT COSTS US

No matter how many times we read this parable, the feelings which it evokes always leave us sensing something about ourselves, that something is missing. I'm sure we've all wondered and asked ourselves: what I would have done? And then immediately sought to justify my lack of action with a well reasoned explanation. No need to recount it but haven't we all at some stage succumbed to taking on the role of the Priest or the Levite, rather than the Samaritan. Yet the story has become such an iconic one. One that is constantly held up as a mirror for us all to stare into and to really feel the angst which it produces in us. When will we learn the lesson that the parable offers? When will we ever find within us the love that stops us from counting the cost it takes to help someone in need?

Jesus is very canny in his choice of characters when he tells the story and perhaps deliberately so. The Priest, and the Levite were people of power, people of status. Regarded within the society of the time as persons to be looked up to. And yet in the story they are the ones who because of that status, are unwilling to sense within themselves any responsibility to at least stop and look to see if the poor man who had been mugged was OK. Jesus seems to categorise the lawyer in the same way, in order to make him realise that it is his own status in society that is being questioned and explored. Neither the status nor the identity of the man who has been attacked is known. He is, we are told just someone travelling on his way from Jerusalem to Jericho. We may assume him to be a Jew, but we don't know, he could be anyone. And maybe that is another element to the story. Here is a vulnerable human being of no obvious status who means nothing to those who pass him by, except as someone to be avoided. And if the story had finished at that moment, what would that lawyer have said in answer to the original question he asked, *What must I do to inherit eternal life?* Make sure you live by the rules and that'll be fine? How many of us want to leave it like that because we say it's not worth getting involved in something that doesn't concern us. But now comes the twist in the parable, the little itch that we know needs scratching, but which we are so reluctant to do because of what the consequence may be. Conversion is what the parable is really about, and the lawyer admits it in the end. His world, and his place within it has been changed, and turned upside down.

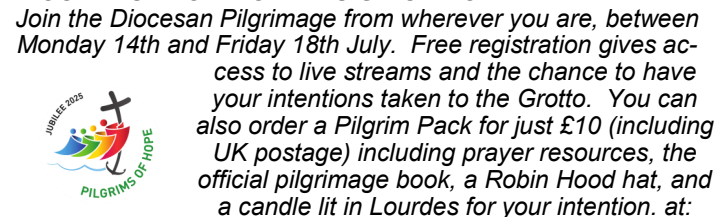
So what cost for us? Do we sit comfortably in our world? Are we content with the way things are? Sometimes we may feel that there isn't really a great deal we can do to change the way things are. We feel that our society is walking away from its roots which have metaphorically been mugged and left half dead on the roadside. Can we be the ones who will stop and to offer compassion and healing no matter what the cost? I wonder.

Deacon Anthony



*The Jubilee of Seafarers of the Diocese of Nottingham will be celebrated on **15 July** with a second collection at all Masses celebrated that weekend for Stella Maris—the Apostleship of the Sea.*

which this year will be held on Sunday, **27 July**, the Holy Father has chosen the theme: “Blessed are those who have not lost hope” (cf. Sir 14:2). These words, taken from the Book of Sirach, express the blessedness of the elderly and highlight the hope placed in the Lord as the path to a Christian and reconciled old age.



dioceseofnottingham.uk/news/lourdes-from-home or email: communications@dioceseofnottingham.uk for more information.

This weekend at all Masses there will be a second collection for Stella Maris the Apostleship of the Sea - Sea Sunday.

We are looking for more volunteers to count the offertory money on Sundays! If you are interested or would like to find out more please contact allsaintswn@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Will be meeting in the Hall at St Thomas More Church following the Vigil Mass on Saturday 12 July. Tea and coffee served so why not come and have a go at making cards and craft items for the Christmas fair

If you would like to learn more about the priesthood and reflect on a possible vocation, please email vocations@dioceseofnottingham.uk for the zoom link for the next discernment meeting on Wednesday 23rd July at 7.00pm.

Join the diocese for a special **YOUNG ADULTS' PILGRIMAGE TO ROME** between Friday 5th and Monday 8th September for the Canonisation of Blessed Carlo Acutis and Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati. The Pilgrimage is open to anyone aged 18-35, costing £475 per person based on sharing a room, with financial help available. For more information and to book a place email: vocations@dioceseofnottingham.uk

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THE WELCOME TABLE: *Friday at St Thomas More at 12.30pm until 2.00pm and at St Teresa's at 11.30am until 1.00pm.*

*"Faith is strengthened when it is given to others." —
St. John Paul II*

The New Evangelisation is the Church's call to rekindle the faith among the baptised and reach out to those who no longer walk with Christ. Many thanks to all who came along with their thoughts and ideas. It was good to listen to what ideas for mission and outreach in the parish and beyond... The next meeting will be on
SUNDAY 13 JULY, 6:30PM AT ST TERESA'S HALL
We hope to continue to meet and from the suggestions and ideas formulate some activities which will launch this Initiative into an integral feature of the parish.

COFFEE MORNING AT ST HUGH'S

*Will be on Saturday **19 July at 10.30am**. Come for
Coffee and Cake plus a raffle and enjoy some
down time with friends and parishioners
in St Hugh's Hall.*

*All funds raised towards the St Hugh's Garden
Maintenance Fund*

**PLEASE COME AND SUPPORT THIS
IMPORTANT FUND RASING EVENT**

THE SEASON OF ORDINARY TIME

During this time from now until September we are encouraged to pray for a deeper understanding between Christians and Jews. For Europe especially on 11 July (St Benedict) 23 July (St Bridget of Sweden) and 9 August (St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross) Patrons of Europe

INTRODUCING THE MISSION DECK!

The Adult Formation for Mission Department is releasing, over the coming months, a collection as part of an Evangelisation Directory. These resources are aimed at helping parishes and individuals respond to the baptismal call to share the Gospel. The first resource being released is the Mission Deck, made available at no cost to parishes by the Diocesan Mission Enabling Fund. Those who were present at the Clergy Conference have already received their copies and it will be posted this week to parishes that were not represented. There will be a webinar on **Tuesday 22nd July at 7.00pm**, with Dr Mark Nash (one of the creators of this resource), about how to use the Deck to plan and develop evangelisation in the parish. **The Department asks that a representative from every parish is present.** Registration for the webinar is via: https://us06web.zoom.us/join/register/LGMGyHxZRU-vrI2-s_Zzkw

**THE NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE OF REPARATION
AND PRAYER FOR THE SANCTITY OF LIFE**

is being celebrated at Walsingham by Bishop John Keenan on Saturday 2nd August. The Pilgrimage can be followed on livestream at www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream/ or for more details, visit www.prolifepilgrimage.org.