

# PARISH OF ALL SAINTS, WEST NOTTINGHAM, SERVING THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF

St Teresa of Lisieux, Aspley. St Hugh of Lincoln, Bilborough and St Thomas More, Wollaton.

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### 16TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 20 JULY 2025

Our Catholic Community welcomes you to The Parish of All Saints, West Nottingham. It is lovely to have you with us as we gather. Parish Newsletter 10<sub>I</sub>

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OFFICE OPENING TIMES

Monday 9.00am until 2.00pm & Friday 9.00am until 2.00pm

Messages can be left on all the above numbers and we will respond as soon as possible. If you have an item of news for the Bulletin then please email the office by

Thursday lunchtime at the latest

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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: 13/7 £179.84 + SO £135.25 St Thomas More: 13/7 £99.96 + SO £164.83 St Teresa: 13/7 £286.36 + SO £358.49

Sacrament of Reconciliation: After vigil Mass on a Saturday and Sunday or by appointment with the Priest

### Psalter: Week 4 Weekday Cycle: Week 16 Year 1

### Saturday 19 July: Feria

Vigil Mass of 16th Sunday of the Year 5.00pm STM: Wanda Duda RIP 6.30pm ST: Int:

Sunday 20 July: 16th Sunday of the Year 9.30am SH: Int: Win Bonser - recovering from acciden 11.00am ST: Int: Simon John Petros RIP

6.30pm ST: Sunday Vespers Evening Prayer of the Church led by Evangelisation Parish Team

Monday 21 July: Feria

9.30am ST.

3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet

Tuesday 22 July St Mary Magdalene

9.30 am ST Int: 3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet

Wednesday 23 July: St Bridget of Sweden, Religious 9.30am SH: Service of Word & Communion

Thursday 24 July: Feria

3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet

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Friday 25 July: St James, Apostle

3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30pm STM: Int: Ints of John McErlean

Saturday 26 July: Sts Joachim & Anne

Vigil Mass of 17th Sunday of the Year

5.00pm STM: Ints of Connie Nugent 6.30pm ST: Int: Martina Owens RIP

Sunday 27 July: 17th Sunday of the Year

9.30am SH: Int: People of the Parish 11.00am ST: Int: Daniel Obinna Umeh (Birthday Bless ings)

6.30pm ST: Sunday Vespers Evening Prayer of the Church led by Evangelisation Parish Team

### THE TWO SISTERS IN THE SCHOOL OF LOVE.

I think we need to bear this in mind when we read this gospel, coming as it does fast on the heels of the story of the Good Samaritan. Let's recall that the matter being debated in that story was all about how I should respond to the needs of my neighbour. What was being pointed out by Jesus was how relationships with each other can often become fixed because of long established prejudices about how we are to behave. As a result, you neglect the most important thing. You may think that such issues are at work in this story too. What is the more important? To provide the guest with the attention he/she deserves or to make sure that the welcome the guest is offered is both fitting and appropriate? I don't think Jesus would have really minded if they had both sat down at his feet or if they had both occupied themselves with the serving of the meal. And that's the lesson to be learned from the incident.

When we reflect on the Divine mystery which is God, we must not think in partial terms but in impartial ones. The Father, Son and Holy Spirit, the Blessed Trinity are not three different modes of God, but each is the fulness of love that is God's being. The one is not separate from the other. Which is why Jesus expresses his words in the way he does. As partial beings we are unable to fully comprehend the nature that is God. We have to take it on board step by step, bit by bit, until in the fulness of time, we are taken into the mystery of the Godhead. As a consequence, our journey into the divine will come up against our own incapacity to capture in our own conscience the beauty of what is to be revealed. So our prejudices and our partialities will and do sadly make their impact and cause upset and division. But what is it that Jesus is really doing as he enjoys the company of these two sisters?

Of course, he is teaching Martha and Mary something about themselves and ergo he is teaching us something about ourselves too. He is unfolding the reality that what they are both doing has its place within the vocation of discipleship. Jesus draws us towards himself through our thoughts and our deeds. Who is to say that on the next occasion they met it wasn't Martha who sat at the feet of the Lord, and Mary who prepared the meal? We are all being instructed in the school of love, and we therefore must listen to the Lord of love as he gently opens up our hearts and minds to the richness of the beauty we experience by knowing the living God present in our midst. Today in our Mass we welcome the Lord as he comes to be with us in the same way Martha and Mary welcomed him. We greet him at the door and prepare the offering for the meal, and we listen and absorb the words he proclaims. In this act we become his brothers and sisters, learning how to live in his school of love.

Deacon Anthony

### Saints of the Week: This week the Church commemorates three important Saints whose feast days fall

Tuesday 22 July: St Mary Magdalene: She was a companion of Jesus during his ministry and stood at the foot of the Cross alongside Jesus' mother and Mary of Clopas his aunt. On the morning of the Resurrection she came to the tomb to anoint the body of Jesus but found the stone rolled away and the tomb empty. She encountered the Risen Jesus who told her to go and find the brothers and tell them that he had risen. She is therefore now always known as the apostle to the apostles, a great model of proclamation for us all.

Wednesday 23 July: St Bridget of Sweden (1303-1373): Along with her husband she founded a double monastery and began the order of the Bridgettine Nuns caring for the poor and sick. She travelled to Rome in 1350 to urge the Pope to return to Rome from Avignon. She was declared a Patron of Europe as an example to us to copy of her vocation to the poor and

Destitute and her spirituality

Friday 25 July: St James, Apostle. Best known now for his pilgrimage route of Santiago di Compostella. He was the brother of John and along with Peter witnessed the Transfiguration of Jesus. He was the first of the Apostles to be martyred being beheaded by King Herod Agrippa I.



#### JUBILEE 2025 EVENTS

### JUBILEE OF GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY 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.



### ALL SAINTS JUBILEE PARISH PILGRIMAGE WALK TO THE CATHEDRAL

As part of our of Social Outreach Programme this year a Jubilee "Pilgrims of Hope" Walk from has been arranged for Sunday 7 September 2025

Commencing at 11.30am and departing from St Thomas More the route takes us through Wollaton Park and the Jubilee Campus aiming to arrive at the Cathedral by 1.30pm On arrival at the Cathedral we will celebrate the liturgy based around the Jubilee stations in the Cathedral. As an outreach opportunity why not ask a friend to come along. If you are not able to walk then still come for the gathering at 1.30pm at the Cathedral. Also bring a packed lunch and drink to enjoy in the Cathedral grounds before returning home.

### **VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT EVENING**

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

#### **NEW COUNTERS NEEDED!**

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

### **NEW EVANGELISATION PARISH TEAM**

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

The Group's Initial thoughts centred on **Adult formation** through simple, accessible events such as Chris-

tian film/video evenings with discussion.

Marriage and family life, especially helping parents pass on the faith and rediscover the grace of the sacrament of marriage.

Youth engagement, especially as other parallel parish initiatives

involving music or social activities take shape.

Outreach to the elderly, sick, or those approaching end of life.

Some first Initiatives we wish to put into action will be: **Sunday evening Vespers** (6:30pm, St Teresa's Church) lead by the Evangelisation Team.

Prayer Boxes: As a first outward-facing initiative, we will be placing a prayer request box in each of our churches. These will allow anyone — parishioners or visitors — to write down a prayer request for a personal intention, challenge, or difficulty. Cards can be submitted anonymously, or with contact details if the person wishes to be contacted. It may even offer a simple entry point for non-practicing Catholics or non-believers to experience being seen, heard, and prayed for.

Our next monthly meeting will take place on Sunday 11 August at 6:30pm in the hall or in the sacristy of St Teresa's church.

### SCHOOL SUMMER HOLIDAYS

As we gear up for the Summer break we wish everyone going on holiday a happy restful vacation. Whether you are going abroad or holidaying at home do take the opportunity to visit the local parish and experience their liturgy and hospitality.

The Welcome Table and Coffee after Mass at St Thomas More will now close and reopen for the duration of the school holidays.

### 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/meeting/register/LGMGyHzXRU-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.

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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.