

		<b>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.</b> Parish Priest: Rev. Canon Stanley Ofoegbu    Assistant Priest: Rev Fr Victor Onyebuchi Deacon: Rev Anthony Cordes	
<b>EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS 14 SEPTEMBER 2025</b>			
<b>Our Catholic Community welcomes you to The Parish of All Saints, West Nottingham. It is lovely to have you with us as we gather.</b>		<b>Parish Newsletter 10p</b>	
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		<b>SICK AND HOUSEBOUND</b> 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.	
<b>To set up on-line payments please use the following Bank details: All Saints, West Nottingham Sort Code: 30:96:18                      Account #: 01782817</b>		<b>Collections: St Hugh: 07/09 £133.50 + SO £135.25 St Thomas More: 07/09 £48.45 + SO £164.83 St Teresa: 07.09 £344.31 + SO £358.49</b>	
<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation: After vigil Mass on a Saturday and Sunday or by appointment with the Priest</b>			
<b>Psalter: Week 4 Weekday Cycle: Week 24 Year 1</b>		<b>LIFT HIGH THE CROSS</b>	
<b>Saturday 13 September: St John Chrysostom, bishop</b>  <b>Vigil Mass of the Exaltation of the Cross</b> 5.00pm STM: Int: Gill Smith RIP 6.30pm ST: Int: Ted Goonan-Dunne RIP		This weekend, the feast of the Exaltation of the Cross takes precedence over the Ordinary Sunday of the Year, and hence our reading of the Gospel of Luke is interrupted and in its place the Gospel of John is read. The feast is an ancient one reaching back into the early centuries of the Church. Indeed, it commemorates the discovery of the relic of the true cross iby Helena mother of the Emperor Constantine in Jerusalem. The relic was then installed in the Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre to be “exalted” (shown or displayed) before pilgrims and worshippers. It is this “exaltation” or “lifting up” which mimics the description Jesus himself conveys to Nicodemus, when he speaks of how he, the Son of Man, “ <i>must be lifted up</i> ”. Similarly in the reading from the letter to the Philippians, St Paul quotes an early Christian hymn which uses the same term to describe how by accepting death on a cross, Jesus is then “ <i>highly exalted</i> ”.	
<b>Sunday 14 September: Exaltation of the Cross</b> 9.30am SH: Int: Kevin McCormack RIP 11.00am ST: Int: Orlando Aiello RIP		The phrase therefore has a unique and specific significance in expressing our understanding of the nature and importance of this moment. For us as Christians, the crucifixion of Jesus is both a shattering and salvific moment at the same time. Shattering because of its shame and ignominy. Jesus dies the death of a common criminal. His disciples are horrified at what they witness, and they are left distraught and bereft at what they now perceive is the complete collapse of all they had hoped for. The Messiah, as prophesised throughout the scriptures has been crushed. But has he? Read once more what is written in the Book of Numbers: “ <i>make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it will live.</i> ” Read the prophet Zechariah: “ <i>they will look on the one they have pierced...and a fountain will be opened to wash away sin and impurity away.</i> ” Read the prophet Isaiah: “ <i>see my servant will prosper and rise to great heights...after the ordeal he will see the light...as he was bearing the sins of many.</i> ” Read the words of John the Baptist: “ <i>look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sins of the world.</i> ” This is the salvific moment when the true nature of Jesus’ Messiahship is revealed. The cross is transformed by the resurrection into the transcendent mystery which St John defines uniquely as Jesus’ “ <i>glorification</i> ”, the moment when, as Jesus himself predicted the Law and the Prophets have been completed. The cross is not as St Paul said the “ <i>scandal which the Jews cannot overcome nor the folly which the Greeks find absurd</i> ”. The cross is the means through which the Divine mercy of the Father vindicates his love for the world.	
<b>6.30pm ST: Sunday Vespers Evening Prayer of the Church led by Evangelisation Parish Team</b>		What then when we look at the cross, what do we see? Obstacles and absurdity or love? The death of Jesus confounds our world, but to be his disciple we are called to take up the cross and follow him. This means bringing with us all the baggage of our lives, all the things which make us the persons we are, the good, the bad and the ugly. The obstacles we can’t overcome and the absurdities we feel incapable of fathoming and in that moment of decision they are lifted up, overcome and subsumed in the Divine Mercy.                      Deacon Anthony	
<b>Monday 15: September : Our Lady of Sorrows</b> 9.30am ST: Michael Hassett RIP 3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet			
<b>Tuesday 16 September St Cornelius Pope, &amp; Cyprian</b> 9.30 am ST Int: 3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet			
<b>Wednesday 17 September Feria</b> 9.30am SH: Kathleen Doherty RIP 3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet			
<b>Thursday 18 September Feria</b> 3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet			
<b>Friday 19 September: Feria</b> 3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet 7.30pm STM: Int: Vocations			
<b>Saturday 20 September: Sts Andrew Kim Taegon &amp; Companions</b> <b>Vigil Mass of the 25th Sunday of the Year</b> 5.00pm STM: Int: Carla Kearney RIP 6.30pm ST: Int: George Mitts RIP			
<b>Sunday 21 September : 25th Sunday of the Year</b> 9.30am SH: Int: 11.00am ST: Int:			
<b>6.30pm ST: Sunday Vespers Evening Prayer of the Church led by Evangelisation Parish Team</b>			

<b>Saints and Feasts of the Week:</b> <b>Monday 15th September: Our Lady of Sorrows</b> Previously known as the “Seven Sorrows of Our Lady” it recalls the traumas Mary went through during the life of her son Jesus. The mass of this feast contains the famous sequence “Stabat Mater” which is now sung when the praying of the Stations of the Cross <b>Tuesday 16th September: Sts Cornelius (-253) and Cyprian (210-258).</b> Cornelius became Pope in 251. He fought against the Novation schism (refusal to re-admit the lapsed) along with his great ally Cyprian, Bishop of Carthage. Under a persecution of the Church by the Roman Emperor Decius all citizens were required to sacrifice to the Roman gods forcing Christians to choose between apostasy and martyrdom. <b>Saturday 20th September: Sts Andrew Tae-gon &amp; Companions.</b> The Korean Church has the unique claim of being founded entirely by lay people, who withstood wave after wave of persecutions and in less than a century could boast of 10,000 martyrs. Andrew Tae-gon the first priest Korean priest was martyred in 1846. This day celebrates the martyrdom over a 100 lay men and women and children.	
 <b>JUBILEE 2025 EVENTS ALL SAINTS JUBILEE PARISH PILGRIMAGE WALK TO THE CATHEDRAL</b> A Big thank-you to all who did the parish pilgrimage/walk in the Cathedral last week.  <b>JUBILEE OF SCHOOLS &amp; YOUNG PEOPLE</b> This will be celebrated in the Diocese on Education Day with liturgy and prayers on Sunday 14 September  <b>JUBILEE OF THOSE WITH ADDITONAL NEEDS</b> 20 September. Bishop Patrick will celebrate the SPANNED Mass at St Pater’s Hinckley Leicester at 2.30pm to which all are welcome  <b>JUBILEE OF ALTAR SERVERS</b> All Altar Servers are invited to the Diocesan Jubilee of Altar Servers, with Mass celebrated by Bishop Patrick in our Cathedral in Nottingham (Derby Road, NG1 5AE) on <b>Saturday 27th September</b> . Bring your alb / cassock and cotta, and <b>arrive for 10.30am onwards, for Mass at 11.30am</b> . Bring a packed lunch too, and enjoy a picnic in the Cathedral Hall and gardens. All are welcome!  <b>INTERNATIONAL SHARED TABLE AT ST THOMAS MORE</b> <b>After the Vigil Mass on Saturday 13 September for 6.00pm</b> Do come along to our next Social/Outreach event which is taking place in the Hall at St Thomas More Wollaton. Come along for the 5.00pm Mass and then stay on for the shared table of international food. The Hall will be open from 4.30pm to receive your contributions of dishes of an international flavour. The evening will conclude with a cunningly challenging quiz so brush up on your general knowledge.  <b>FOR ALL CATECHISTS</b> To celebrate the amazing work of the wonderful Catechists who do so much in our diocese we will be having a Jubilee of Catechists Day. The day will include the celebration of Mass and a conference to help them in their ministry. There will be two keynote talks from Dr Mark Nash Director for the Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis, with workshops and time to mingle. <b>The day will be held on Saturday 11th October at Saint Joseph’s Church, Leicester, LE5 6SG; from 10.00am until 4.00pm</b> , and will cost £10; please bring a packed lunch. More information can be found at <a href="https://bit.ly/CatechistJubilee">https://bit.ly/CatechistJubilee</a> or email <a href="mailto:formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk">formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk</a>  <b>SEASON OF CREATION</b> On Wednesday 17th September, 7.00pm-9.00pm, the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Peace will be showing The Letter in Cathedral Hall, Nottingham, NG1 5AE. Inspired by Pope Francis’ encyclical Laudato Si’ this film invites us to reflect on our common home during this Season of Creation. Light refreshments will be provided, and for details contact <a href="mailto:david@cspj-uk.co.uk">david@cspj-uk.co.uk</a>  <b>100 CLUB WINNERS</b> Congratulations to the 100 club winners for July & August: 1st and 2nd Prize: Etta Malbon & Allan Gascoigne (JULY) 1st and 2nd Prize: Pat Duggan & Jennifer Appleyard (AUGUST). If you could pick up your cheques from St Teresa’s Sacristy, that would be much appreciated!  <b>WOLLATON CHURCHES TOGETHER</b> Are looking for new committee members to join to continue the work of ecumenism within the local area. It would be lovely if more All Saints parishioners could become more involved in this important ministry of the Church. For more information please speak with Deacon Anthony or Judith 0115 9284816	<b>RCIC PROGRAMME FOR CHILDREN 8+</b> Do you have a child aged 8 or older who has not been baptised or who wishes to become Catholic? This programme is for Children aged 8 and above who are not yet baptised or baptised in another Christian denomination and are interested in becoming Catholic and receiving the sacraments. To register please speak to Jenny Paling or a member of the clergy.  <b>FIRST RECONCILIATION AND COMMUNION PROGRAMME</b> We are delighted to invite families to register for our brand new First Reconciliation and Holy Communion Programme for baptised children, in year 3 and above. This is a special and sacred time as children deepen their understanding of faith and prepare to receive Jesus in the Holy Eucharist for the very first time. A registration and information evening will take place at St Teresa’s Church on <b>Thurs day the 18th September 2025 at 6 pm</b> .  <b>BAPTISM COURSE</b> Continues on Thursday St Teresa Hall at 7.00pm on Thursday 25 September concluding on Thursday 2 October.  <b>RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS</b> We are now looking to begin this year’s programme for the RCIA. If you are interested in becoming a Catholic or know anyone who is, or if you would like to know more about the Catholic faith then please contact either Fr Victor or Deacon Anthony for further information.  <b>NEW EVANGELISATION PARISH TEAM</b> Some first Initiatives we will be putting into action will be: <b>Sunday evening Vespers</b> (6:30pm, St Teresa’s Church) <b>Prayer Boxes:</b> 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.  <b>CRAFT GROUP AFTER SATURDAY MASS AT ST THOMAS MORE</b> All are welcome into the hall after the 5.00pm Mass to enjoy an hour of craft making on <b>Sat 20th September and Sat 11th October</b> . No experience needed and all materials will be provided. Donations of finished crafts are welcome for the Christmas Fair where funds raised will support church maintenance. Please contact Judith 0115 9284816 for more information.  <b>TREVOR JOYCE RIP</b> Trevor Joyce passed away in America and the blessing of ashes will happen at St Hugh’s on Friday 17th October at 12 noon. We keep his family in our prayers during this time of grieving.  <b>Sr MARY DOYLE RIP</b> Sr Mary, resided at the Convent in Wollaton where she died. Her funeral Mass will be on Monday 22 September at 11.30am at St Joseph’s Church, Uppingham Road, Leicester, LE5 6RA. Please keep all the Sisters in the Convent in your prayers.  <b>MONICA O'DOWD</b> Please keep Monica in your prayers following the death of her son Andrew (62yrs) who died last Wednesday 10th September after a courageous battle against cancer. We pray for the repose of Andrew’s soul and for all the family
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<b>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.</b>	