

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.

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

26TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 28 SEPTEMBER 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 10₁

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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

To set up on-line payments please use the following Bank details: All Saints, West Nottingham

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: 21/9 £ + SO £135.25 St Thomas More: 21/9 £ + SO £164.83 St Teresa: 21/9 £ + SO £358.49

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

Psalter: Week 2 Weekday Cycle: Week 26 Year 1 Saturday 27 September: St Vincent de Paul, priest Vigil Mass of the 26th Sunday of the Year 5.00pm STM: Int: CSJP Srs Intentions 6.30pm ST: Int: People of the Parish Sunday 28 September: 26th Sunday of the Year 9.30am SH: Int: Mrs Jackie Wilson RIP 11.00am ST: Int: 6.30pm ST: Sunday Vespers Evening Prayer of the Church led by Evangelisation Parish Team

Monday 29 September: Sts Michael, Gabriel, Raphael Archangels 9.30am ST. 3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet

Tuesday 30 September St Jerome, priest & Doctor 9.30 am ST Int:

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Wednesday 1 October: St Teresa if Lisieux, Doctor NO MASS AT ST HUGH'S 11.00am ST:

3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet

Thursday 2 October: The Guardian Angels 3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet 6.00pm ST: Funeral Reception Liam O'Reilly

Friday 3 October: Feria 11.30am ST: Requiem Mass for Liam O'Reilly 3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet NO EVENING MASS AT ST THOMAS MORE

Saturday 4 October: St Francis of Assisi

Vigil Mass of the 27th Sunday of the Year 5.00pm STM: Int: Andrew O'Dowd RIP 6.30pm ST: Int: Eittme Molloy RIP

Sunday 5 October: 27th Sunday of the Year 9.30am SH: Int:

11.00am ST: Int:
6.30pm ST: Sunday Vespers Evening Prayer of the
Church led by Evangelisation Parish Team

ANOTHER OF LUKE'S UNIQUE PARABLES

Like the parable of the Prodigal son and the Good Samaritan, the parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus is unique to Luke's gospel. Like its two famous offerings the parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus has many features which make it both memorable and so very appropriate for the modern ear. Over these last months and weeks, the plight afflicting the people in Gaza has been one of starvation and utter desperation. Day after day we have seen their suffering and distress. Our institutional incapacity to take any effective long-term action to alleviate their hardship speaks to us all of a great lack of action to try and change things. The words which strike me most from the parable are sobering; between us and you a great chasm has been fixed in order that those who would pass from here to you may not do so, and none may cross from there to us. These words are hard to listen to when placed against the reality of what is happening in Gaza. Have we become so deaf and so blind that we feel that there is nothing that we can do? Maybe we should regard this parable not as a reflection on the after-life, but as a cautionary tale for the here and now. Just what is this great chasm and who is responsible for it?

The parables of Jesus are meant to pull us all up short. They are meant to make us think and to cause us to change the pattern of our lives. How often is it that we act like the Priest and the Levite and bury our heads and walk on the other side? How often it is that we grasp at what we want and once we have it irresponsibly waste it on our own pleasures? How often in our blindness do we fail to act on issues which clearly require drastic resolution? Are these not all *chasms* which we have, whether through omission or commission, allowed to emerge in this world? Why have we allowed such situations to happen?

Perhaps the die was cast from the very beginning. Our failure to take moral responsibility for our deeds and actions lies at the heart of the origin stories in the Book of Genesis and that rupture within our human nature still haunts and troubles our psyche down to this day. Adam blames Eve for the original sin and then Cain refutes his responsibility for murdering his brother and on it goes down through the generations ... not me gov, you must be thinking of someone else. Should we therefore be so surprised by the parable Jesus offers in which a rich man is oblivious to the sufferings of Lazarus even as he sits by his very gate. The chasm between them was already plain to see and the rich man has no qualms about that, but we can't make the same excuse. The cry of the poor comes streaming into our living rooms and onto our devices every day and we must be alert to their plight. Cast your eyes across the responsorial psalm for today and you'll find a powerful evocation of the call which we should be listening out for. Furthermore Jesus hints at his own fears that we will fail to wake up and open our eyes to our own insouciance and instead continue to meet our own needs without caring for those of our brothers and sisters.

Deacon Anthony

Saints and Feasts of the Week:

Monday 29 September: Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael. Their names mean Gift of God, strength of God, and healing of God respectively. They appaear in the Old and New Testament, bringing gifts, strength and healing into peoples lives.

Tuesday 30 September; St Jerome (340-420). Famous for translating the Bible into Latin and for some rather acrimonious correspondence with St Augustine his contemporary Wednesday 1 October: Saint Therese of the child Jesus (1873-1897). One of the patrons of our parish famous for her "Little Way" and her memoirs "The Story of a soul"in which she encapsulates an understanding of God's love as the way to perfection.

Thursday 2 October: The Holy Guardian Angels. At the heart of the word "evangelise" lies the name "angel", which means to bear a message. We all are evangelisers tasked with the job of bringing the message of the "Good News."

Saturday 4 October; Francis of Assisi (1181-1226). Founder of the order of Friars, he captured the essence of the gospel by handing over all his possessions and then seeking to care for the poor. He is the supreme example of the power of the gospel to challenge and change the world.

JUBILEE 2025 EVENTS



JUBILEE OF THE DIOCESE OF NOTTINGHAM

On the 175th anniversary of the raising of the Diocese of Nottingham Bishop Patrick will celebrate Mass in the Cathedral on Monday 29 September at 12.00 noon to which all are welcome.

FOR ALL CATECHISTS

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. The day will be held on Saturday 11th October at Saint Joseph's Church, Leicester, LE5 6SG; from 10.00am until 4.00pm, and will cost £10; please bring a packed lunch. More information can be found at https://bit.ly/CatechistJubilee or email formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk

SEASON OF CREATION

Inspired by Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si' continues until 4 October. Let us pray for the world at this special time.

TRAINING FOR NEW ALTAR SERVERS AT ST TERESA'S
There will be two training sessions for new Altar Servers on Sunday 5th October and Sunday 12th October, at 10.15 before the
11am Mass. The training will start in the Sacristy. Altar Servers
must have made their first Holy Communion.
Please let the Sacristan know if you are interested.

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY

Friday 3rd October. Please return your envelope or alternatively go directly to Cafod's website to donate.

THE NEXT PRIESTLY DISCERNMENT MEETING

will be in Nottingham on Saturday 18th October. We will be visiting the Cathedral and the Mary Potter Heritage Centre. To book a place and for more information please email Father Neil at vocations@dioceseofnottingham.uk

MASS AT ST TERESA ON WEDNESDAY 1 OCTOBER - THE FEAST OF ST TERESA

We extend to all our parishioners, teachers and children who worship work and study at St Teresa's Church and School the warmest of love and prayers on this her feast day.

Mass will be celebrated in St Teresa's at 11.00am

BIBLE TIMELINE COURSE FROM START TO FINISH.

with this Free of Charge, world-renowned course presented online by Mauro lannicelli. Starting on Wednesday 1st October at 7.00pm (x8 Wednesday evening sessions). For information and to register, visit www.comeandsee.org

NO EVENING MASS AT ST THOMAS MORE

There will not be Mass at St Thomas More on Friday 3 October

NO WELCOME TABLE AT ST THOMAS MORE THIS FRIDAY
Please note that the Welcome Table for this Friday 3 October has
been cancelled. It will re-open on the 10 October.

NEW EVANGELISATION PARISH TEAM

Sunday evening Vespers (6:30pm, St Teresa's Church) Next Meeting: Sunday 12 October 6.30pm

BAPTISM COURSE

The last session is scheduled for Thursday 2 October.at 7.30pm in St Teresa's Church Hall. Please note the change of time.

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME

We were delighted to see so many children registering for the Sacramental Programme. Our next meeting will take place on Thursday, 2nd October at 6:00 PM in St Teresa's Church Hall. Please direct all future

communications to our new email address: allsaintswn-fhc@dioceseofnottingham.uk

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

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

CRAFT GROUP AFTER SATURDAY MASS AT ST THOMAS MORE

All are welcome into the hall after the 5.00pm Mass to enjoy an hour of craft making on **Sat 11th October** and **Sat 8th November**. 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.

TREVOR JOYCE RIP

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.

MONICA O'DOWD

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. His funeral, will be on Tuesday 30 September at 1.30pm at Holy Cross Hucknall.

MR WILLIAM JOSEPH O'REILLY, KNOWN AS LIAM RIP

Liam died on the 3 September aged 82 yrs and we pray for the repose of his soul. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family especially Margaret Gallagher at this sad time. They were regular attendees at St Thomas More. His reception will be on Thursday 2 October at 6.00pm and his Requiem Mass will be celebrated on

Friday 3 October 2025 at 11:30am both at St Teresa's

DIOCESAN ROADSHOWS

In February 2025, four were held across the Diocese of Nottingham, bringing together clergy and parish representatives for prayer, presentations, and open dialogue about our shared future. The diocesan team and senior clergy have worked to compile, group, and respond to contributions in a way that is honest, accurate, and accessible. We are now pleased to share the full report, which gives a clear account of the roadshows, the issues raised, and the steps we are taking as we continue our journey towards becoming a more missionary, outward-looking Church. The report is available on the parish website

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The Welcome Table is now only operating on Friday at St Thomas More from 12.30pm until 2.00pm