



PARISH OF ALL SAINTS, WEST NOTTINGHAM,
SERVING THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF
St Teresa of Lisieux, Aspley (NG8 3EP), St Hugh of Lincoln,
Bilborough (NG8 4EX) and St Thomas More, Wollaton (NG8 2GA)
 Parish Priest: Rev. Canon Stanley Ofoegbu Assistant Priest: Rev Fr Victor Onyebuchi
 Deacon: Rev Anthony Cordes

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT - 22ND FEBRUARY 2026

Our Catholic Community welcomes you to The Parish of All Saints, West Nottingham. It is lovely to have you with us as we gather together as one in the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Parish Newsletter 10p

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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.

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](https://www.facebook.com/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.

To set up on-line payments please use the following Bank details:
All Saints, West Nottingham
Sort Code: 30:96:18 Account #: 01782817

Collections: St Hugh: 15/02 £146.19 + SO £105.62
St Thomas More: 15/02 £135.50 + SO £119.29
St Teresa: 15/02 £442.89 + SO £335.38

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

Psalter: Week 1 Weekday Cycle: 1st Week of Lent

THE BLESSINGS OF LENT

Saturday 21st February: Lenten Feria
Vigil Mass of The First Sunday of Lent
 5.00pm STM: Int: Geoffrey Taylor RIP
 6.30pm ST: Int: Tony Molloy RIP

As you know we have been reading the Sermon on the Mount these past few weeks, listening to Jesus speaking to us of the blessings which we receive through knowing and experiencing his presence. Now though we have entered the Season of Lent and our mood shifts as the blessings of this season are revealed to us over the coming forty days. Each Sunday we will be offered a new gift of blessing as the Lenten gospels unfold their glory through conversion, transfiguration, encounter, insight and re-birth. Each week in each gospel account, we will find a pathway directing us to a deeper relationship with Jesus, one that will re-shape our understanding of him in the context of our own lives, so that we become blessed by his love. This week we begin with the story of the temptation in the desert, a story that asks of us an act of conversion.

Sunday 22nd February : The First Sunday of Lent
 9.30am SH: Int: Douglass Wakefield RIP
 11.00am ST: Int: Valentino Chibbaro RIP
 2.00pm ST : Nottingham African Community Mass
 6.30pm ST: Sunday Vespers Evening Prayer of the Church

The encounter between Jesus and Satan is not a casual one. It is the Spirit who sends Jesus into the wilderness to meet with the “diabolos” or the “one who scatters”. It is essentially a re-wind back to the garden of Eden where Adam and Eve are confronted by the serpent. It is the eternal confrontation between our own selfish desire and the strength of our will power. We have to be mindful of how frequently these confrontations are. The social media we have access to at the touch of a button, is testament to how susceptible we are to the scatter’s charms. It is why our conversion, our returning to God, is a constant renewal of our coming back to the one who calls us. Each day this call to conversion is a reminder of how easily our lives can fall from the path which the Lord sets before us and of the consequences of such a fall.

Monday 23rd February: Lenten Feria
 9.30am ST: Mary Coffey: Speedy Recovery
 3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet

Tuesday 24th February: Lenten Feria
10.00am ST Requiem Mass for Bernadette Burns RIP
 3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet

What then enables us to resist? If we understand the responses which Jesus makes when he answers the devil, we come to a clear vision of what conversion implies. By placing God, the highest good, at the heart of everything, we come to a realisation that centres the blessedness of conversion which God offers, within the context of our lives. Love God and love everything else for the sake of God, is how St Augustine put it, and such sentiment establishes a cohesion about our attitude to our faith. Our conversion is a living necessity which endures by virtue of our own actions. If we do not act on our conversion, then it is meaningless. The temptations which surround us are real, and it does take an act great commitment to resist them. As St Peter said, the devil is like a roaring lion, constantly prowling about to find his prey, but you well grounded in the faith can resist him (1Peter 5;8). Our faith shields us from the testing, and it is by applying our faith to the daily situations we encounter, that we live our conversion. This is what Jesus means when he uses the words of scripture to confound the devil. We don’t live on bread alone but on the blessings which come from knowing that the presence of the living God is at work within us. We begin our Lenten journey by recommitting ourselves to the pathway of conversion, a pathway rich in blessings that continue to shelter and protect us as we travel.

Wednesday 25th February: Lenten Feria
 9.30am SH: People of the Parish
 3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet

Thursday 26th February: Lenten Feria
 3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet

Friday 27th February: Lenten Feria
 11.45am STM: Int of the Spanish Prayer Group
 3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet

Saturday 28th February: Lenten Feria
Vigil Mass of The Second Sunday of Lent
 5.00pm STM: Int: Carem Tomas Gozalbez & Vincente Ubeda Alos and Deceased family members RIP
 6.30pm ST: Int: Margaret Higgins RIP

Sunday 1st March : The Second Sunday of Lent
 9.30am SH: Int: Wong Family: Thanksgiving
 11.00am ST: Int: Anna Stiegler RIP
 6.30pm ST: Sunday Vespers Evening Prayer of the Church

Deacon Anthony

WORD OF THE WEEK: PRAYER.
Prayer is a conversation with God. It is a way of opening our hearts to him and sharing our thoughts and feelings with him. Prayer can be done in many different ways, such as through words, music, or silence. During Lent, we can use prayer to reflect on our relationship with God, and to ask for his guidance and strength.
Take a moment this week to pray. Think about what you want to say to God and what he might be saying to you.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS IN OUR CHURCHES
We warmly invite everyone to join us for the Stations of the Cross, a reflective journey through the final hours of Jesus. This moving service will be held in St Hugh’s church on a Friday at 6.00pm, St Thomas More church on a Saturday at 4.20pm before the Vigil Mass and in St Teresa’s Church on a Sunday at 5.30pm. All are welcome – come and spend some quiet time in prayer and contemplation. Bring your family and friends to share in this meaningful tradition.
We look forward to seeing you there.

BAPTISM COURSE
Our next class for parents of children 6 years and under will take place over three evenings on Thursday 26th February, 5th and 12th March at 7.30pm in St Teresa’s Parish hall. This class is for parishioners from St Thomas More, St Hugh’s and St Teresa’s churches. If you would like your child/children to be baptised please complete a baptism form from the back of church and hand in to the office by Thursday 19th February.

PLEASE PRAY FOR
Bernadette (Leslie) Burns RIP who recently passed away. We pray for her family and friends at this sad time. **Her Requiem Mass will be at St Teresa’s this Tuesday 24th February at 10.00am.**

RCIA PROGRAMME
The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) programme classes will continue again this Monday 23rd February January 2026. Can all candidates make every effort to attend please.

NOTTINGHAM DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE
Respond to Our Lady’s invitation, and join Bishop Patrick, in the Nottingham Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage 2026. Departing from East Midlands airport on Monday 13th July, enjoy five days in Lourdes with over 200 people from across our diocese. Those with additional needs will be cared for by our health team and helpers’ team. Mary invites us all to come to this holy place. More details from the tour operator:
<https://www.tangney-tours.com/diocese-pilgrimages/diocese-nottingham/>

RITE OF ELECTION
The Rite of Election for all our candidates from the RCIA and RCIC Programmes is this Sunday 22nd February at the Cathedral. Please remember Hiu Ching Lau, Hannah Ugokwe, Chin Ting Lam, Shun Hei Lam, Man Huen Choi, Tsz Yuk Choi, Juanita Odehlamon Shing Hei Lai, Giovanna Ene and Karmani Newcombe, Pui Kit Choi, Lai Fan Lee, Helen Idaomi, Comfort Odehlamon, Lai Ling Wong, Laurence Macey-Cartwright in your prayers as they take the next step to becoming full members of our Catholic family.

THE DIOCESAN YOUTH SERVICE NDCYS
is taking a group of young people and young adults to Lourdes, France as part of the Diocesan Pilgrimage in July 2026. If you are aged 16+ and unable to go with your school, or a young adult who would like to be a small group leader, we encourage you to download the information pack and apply at ndcys.com/Lourdes

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME
Our next meeting for CHILDREN is scheduled for Thursday 26th February at 6:00pm at St Teresa’s.

THE NOTTINGHAM 40 DAYS FOR LIFE
Praying for an end to abortion, runs between Wednesday 18th February and Sunday 29th March. During these 40 days of Lent pro-lifers will be: praying for an end to abortion in our community. More information is at www.40daysforlife.com/nottingham or contact 40daysforlifennotts@gmail.com

WOLLATON CHURCHES TOGETHER LENT COURSE
*Beginning on Tuesday 24th February and running on each Wednesday and Tuesday of Lent, WCT are putting on a series of group sessions guided by the book **Alive – Life changing encounters with the Risen Lord**, by Dave Smith. Meetings will be held on a Tuesday afternoon at 2.00pm at Grangewood, and a Wednesday evening at 7.30pm on the 25 Feb at St Leonard’s, 4 March at St Thomas More, 10 March at Kingswood, 17 March at Grangewood and 24 March at St Leonard’s. For further information please contact Deacon Anthony*

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY
Will be on Friday, 27th February. This Lent, you can help families grow enough food to eat. When crops fail, families go hungry because the land they depend on can no longer sustain them. Giving this Lent is an act of love for our global neighbours. Donations can be given using the envelopes available at the back of church and or by visiting CAFOD’s website.

NOTTINGHAM DEANERY STATION MASS—3RD MARCH
Bishop Patrick will celebrate this year’s Deanery Station Mass in Holy Cross Church on Tuesday 3rd March. The evening will begin with Adoration at 6.00pm until 6.45pm and during this time there will also be the opportunity for individual confessions with a Priest from our Deanery. Mass will begin at 7.00pm prompt and refreshments will be available in the hall afterwards.

ALL SAINTS 100 CLUB
The draw for December & January has now been made and the winners are shown below. Due to a large number of non-renewals, the current number of participants is now 56. As a result, the prizes will be reduced to reflect the smaller pool of funds. The first prize will now be £50.00 and the second prize £25.00. This would raise £1788.00 over the year for the parish. If anyone would like to enrol and take out a subscription at £4.00 per month then please contact Deacon Anthony via the parish email. Many thanks Deacon Anthony.

NB - A GENTLE REMINDER TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS
For the safety and wellbeing of all children attending Mass, we kindly ask that parents or guardians accompany their children if they need to use the toilet during the service. Your support helps us ensure that every child in our parish community is kept safe and supervised at all times.
Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

ALL SAINTS 100 CLUB PRIZE DRAW
Below are the winners for December and January. The winning cheques are available to be collected from the Sacristy at St Teresa’s.

Month	1st Prize £50.00	2nd Prize £25.00
December	Jill Adamieceki	Jude Alvares
January	Alison Anderton	Chidi Onyenghala

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The Welcome Table continues on Friday’s at St Thomas More from 12.30pm until 2.00pm
Everyone welcome.