

	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	
	TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - 23RD AUGUST 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
CLERGY CONTACT DETAILS For Rev. Canon Stanley & Rev Fr Victor Onyebuchi: 0115 9295907 For Deacon Anthony : 07453 110911 PARISH OFFICE CONTACT DETAILS 0115 9295907 e.mail: allsaintsw@dioceseofnottingham.uk 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 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: 16/08 £ + SO £105.62 St Thomas More: 16/08 £ + SO £119.29 St Teresa: 16/08 £+ 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: Twenty-First week of Ordinary Time	A KEY MOMENT	
Saturday 22nd August: <i>The Queenship of he Blessed Virgin Mary (memorial)</i> 9.30am ST: Adoration 10.30am ST: Mass 12.00 noon ST: Baptism of Rhodes Spencer <i>3.00pm ST: Baptism of Enea Cattaneo Colombo</i> Vigil Mass of The Twenty-First Sunday of the Year <i>5.00pm STM: Int: Intentions of Terry & Christine O'Dowd & Family & Graham Burt RIP</i> 6.30pm ST: Int: People of the Parish	Because of the Solemnity of the Assumption last week, our journey through Matthew’s gospel has moved on a pace. Jesus has been busy, curing, healing, feeding, teaching and explaining to the disciples the meaning and purpose of what he is doing and the implication of it all. He encounters a Canaanite woman who impacts him profoundly as she seems to have more insight about who he is than any of the disciples. As a consequence of her faith, her sick daughter is healed. The Pharisees and Sadducees confront him once more, demanding a sign. He responds saying the only sign they will receive will be the sign of Jonah. He reminds the disciples to be alert to the “yeast” of the Pharisees. And so we arrive at a key moment. Having shown and demonstrated to the disciples many signs and works, he brings them to the region of Caesarea Philippi, a place that was replete with Temples to various gods of Roman, Greek and pagan background. It is in the context of this place, that the disciples, having witnessed all that Jesus had done, are now asked: who do people say I am and who do you say I am?	
Sunday 23rd August: Twenty-First Sunday of the Year <i>9.30am SH: Int: Sick & Retired Priests of Diocese</i> 11.00am ST: Int: Louise Jennifer Arul & Mervin Monfort Marriage - thanksgiving	These are profoundly consequential questions, relevant to every person in every walk of life. The first question is perhaps generic in its purpose. Today our own society with its history of Christianity struggles to answer it. How many people are even remotely interested in responding? The two major events in the calendar, when the question might become topical, have lost their focus, thanks to a man in a red coat and to a chocolate egg. You might get a bit more clarity with the second question, which for most evokes the response that Jesus was a good man, a kind and gentle religious teacher who was a bit over the top about who he thought he was, and sadly went the way of all flesh when the Romans decided he was no more than a misguided troublemaker. Is that it? It sounds like we’ve returned to the region of Caesarea Philippi 2.0 and that our society is itself overrun with gods of every type and sort. Gods that are a construct of our own minds, residing in temples that satisfy our own self-fulfilling desires. Am I being too pessimistic? Perhaps, but we need to act and respond now. How bold are we? Do we see these times as key moments for our own faith and its residency in people’s hearts and minds?	
Monday 24th August: <i>St Bartholomew, Apostle (Feast)</i> <i>9.30am ST:</i> 3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet	Jesus builds his Church on Simon bar Jonah. A man to whom he gave the nickname “Rock”. This “rock” had to have a few flints knocked off him before he finally shaped up, but he’s not such a bad model for us to focus on. But be assured, his response to the question was sound, he just had to go through some rocky (excuse the pun) events and key moments before he grasped the truth about the man from Nazareth. So, like Peter we must profess our faith in Jesus as the Christ, the Son of the living God, and hold onto that affirmation, even when Christmas seems like Winterval and Easter more a celebration of Springtide. It is only through boldly standing up and professing with conviction what we believe, and being able to offer rational arguments for our belief, that our faith will be the rock and foundation of our discipleship of Jesus Christ, Son of the living God.	
Tuesday 25th August: FERIA <i>9.30am ST:</i> 3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet	Deacon Anthony	
Wednesday 26th August: FERIA <i>9.30am SH: Int: Sick & Retired Priests of Diocese</i> 3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet		
Thursday 27th August: <i>St Monica, (memorial)</i> 3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet		
Friday 28th August: <i>St Augustine, bishop and doctor (memorial)</i> <i>11.45am ST:</i> 3.00pm ST: Divine Mercy Chaplet		
Saturday 29th August: <i>The Passion of Saint John the Baptist (memorial)</i> 9.30am ST: Adoration 10.30am ST: Mass Vigil Mass of The Twenty-Second Sunday of the Year <i>5.00pm STM: Int:</i> 6.30pm ST: Int: Mark Goonan RIP		
Sunday 30th August: Twenty-Second Sunday of the Year <i>9.30am SH: Int: Vincent's Intentions</i> 11.00am ST: Int: People of the Parish <i>2.00pm Nottingham African Community Mass</i>		

CONFIRMATION 2026 <i>Bishop Patrick will visit our parish on the 26th November 2026 to celebrate Mass with the Sacrament of Confirmation in St Teresa's church @ 7.00pm.</i> <i>We thank all those who have registered for this Sacrament. Applications and letters will be read in the next couple of weeks and an email will be sent out regarding next steps at the beginning of September. This is an important time for all candidates in the next step in their journey of faith. We are looking forward to accompanying all candidates on this very important next step.</i>		
<i>“Come, Holy Spirit, and guide us in all we do.”</i>		
OFFICE HOLIDAY Please note that the office will be closed until Tuesday 1st September for its annual summer break. If your enquiry is urgent please call the office and leave a message. Emails will be responded to once the office reopens. Canon Stanley is away and will return on 5th September 2026. Thank you for your understanding and continued support.		
FEASTS OF THE WEEK MONDAY 24TH AUGUST: ST BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE. From Cana in Galilee brought by Philip to meet Jesus. Tradition tells us he was martyred in Armenia by being flayed alive. Patron Saint of the sick THURSDAY 27TH AUGUST: ST MONICA (331-387) Mother of St Augustine for whose conversion she constantly prayed. Remembered for her prayer: “Bury me where you will, only one thing I ask that you remember me at the altar of the Lord wherever you may be”. FRIDAY 28TH AUGUST: ST AUGUSTINE (354-430). The great Church Father of the Western Latin Church. A towering figure whose intellect dominated Church teaching for centuries. “Our heart is restless Lord until it finds its rest in you”. SATURDAY 29TH AUGUST: THE PASSION OF JOHN THE BAPTIST. Recorded in the gospel by Jesus as being the greatest of the sons of men. His passion and death is also referred to by Josephus in his writing on the history of the Jewish people.		
WORD OF THE WEEK: BEGINNINGS <i>Our faith reminds us that every day is a new beginning. With each sunrise, we have the chance to start fresh, to turn to God, and to make choices that reflect our love for him. Even if we've made mistakes in the past, God's mercy is always available. In the sacraments, like Baptism and Reconciliation, we experience the power of new beginnings and God's constant love.</i> Where in your life do you need a fresh start? Make a promise this week to do something differently from now on.		
THE NEW WINDOW AT ST THOMAS MORE <i>The new stained-glass window proposed for the front of the Church is estimated at a cost of £4,700. Perhaps parishioners might consider contributing a legacy payment, engraved in a dedication plaque to be displayed in the Church. See Deacon Anthony for further details.</i> BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS <i>We welcome into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism; Rhodes Spencer and Enea Cattaneo Colombo. We congratulate their parents, godparents and families.</i> OPPOSE ASSISTED SUICIDE. <i>As you may have seen, the proposal to legalise assisted suicide which was rejected by the Lords in the last parliamentary session is returning to the Commons in exactly the same form on Friday 11th September. The Bishops have asked us to contact / write to our MPs once again, to express our opposition to this bill. They have provided materials to help us to do this on their website (www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide/). SPUC also offers advice on what to say to your MP (SPUC.org.uk/Fight the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill). There is only a short time before the bill is debated on. Please contact your MP as soon as possible.</i> MARRIAGE CARE VACANCY <i>Catholic Marriage Care is looking for an Appointments Service Administrator who is able to work for 8 hours per week, taking enquiries from people seeking relationship counselling or marriage preparation. Please visit: www.marriagecare.org.uk or see poster in church.</i>		PLEASE PRAY FOR Mary Rogers RIP and give thanks for all the work she did in the parish over the years she resided here. Mary was one of our first Extraordinary Minsters and her contribution to the music of the church was outstanding. Mary attended Mass daily before becoming housebound and thereafter she took great comfort in her visits from Priests and Extraordinary Ministers. She was a woman of quiet but deepfelt faith and she was rewarded the Benemerenti Medal for her services to the church. May Mary’s gentle soul rest in peace. Her Requiem Mass will take place on Tuesday 25th August at 11am at St Mary’s Church, Loughborough. <i>We pray for the repose of her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Amen</i> <i>天主教成人慕道班</i> RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS IN CANTONESE <i>This September we will deliver a course in Cantonese for anyone interested in becoming a catholic. The classes will be held at St Teresa’s on every Saturday at 11:30am (after the 10.30am Mass), and via zoom if required. If you know someone who may be interested, please ask them to contact the office or email: allsaintsw@dioceseofnottingham.uk This course will be led by MM Leung and she is happy to answer any queries you may have before registering.</i> SHARED TABLE AND QUIZ AT ST THOMAS MORE <i>Following the Vigil Mass on 12 September at 5.00pm why not come along and join your fellow parishioners for a shared table of food and drink in the Hall. The Hall will be open from 4.15pm to receive contributions of food and drink. The evening will conclude with a topical Quiz. Look forward to seeing you there.</i>
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