

Service times & Mass Intentions

SUNDAY 8th September
23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time
11.00am Mass: People of the Parish

MONDAY 9th September Feria
9.30am Mass: Joan Lynch RIP

WEDNESDAY 11th September
9.30am Mass: Ellen Williamson RIP

FRIDAY 13th September
St. John Chrysostom
9.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9.30am Service of Word & Holy Communion

SUNDAY 15th September
24th Sunday of Ordinary Time
11.00am Mass: People of the Parish

Fr. John's retirement party **2.00pm – 5.00pm** **September 7th Elim Church**

As we will be serving refreshments during the afternoon of Fr. John's retirement party, for catering purposes it would be helpful if parishioners (and visitors) would indicate if they will be joining us. Please enter names and numbers on the sheets at the back of the church.

Parish Safeguarding Representative is Mrs Caroline Scott, telephone no. 01335 346245 **Diocesan safeguarding Team:** Clare McKenzie 0115 9539850 clare.mckenzie@dioceseofnottingham.uk, Jane Black 0115 9539849 jane.black@dioceseofnottingham.uk and mobile number for the team 07825 648310

This week..

Reader:
Roger Finch

Offertory
Procession:
Liz Molloy & Volunteer

Minister for Holy Communion:
John & Caroline

Coffee Morning
Ann

Flowers for next week:
Mrs Scott

Cleaners
Volunteers

Tellers:
Phil & Ann Platts

Offertory
Envelopes: £ 89.00
Loose: £122.60
Total: £211.60

Thank you very much!

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1st Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18

Psalm: 89:3-6. 12-14. 17

R: O Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to the next.

2nd Reading: Philemon 9-10. 12-17

Gospel Acclamation: (Jn.15:15) Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

Communion Antiphon: Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

Dear friends,

I am not sure how today's gospel fits in with those well-known sayings: "Don't tell God your plans" and "Life is what happens when you have planned something else". As the first reading from the Book of Wisdom says: "It is hard enough for us to work out what is on earth, laborious to know what lies within our reach." Yet in the gospel Jesus insists we should plan for our discipleship with the same good sense as someone building a tower or marching to war. What is then fascinating is what he deems such planning or preparation to be. We are asked to give up all our possessions and strip ourselves of the usual comforts of family support and friendship. To the average listener that sounds the opposite of careful planning! What is Jesus trying to get at? St. Luke's gospel account seems particularly sensitive to matters that get in the way of following Jesus, and for the most part they are our family ties and our possessions. Without them we barely grow or exist, but if we become too dependent on them we don't have the freedom to take those difficult decisions which the gospel teaching may ask of us. In early Christianity that could mean matters of life or death, and the same remains true for Christians elsewhere in the world even today.

Fr John

Fr. Ka Fai and myself discussed the changes in the parish that will happen with my retirement. He is keen that all remains much as it is for the moment as this coming year's arrangements may not be continued. The main areas that will be affected are the weekday services. Fr. Ka Fai intends making Monday his day in the parish, so there will be morning Mass as usual and he will be around during the day. On Wednesday morning there will be a service of word & Holy Communion, and the Friday Mass will disappear. Sunday Mass will keep its present time of 11.00am. I have given Fr. Ka Fai a list of contacts for all of you who are responsible for different areas of parish life (see the rather impressive list on the notice board!), and his intention is to work through you. The phone number for Our Lady of Lourdes parish is 01332 514107 & the email address (there is a secretary who looks after the administration) is ourladyoflourdesrcparish@gmail.com. It looks as though my moving date may be during the schools' half-term holiday in late October, but our separate newsletter will finish at the end of September and any items for inclusion following that need to be forwarded to Our Lady of Lourdes. Thanks to you all very much for the work you do for the parish, much of it unrecognised or unseen apart from by myself!

The Dalean Singers

The award winning male voice choir The Daleian Singers will be hosting a concert at St Oswald's Church on **Saturday 26th October** at 7pm. Admission is £8 to include refreshments. There is a poster at the back of church giving full details. This promises to be a lovely evening. (Shirley 01335 348795)

The Autumn copy of **Just Now**, the diocesan newsletter from the diocesan Justice and Peace Commission, can be downloaded from the diocesan website. I will put occasional relevant extracts in the newsletter.

Leisure Time Travel:

www.lourdes-pilgrim.com
Tel 0151 287 8000/ 07512 856015.

Canonisation of Blessed John Henry Newman 12-15 October. We still have places available with flights from Manchester & Gatwick. We have one of the best hotel locations in Rome, only 4 minutes from the Vatican. We have confirmed tickets for the Mass of Canonisation. Transfer from Rome airport & bed and breakfast included. £650.00PP (twin share).



Our Christian Meditation

sessions continue on **Wednesday September 11th** in the parish community hall at 2pm. Introduction to Christian meditation - an opportunity on **Wednesday's 18th and/ or 25th September** 2-3pm in the hall to learn more about this ancient form of prayer. Meditation also offers many other benefits. For more information ask Mary Tyers or Fr John.

Rosmini Centre

Saturday 14th September, 2-4.30 pm; Rev Deacon Seamus O'Looskan - "God in my life: Invitation, Mission, Gratitude". **Tuesday 17th September**, 7-8.30 pm; Fr. A. Belsito - "The Letter of St. James, on Christian Practical Wisdom".

There will be a retiring collection **next week** for Home Mission Sunday.

"Some parishioners have created a new corner for parents to take their young children if they choose to. Apologies to those who normally sit in that area!"

Ashbourne Community Day

Where: Tissington Trail Tunnel or behind the bicycle shop near by, Mappleton Road, Ashbourne, DE6 1FD **Sunday 22nd September** from 12 noon to 3:00pm. I urge people to bring their own chair along. I also ask that people bring a plate of food along for a shared lunch. The event is free, though a gold coin donation for the music would be greatly appreciated.

Please remember in your prayers the following people who are sick or housebound:

Joe Ashton, Sister Attracta, John Atwood, Philomena Ballardie, Bruno Bradley, Fr. John Cairns, Fr Tony Colebrook, Jane Connell, Sir Colin Corness, Erika Cundy, Fr Hugh Doherty, Fr. Stephan Foster, Janet Hanafin, Jim Hannigan, Monica Hoptruff, Edmund Jarvis, Peter Lynch, Mgr. Jonathan Moore, Chris Neal, Fr. Joseph O'Hanlon, Deirdre O'Ryan, Mgr Joe Phelan, Pat O'Donnell, Fr. Eamonn O'Hara, Irene Sellars, Peter Sharpe, Joan Shaw, Janet Tivernan, Jenny Whitby.

May they be comforted and healed.

We remember in prayer our departed brothers and sisters, especially: Charles French, Edward Walsh, Ronald Eccles and all

whose anniversaries occur about this time.

May the Lord welcome them with gladness.