



The Catholic Parishes of Holy Souls' and St Bernadette's, Scunthorpe

Mass Timetable for week beginning
Seventh Sunday of the Year - 19th February 2023



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Date/Of the Day	Holy Souls	St Bernadette's	St Norbert's	St Thomas'
Saturday, 18th Our Lady	4.30 pm Vigil ♦ Ron & Kathleen Stapleton RIP	10.00 am ♦ Joe Murphy RIP 10.30 am to 11.00 am ♦ Confession 6.00 pm Vigil ♦ Brendan Ladden RIP	-	-
Sunday, 19th February 2023 Seventh Sunday of The Year	9.30 am ♦ People of the Parish 4.30 pm Polish ♦ Polish Priest Intentions	11.00 am ♦ Charlie McGinlay RIP	9.00 am ♦ Kenneth Maw RIP	11.15 am ♦ TBA
Monday, 20th Feria	-	9.30 am CANCELLED	-	-
Tuesday, 21st Feria	9.30 am CANCELLED	8.00 am ♦ Margaret Jackson RIP	-	-
Wednesday, 22nd Ash Wednesday - Day of Fasting and Abstinence	10.00 am ♦ Clarke Family Deceased	6.00 pm ♦ Babs & Joss Collins RIP	10.00 am ♦ Zita Mary Magdalen Prendergast RIP	6.30 pm ♦ TBA
Thursday, 23rd Lenten Feria	9.30 am ♦ Michael Neary RIP	11.00 am Funeral Mass ♦ Gladys Holmes RIP	-	-
Friday, 24th Lenten Feria	-	6.00 pm ♦ Ellen Ward RIP	-	10.00 am ♦ TBA
Saturday, 25th Lenten Feria	4.30 pm Vigil ♦ Welfare of Ann-Marie Hill	10.00 am ♦ June Smith RIP 10.30 am to 11.00 am ♦ Confession 6.00 pm Vigil ♦ Virginia Savage RIP	-	-
Sunday, 26th February 2023 First Sunday of Lent	9.30 am ♦ Sylvia Lockington RIP 4.30 pm Polish ♦ Polish Priest Intentions	11.00 am ♦ Claire Smith Intentions	9.00 am ♦ Patrick (Pat) Sarsfield RIP	11.15 am ♦ TBA

For Polish Mass Times at Holy Souls Church, please see the Polish bulletin at the back of Holy Souls Church, the notice on the window as you enter from the car park at Holy Souls Church, or visit www.facebook.com/parafia.polska.scun.link.grim

The Pope's Prayer Intention for February 2023



For parishes
We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

Pope Francis - Tweet of the Week

'God loves us first, freely, taking the first step towards us without us deserving it; and so we cannot celebrate his love without in our turn taking the first step towards reconciliation with those who have hurt us.'

Contact Priest Details - St Bernadette's Presbytery 01724 844895.

Canon Matthew's Catechism: Lent

On Wednesday Lent begins with the Mass of the distribution of ashes. In this solemn Mass we are given ashes with the words "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return." Alternatively, the ashes could be imposed on us with the words "Repent and believe in the Gospel." Both of these phrases remind us that we are God's mortal creatures. We need to be aware of our duties towards him and therefore to repent of our sins. This is an ongoing process. Lent helps us in this turning back to God, and the things of God, with its three major themes of prayer, fasting and alms giving. These soften our hearts and open us to God our creator.

During this season of Lent, let us reflect on what good things we should renounce (fasting); how we can make more time for the things of God (prayer), and what positive acts of charity we could perform (alms giving). I wish you all a holy and prayerful Lent.

In your charity please pray for

Gladys Holmes, Vivienne McDermott, Martin Clarke and all who have died recently, may they rest in peace. *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

Please pray for their families at this difficult time; for those whose anniversaries occur at this time; for all who are sick and housebound and those who have no family to support them. We remember all those who are in hospital or are having treatment, those whose treatment has been cancelled or postponed and those who are in nursing homes or being cared for.

Statement on Marriage

By order of the Bishop, the following statement is to be published on the weekends in February and October each year

Marriage is a lifelong vocation of a man and a woman to a community of life and love open to children, and, between the baptized, it is a Sacrament. Aware of the many pressures today which can endanger family life, the Church is constantly concerned to make sure that those of you planning to marry are prepared as well as possible. We would like to remind those who wish to marry of the following:

- 1) It is important that a couple go to see their priest in good time before their wedding. Normally at least six months' notice should be given.
- 2) Marriage preparation is carried out by the priest, often assisted by a group from the parish. Courses arranged on a Deanery basis are recommended.
- 3) Catholics are reminded of their obligation to preserve their faith and to do all they can within the unity of their partnership to have all their children baptized and brought up in the faith and practice of the Catholic Church.
- 4) Non-Catholic partners will be informed of this promise, but they are not asked to make this or any similar promise.
- 5) Dispensation for a marriage between a Catholic and a non-Catholic to take place in a non-Catholic church can be granted only for a serious reason. Couples who wish to marry in a non-Catholic church should discuss the matter with their priest in good time before their wedding day to see whether a dispensation could be granted.

All couples marrying these days need the support of the local Church. In this way they will be strengthened in their preparation for marriage, in celebrating their marriage and in living out their covenant with one another.

We wish to thank all those married people who show such constancy and fidelity to their vocation of marriage. May their example inspire those planning to marry in the Church.

Right Reverend Patrick McKinney
Bishop of Nottingham

CAFOD Syria-Turkey Earthquake Appeal

CAFOD is responding with support of provision of food, water, shelter, medical assistance and winter kits for survivors. Your donations in recent months have made that quick

response possible. Let us join CAFOD in praying for our sisters and brothers affected by the earthquakes and the winter weather. Your support for CAFOD throughout the year allows our Catholic agency to act quickly when disasters strike.

For more details visit CAFOD's Syria Turkey Emergency Appeal online at <https://cafod.org.uk/give>.

Diary Dates

- ⇒ **Tuesday, 21st February** - SVP lunch in St Bernadette's Parish Centre, preceded by a Eucharistic Service in Church at 12 noon. Pie and peas will be served followed by fruit and ice cream. There will be bingo, raffle and a quiz. Please contact Sue or Lee - if you have not already done so at the last lunch - if you would like to attend.
- ⇒ **Monday, 27th February 2023** - St Bernadette's Finance Committee Meeting at 7.00 pm in the Parish Centre.
- ⇒ **Sunday, 19th March 2023** - there will be **no** refreshments served in St Bernadette's Parish Centre on this date.
- ⇒ **Thursday, 23rd March** - St Bernadette's PPC Meeting at 7.00 pm in St Bernadette's Parish Centre.

Vocations Weekend

The Sacred Heart Fathers and Brothers (Betharram) invite you to a 'Come and See Weekend' to explore the Gift of Vocation to the Religious Life and Priesthood. The weekend will take place from Friday evening, 24th February, to after lunch on Sunday 26th February at Shallowford House Retreat Centre, Staffordshire, ST15 0NZ.

For more information please contact Bro Andrew Ferris SCJ (br.andrewscj@holynames.org.uk) or Fr Wilfred Joseph SCJ (wilfred15@hotmail.com)

Second Collections

- ⇒ 5th March 2023 - CAFOD Family Fast Day
- ⇒ 7th April 2023 - Good Friday Holy Places of Palestine.

Joel's Bar 2023

an Easter retreat for 16-28 year olds will be held between Sunday 9th and Friday 14th April at Worth Abbey. Tickets are now on sale with bursary tickets available to those in financial difficulty. Visit @joelsbar on social media or joelsbar.co.uk for more information.

Calling Catholic Teachers working outside

Catholic Education

Wednesday 29th March, 7.00 to 8.30 pm on Microsoft Teams. Please see poster on the Church noticeboards or email julie.sweeney@nottingham-des.org.uk if you would like more information or to book onto the event.

Help Shape our Catholic schools,

apply to be a Foundation Governor

We are seeking to recruit Foundation Governors for our local Catholic primary and secondary academies which are part of the Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Multi Academy Trust. Being a Foundation Governor is immensely rewarding. It is a joy and a gift to contribute to the ministry of the Church by making our schools successful and ensuring that children are provided with a supportive environment within which they can learn and grow in their relationship with Jesus. If you are a practising Catholic and would like to know more please see the information leaflet in the Church porch or visit bit.ly/nottmfg

Retiring Collection - Holy Souls Church

This weekend there will be a retiring collection for Canon Matthew in recognition of his recent installation as Chapter Canon.

Men's & Women's Retreat

For all men aged 18+ with Fr Julian Green on Saturday 18th March and for all women aged 18+ with Sr Ann Swales on Saturday 25th March, both at the Rosmini Centre. For more details please visit: www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events

St Bernadette's First Holy Communion

Programme details will be emailed to parents within the next two weeks.