



**The Catholic Parishes of Holy Souls' and
St Bernadette's, Scunthorpe and St Norbert's, Crowle
Mass Timetable for week beginning
Seventeenth Sunday of the Year - 30th July 2023**

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Date/Of the Day	Holy Souls	St Bernadette's	St Norbert's
Saturday, 29th <i>Sts Martha, Mary & Lazarus</i>	-	5.15 to 5.45 pm Exposition and Confessions 6.00 pm (Vigil) Norah Robson RIP	-
Sunday, 30th July 2023 <i>Seventeenth Sunday of the Year</i>	10.00 am Joe, Lena & Nora Conroy RIP 4.30 pm Polish Polish Priest Intentions	11.15 am Meriel Davis RIP	8.30 am McHale Brothers RIP
Monday, 31st <i>St Ignatius Loyola</i>	-	=	-
Tuesday, 1st August <i>St Alphonsus Ligouri</i>	9.30 am Michael Hynes RIP	-	-
Wednesday, 2nd <i>Feria</i>	-	-	10.30 am David Lyons RIP
Thursday, 3rd <i>Feria</i>	-	11.30 Funeral Mass Francis Harrison RIP	-
First Friday, 4th <i>St John Vianney</i>	9.30 am Mass followed by Confession and Exposition until 10.30 am Mary & Bernard Dooley RIP	6.00 pm Margaret Jackson RIP	-
Saturday, 5th <i>Feria</i>	-	5.15 to 5.45 pm Exposition and Confessions 6.00 pm (Vigil) Mollie Ryan RIP	-
Sunday, 6th August 2023 <i>The Transfiguration of The Lord</i>	10.00 am Betty Ault RIP 4.30 pm Polish Polish Priest Intentions	11.15 am Alan Leigh RIP 3.00 pm Syro-malabar Mass	8.30 am David Lyons RIP

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

Pope Francis - Tweet of the Week

'Old age is the season to be reconciled, a time to look tenderly at the light that has shone despite the shadows, confident in the hope that the good wheat sown by God will prevail over the weeds with which the devil has sought to plague our hearts.'

The Pope's Prayer Intention for August 2023

For World Youth Day.
We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

Safeguarding Representatives

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Canon Matthew's Catechism

Can we know of God's existence from human reason?

The vast majority of human beings in all times and all places have regarded it as self-evident that there is a God, or even gods, behind everything in our world that we can see. It is only really in the modern age that atheism and agnosticism has taken hold. It is almost certain that Jesus Christ, in his human life, never met an atheist. Furthermore, children generally have no difficulty in believing in God or the truths of faith. It is just that belief in the unseen God presents various challenges for us, which some people recoil from. As Pope Pius XII once said "People in such matters easily persuade themselves that what they would not like to be true is false or at least doubtful." (Encyclical Humani Generis). Two main ways in which we can know from reason that God exists are the argument from causation and the argument from design.

The argument from causation runs like this. Everything in the Universe has a cause and nothing is a sufficient explanation of its own existence and thus whatever we chose as our subject, whether it be the planets, the stars, the animals, plants or human beings, must be caused by something else. Everything must be traced back, in a chain of causation, to something which is sufficient to be a cause of everything that exists, a First Cause, and that First Cause of all that exists we call God.

The second argument, the argument from design notes that everywhere we look in the Universe there is order and not chaos. It is a fact that the Universe is perfectly engineered for the emergence of life. Even atheist scientists like Richard Dawkins have to admit that it is a billion to one chance that such a well-designed Universe for the evolution of life could have come about by chance. That order does not explain itself any more than a well-designed garden explains itself. That order and design implies intentionality and a designer, just as a beautiful garden must have been planned by an intelligent gardener who knows what he is about. The designer behind the well-ordered Universe we live in we call God.

In your charity please pray for

Francis Harrison 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.

Mandatory Second Collections

17th September 2023 Evangelii Gaudium Sunday
 8th October 2023 CAFOD Harvest Fast Day
 22nd October 2023 Mission World Mission Sunday

World Youth Day (WYD)

takes place in Lisbon from Tuesday, 1st, until Sunday 6th, August, and for the first time in many years a group of Young Adults from the Diocese of Nottingham will attend WYD, accompanied by Bishop Patrick, Fathers Neil, Liam and Limnyuy.

WYD is a gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope; a pilgrimage, a celebration of youth, and a powerful expression of the universal Church. Follow this historical journey of our young diocesan pilgrims by visiting www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/news/wyd which features links to live streams, reflections, schedules and more.

"Accepting the Gift"

Archbishop Kevin McDonald will lead a pilgrimage to Walsingham on **Saturday 5th August** under the theme *Accepting the Gift* in reparation and prayer for the sanctity of life. Pickup points will be in Arnold and Nottingham; more information from www.prolifepilgrimage.org

Fountains Abbey Mass/Ripon Visit

Monday 21st August 2023. The coach will depart St Bernadette's Church at 8.45 am. Mass is at 12:00 noon followed by time for a picnic; food and drinks are available to purchase on site if you wish. If anyone requires assistance to get to the Abbey there is a transfer coach available which needs to be pre-booked with Sue. Departure for Ripon is 2.30 pm where there are cafes, restaurants, shops and a wonderful Cathedral to view. Coach tickets are £15 per person and can be booked by contacting Sue Blackburn on 07745 499850.

Holy Souls - Presbytery Garden

We are grateful to those who have helped out in the past to look after and tidy the garden. However, over the next few

weeks we are hoping to undertake some necessary remedial work on the trees and garden.

Once these have been carried out, we will again be looking for volunteers to help maintain the garden on a rota basis, perhaps an hour or so each week.

The more people who can help the better and the less onerous it should be. Please give this some consideration and in due course we will put a "sign up" sheet at the back of Church. Thank you.

Bishop Patrick

We rejoice with Bishop Patrick as he celebrates his sapphire (45th) anniversary of priestly ordination this weekend (Saturday); please keep him in your prayers especially as he journeys to Lisbon for World Youth Day.

Prayer for Vocations

God Our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom, as Priests, Deacons, and as Religious men and women.

Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call. May we continue to support and encourage vocations in our families and in our Parish Community.

We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God forever and ever.

Amen.

Mary Immaculate: Pray for us.
 St Hugh of Lincoln: Pray for us.
 All the Saints of our Diocese: Pray for us.

Our local Catholic Schools

Primary:

- St Augustine Webster Catholic Voluntary Academy, Baildon Road, Scunthorpe, DN15 8BU. 01724 843722
- St Bernadette's Catholic Primary Voluntary Academy, Anne's Crescent, Scunthorpe, DN16 2LW. 01724 842382
- St Norbert's Catholic Primary Voluntary Academy, Fieldside, Crowle, Scunthorpe, DN17 4HL. 01724 710249

Secondary:

- St Bede's Catholic Voluntary Academy, Collum Avenue, Scunthorpe, DN16 2TF. 01724 245151