



The Catholic Parishes of Holy Souls' and St Bernadette's, Scunthorpe and St Norbert's, Crowle
Mass Timetable for week beginning
Second Sunday of Advent - 10th December 2023

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Date/Of the Day	Holy Souls	St Bernadette's	St Norbert's
Saturday, 9th <i>Advent Feria</i>	-	5.15 to 5.45 pm Exposition and Confessions 6.00 pm (Vigil) John & Sadie Calpin RIP	-
Sunday, 10th December <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>	10.00 am Charles Nwokolo & Family In Thanksgiving	9.30 am Polish Polish Priest Intentions 11.30 am (Note: new time) Julia & James Neary RIP	8.30 am Anne Platts RIP
Monday, 11th <i>Advent Feria</i>	-	9.30 am Richard Newman Intentions 12.00 noon Funeral Mass Donna Marie Farrell RIP	-
Tuesday, 12th <i>Advent Feria</i>	9.30 am Phero Nguyen Ngoc Hoi RIP 11.00 am Mass at St Augustine Webster School - all welcome	-	-
Wednesday, 13th <i>Advent Feria</i>	-	-	9.30 am Note Earlier Time this week only TBA
Thursday, 14th <i>St Lucy</i>	-	-	-
Friday, 15th <i>St John of The Cross</i>	9.30 am Mass followed by Exposition and Confession until 10.30 am Michael Murphy RIP	7.00 pm Confirmation Mass	-
Saturday, 16th <i>Advent Feria</i>	-	3.45 to 4.15 pm Exposition and Confessions 4.30 pm (Vigil) Helen & Harry Robertson RIP	-
Sunday, 17th December <i>Third Sunday of Advent</i> <i>Gaudete Sunday</i>	10.00 am People of the Parish	9.30 am Polish Polish Priest Intentions 11.30 am Teresa Kelly RIP 3.00 pm Syro-Malabar Mass	8.30 am TBA

For Polish Mass Times at Holy Souls Church, please see the Polish bulletin at the back of Holy Souls Church, or visit www.facebook.com/parafia.polska.scun.link.grim

Pope Francis - Thought of the Week

'God chose poverty when He took on our human condition. We too are called to return to what is essential in our lives, to discard all that is superfluous and can become an obstacle on the path to holiness.'

The Pope's Prayer Intention for December 2023

For persons with disabilities

We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programmes which value their active participation."

Safeguarding Representatives

St Bernadette's: Janice Moran/Barbara Faulds 07513 725545
Holy Souls': -
Diocesan Safeguarding Coordinator:
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A reflection from Pope Francis for the Year of Prayer

To God who blesses, we too respond by blessing - God has taught us how to bless and we must bless - through the prayer of praise, of adoration, of thanksgiving. The Catechism writes: "The prayer of blessing is our response to God's gifts: because God blesses, the human heart can in return bless the One who is the source of every blessing" (n. 2626).

The Diocese is producing a monthly podcast for the Year of Prayer called **Encounter Prayer**. Each month a different type of prayer will be showcased; this first episode is given by Bishop Patrick who introduces the Year of Prayer, his hopes for it, and shares insights from his own prayer life.

The Podcasts can be found on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, Google Podcasts, Amazon Music and Audible by searching Diocese of Nottingham; they are also on the Diocesan website: www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer.

In your charity please pray for

Donna Marie Farrell 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.

Sunday Mass Car Parking - St Bernadette's Church

Can drivers please be mindful when parking their cars to avoid double parking and blocking access to the car park and Church. In the event of an emergency the fire brigade and ambulance service will need to be able to get on site quickly. Drivers are also politely asked not to park in front of the 'keep clear' notice near the Church. Thank you

Christmas Mass Times

You may, by now, have noticed that Christmas Day is on a Monday. Therefore Sunday and this, the greatest celebration of the year, follow each other. All the Sunday Mass times will be as usual on 24th December, but the Masses will be simple said Masses without music as on a weekday and without a homily. This will enable us to fulfil our Sunday obligation and hopefully allow time for everything else which is going on at this time of year (as well as conserve my voice for all the Christmas Eve and Day Masses!)

The Christmas Day Mass times are as follows:

Christmas Eve	4.30 pm	Holy Souls
	6.00 pm	St Bernadette's
	11.30 pm	St Bernadette's
Christmas Day	8.00 am	St Bernadette's
	9.30 am	St Norbert's
	11.00 am	Holy Souls

St Bernadette's Parish Centre Events

- **Refreshments and chat** - every week after the 11.30 am Sunday Mass.
- **Bible Study Group** - every Monday from 7.30 to 9.00 pm. Please bring your own bible.

Scunthorpe Festival of Trees

8th-10th December. Over fifty Christmas trees are on display at Old Brumby United Church

Liturgy of Reconciliation

At Corpus Christi Church, Cleethorpes, next Monday 11th December at 7.00 pm. Individual confession will be available and seasonal refreshments will be served afterwards.

Parish Mass at St Bede's - Friday 15th December

at 1.30 pm in the School Chapel. All parishioners are invited to celebrate with the School and share in the work that they do as a community. Refreshments and a slice of cake will be served afterwards. If you would like to attend please call the school reception on 01724 245151 to reserve a seat.

Carols by Candlelight - St Bede's Academy

Wednesday 20th December at 6.00 pm. St Bede's Academy warmly invites parishioners to join them at this Carol Service. **PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF VENUE.**

St Mary's Brigg - Advent Talks

in the Church Hall - why we refer to Jesus as the Son of David and why David is important to the Christmas Story. Talks will be preceded by a 6.15 pm Mass and will include refreshments. Bring a friend!

Talk 1 Tuesday, 12th December at 7.00 pm.
 Talk 2 Tuesday, 19th December at 7.00 pm.

Advent Talks

Canon Matthew's second talk on Thursday 14th December from 7.00 to 8.30 pm in St Bernadette's Parish Centre. "An Introduction to Catholic Eschatology Part Two: The Resurrection, the Second Coming and the End of Time." **Please remember to bring a Bible.**

Confirmation Mass

Friday, 15th December, St Bernadette's Church at 7.00 pm. Please keep our candidates and their families in your prayers at this time.

Community Carol Singing

Saturday, 16th December from 11.00 am to 12.00 noon, next to the pelican crossing on Ashby Broadway. All welcome to come along and join in.

Volunteer Registration Form

We are very grateful to our team of volunteers who give their time in many roles within our Church communities. We are compiling a register of volunteers and kindly ask that you complete a 'Volunteer Registration' form which is available at the back of our Churches. Please place it in an envelope marked 'For the attention of the Parish Safeguarding Representative' and hand it into the Sacristy or Canon Matthew by 7th January 2024. Thank you.'

Parish Census

If you haven't already done so, please remember to complete and return your census form as soon as possible. Thank you.

Upcoming Second Collections

Sunday, 10th December Poor and Needy Parishes
 Sunday, 14th January 2024 Sick and Retired Priests

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