



The Parish of The Lincolnshire Martyrs
 Holy Souls' and St Bernadette's, Scunthorpe
 and St Norbert's, Crowle
Mass Timetable for week beginning
Third Sunday of the Year - 26th January 2025

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| Date/Of the Day | Holy Souls | St Bernadette's | St Norbert's |
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| Saturday, 25th The Conversion of St Paul | - | 5.15 pm to 5.45 pm Exposition and Confession 6.00 pm Vigil Mass John & Joan McCaffrey RIP | - |
| Sunday, 26th 2025 Third Sunday of the Year | 10.00 am Mass Lucida Dinis Da Costa | 9.30 am Polish Mass Polish Priest Intentions 11.30 am Mass Derek Haith RIP | 8.30 am Mass Margaret Barton RIP |
| Monday, 27th Feria | - | 9.30 am Mass Don Whyatt RIP | - |
| Tuesday, 28th St Thomas Aquinas | 9.30 am Mass Faustino Soares | - | - |
| Wednesday, 29th Feria | 9.00 am to 1.00 pm The Church is open for prayer | - | 10.30 am Mass Joan & Dan O'Connell RIP |
| Thursday, 30th Feria | - | - | - |
| Friday, 31st St John Bosco | - | 11.30 am Funeral Mass George Connelly RIP 6.00 pm Mass Wilf Baker RIP | - |
| Saturday, 1st February 2025 Our Lady | - | 5.15 pm to 5.45 pm Exposition and Confession 6.00 pm Vigil Mass David Armour RIP | - |
| Sunday, 2nd February 2025 The Presentation of The Lord | 10.00 am Mass Deacon Bernard & Maureen Croft RIP | 9.30 am Polish Mass Polish Priest Intentions 11.30 am Mass Fr Jimmy Shiel RIP 3.00 pm Mass Syro-Malabar Mass | 8.30 am Mass Private Intention 4.00 pm Reception Paula Watson RIP (Funeral Mass 10.00 am Monday, 3rd February) |

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

Canon Matthew's Catechism:
Prayer is God's Gift to us

I have decided this year for us to look as part of our commemoration of the Jubilee Year, at the role of prayer in the Christian life. We will explore the Catechism of the Catholic Church and what it says about prayer. Because of our faith in the one true God of Israel, we are called into a relationship with him, "a vital and personal relationship with the living and true God." (CCC 2558). That relationship we call prayer. The Catechism begins its explanation of prayer by quoting St Therese of Lisieux: "For me, prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward heaven. It is a cry of recognition and love, embracing both trial and joy." St John Damascene provides us with an alternative definition of what prayer is "Prayer is the raising of one's mind and heart to God or the requesting of good things from God." We must also remember that the foundation of all prayer is humility. We cannot pray if we are full of pride. We must pray "Out of the depths of a humble and contrite heart." (Psalm 130.1). Only when we humbly acknowledge that we are unable to pray as we ought are we able to accept the gift of prayer and begin praying properly, because prayer is God's gift to us. We begin to pray when we acknowledge that "Man is a beggar before God." (St Augustine Sermon 56).

In your charity please pray for

George Connelly, Paula Watson, Eithne Carton, Italo Greco 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 house-bound and those who have no family to support them.

A Warm Welcome

to Gwilym Williams, who has joined the parish team as Caretaker for St Bernadette's Parish Centre and Holy Souls' Church Hall. We wish him all the best in his new role.

St Bernadette's Church/Parish Centre

- * The Children's Liturgy Group - Sunday Mass.
- * Bible Study - Mondays at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre.

Holy Souls' Church

Wednesdays 9.00 am to 1.00 pm

From 29th January 2025, Holy Souls' Church is offering the opportunity for you to visit the Church for individual prayer and reflection. The Church will be open every Wednesday morning. All welcome.

Assisted Suicide Legislation – what happens next?

Bishop John Sherrington writes regarding an update on the assisted suicide legislation, known as the *Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill*, that the next stage is evidence-gathering by the committee examining the Bill, and Bishop John will submit written evidence to that. This committee will examine the Bill in detail, after which it will then return to the floor of the House of Commons for a further substantive vote. This vote will probably take place in late April or early May. The Bill could be defeated in that important division. Individuals and interested organisations can submit written evidence to the committee, and further details can be found at

www.parliament.uk/business/news/2025/january/terminally-ill-adults-end-of-life-bill-call-for-evidence/

**St Bernadette's Parish Centre
 Hall and Rooms now available to hire**

We are pleased to announce that we are now taking bookings from 1st February 2025. Our rooms are available for: private functions, special events and celebrations, children's birthday parties, regular group meetings, community and charity events. To hire a room please contact the Parish Centre Office for a booking form and terms and conditions agreement. **The dedicated telephone and email address for booking enquiries are:**

Email: sbparishcentre@dioceseofnottingham.uk or
Telephone: 01724 862804

Please leave a message on the answerphone if no one is available to take your call at that time. The Parish Centre Office is open 9.00 am to 1.00 pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday (except for Bank Holidays).

Jubilee of Marriages

Bishop Patrick warmly invites all married couples to St Barnabas Cathedral (NG1 5AE) on **Sunday 16th February** when we will celebrate Mass at 3.00 pm to mark the **Jubilee of Marriages**. The Bishop will lead a Renewal of Vows during the Mass, impart a special Jubilee Blessing and afterwards host a Reception in Cathedral Hall. All married couples (and their families) are very welcome to attend, especially those recently married, and those celebrating significant anniversaries this Jubilee year.

**100 Club Annual Subscription
 due by 16th February**

Thank you to everyone who has taken part in the 2024/2025 100 Club. The annual subscription for 2025/2026 of £60 is due in February for parishioners who paid their subscription by cheque or in cash last year. Parishioners who pay by monthly standing order through their bank do not need to take any further action unless they wish to cancel their subscription for 2025/2026.

If you would like to join the 100 Club, application forms are available at the back of each Church. Cheques should be made payable to "St Bernadette Scunthorpe RCP".

Flame Catholic Youth Event 2025

Saturday 25th March at Ovo Arena Wembley

The event is aimed at those in school year 9 and above, through to young adults. We hope to run a coach from Northern Lincolnshire to the event. This will be a full day trip, leaving early in the morning and returning late at night. This year the line-up includes Bear Grylls, Bryan Enrique (Hallow), Guvna B, World and Youth Dance Crew. To book a coach we need an idea of potential numbers. For more information please pick up a leaflet at the back of each church and email ellie.clark6@hotmail.co.uk by **31st January 2025**.

**Summer Teaching Internship
 9th June - 27th June 2025**

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Multi-Academy Trust is running this programme which is open to undergraduates and masters students on a Foreign Languages or STEM related degree and who are interested in teaching. Places are available at St Bede's Academy, Scunthorpe. Leaflets are available at the back of church or contact Vanessa Scott at: v.scott@becketonline.co.uk

New People's Missals

If you would like to order the new Sunday Missal with the new translation of the readings, please email the parish office. The cost is £19.95 for the standard edition and £29.95 for the presentation edition. We will provide details of the Weekday Missal as and when they become available later this year.

**The Pope's Prayer Intention
 February 2025**

For vocations to priestly and religious life,
 Let us pray that the ecclesial community may welcome the desires and doubts of young people who feel called to serve Christ's mission in priestly and religious life.

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