**Our Lady of Good Counsel – booking for Mass:**

To book a place at mass go to [www.massbooking.uk](http://www.massbooking.uk) and register on this website. Alternatively, book your place by calling **01773 770495** Monday to Friday between **12 noon - 3pm**. Weekday Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday’s and Friday’s at 9.30am. There is no need to make an online or phone booking for these Masses.

**First Holy Communion:**

The next session for children preparing for their First Holy Communion should have been taking place this Sunday (1st November) but Year 4 at The Priory have had an outbreak of Coivid-19 and have had to self isolate. For that reason we have decided to postpone this week’s preparation class. The children are still on target for coming in groups of three with their families to receive their First Holy Communion during the weekend Masses in January 2021. Please keep them in your prayers.

**Together we are Caritas:**

Building social action in the diocese of Nottingham – Saturday 7th November by zoom (with a telephone option). Nottingham Diocese is joining Caritas, the worldwide ministry of charity. Soon, our parish will be part of the biggest humanitarian organisation on the planet and you are invited to be part of it. Join Bishop Patrick, Caritas Social Action Network, the diocesan Justice and Peace commission and Catholics from all round the diocese. In two 90 minute online sessions at 11am and 1.30pm, we will take practical steps, in parishes and chaplaincies across the diocese to bring the Gospel to life, locally and globally. For details and booking please visit:

dioceseofnottingham.uk/faithintoaction or call 07470 907656 for further information.

**Volunteers required – Diocesan Archives:**

The Diocesan Archive team are looking to recruit some volunteers. Based in the centre of Nottingham, the archives contain a wealth of material covering the history of the Catholic Church in the East Midlands. If you have IT skills and have an interest in history, consider volunteering with general office duties including labeling, filing, and cataloguing documents. Please contact Joanna Matthews: Joanna.matthews@dioceseofnottingham.uk

**The Year of the Word *‘The God who speaks’*:**

The Catholic Church is celebrating the importance of the scriptures in this special year dedicated to The Word of God. Have a look at the scripture reading chosen by Mr Quenby from SJH in the church porch this week. Do you have a favourite scripture reading? Let us know and we can put it in our special ‘Year of the Word’ frame; let’s see if we can get a different ‘favourite’ each week!

**Job Vacancy:**

The Directors of St Thomas Aquinas CMAT are seeking to appoint a new Head teacher at Holy Cross Catholic VA, Leicester (Salary scale L15-21). For an application pack please call the Trust’s HR department on 0116 298 8164 or email pcooper@aquinas-cmat.org Closing date Monday 23rd November. To arrange a school visit please contact Elizabeth Routledge (school office) on 0116 283 3135 or email eroutledge@holy-cross.leicester.sch.uk

**For those who have died:**

We pray for Graham George Wilcoxson whose funeral will take place at Amber Valley Crematorium on 2nd November at 1pm. We also remember Ann Thomas who died recently. Please keep their families in your prayers.

**Quiet prayer before the Blessed Sacrament:**

Every Monday morning for two hours (9.30 - 11.30am) the church will be open for exposition of The Blessed Sacrament. Call in for a quiet time of reflection and prayer.

**Covid-19 guidelines for churches:**

We have been reminded that ventilation in church is a priority to prevent Covid-19 spreading. That means we must keep the doors of the church open during mass. We have been told that the heating in church **cannot** be on during mass but we will put it on for a couple of hours before mass begins to warm up the church.

**A gentle reminder:** Please be aware that people like to spend some time in church for quiet prayer before mass begins. It is very important that people are welcomed as they come into church, we naturally like to greet each other, but let’s try to be sensitive to those already in church who are looking for a time of prayer and reflection before mass.

**November – a month to remember:**

Traditionally, November is the time to remember those of our families and friends who have died. November Dead List envelopes are available in the foyer of church. We ask you to take an envelope home, make a list of the names you would like us to pray for and place the list in the envelope and return it to church. These envelopes will be placed in a specially made pouch and placed on the altar throughout November. **There will be 9 masses celebrated during the month for all the names included in the envelopes.** No need to put a donation in the envelope, this is a time to remember and celebrate the lives of those we love and those that have been a part of our lives.

**Mass intentions:**

Fr Paul is celebrating a private Mass on Tuesday’s and Thursday’s each week. The intentions for these private masses will be in the newsletter. If you request a Mass intention, we will assume you are happy for Fr Paul to celebrate it at either a public or private Mass unless you tell us otherwise. Thanks.

**Parish Census forms:**

Thank you to those who have already returned the Parish Census. Please be assured that we will keep the information on the forms secure, following the data protection guidelines from the diocese. If you, or someone you know, has not received the letter and census form and would like one, please let the parish office know.

**Christmas Raffle:**

Probably not a good idea to have our usual Christmas Raffle this year with Covid-19, all those booklets and counterfoils! However it’s always been a good fundraiser for the parish in the past and essential for the on-going costs of the church. This year we are going to try ‘Lucky Christmas Numbers’ – pick your favourite numbers and leave your name and contact details and you could win a prize! (Donations of prizes gratefully received as always)

£2 a go, £5 for three squares! Coming soon to the foyer!

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**SCHOOLS:**

The Priory CVA Raglan Street Eastwood NG16 3GT. Telephone: 01773 713731 Head teacher: Mr Anthony Harrison.

St John Houghton CVA: Abbot Road Ilkeston DE7 4HX, Telephone: 0115 982 4280. Head teacher: Mr Stephen Brogan.

The Trinity CVA: Beechdale Road, Nottingham NG8 3EZ. Telephone: 0115 929 6251. Head teacher: Mr Matthew Shenton.

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**HOSPITAL PATIENTS:**

If you know of anyone in hospital who would like a visit from the chaplain, please call:

**QMC**: 0115 9249924 (Chaplaincy ext63799)
**The City Hospital:** 0115 9691169 (Chaplaincy ext 56187)

**Fr Slavic: RC Chaplain**

07773 366120

Or have a word with

Fr Paul

**WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY**

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**Mass Times, Services and Intentions**

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| **SATURDAY 31st October** | **5.30pmVigil Mass** | **People of the Parish/November Dead List** |
| **SUNDAY 1st November***All Saints* | **10.15am Mass** | **Walter Gibbs RIP** |
| **MONDAY 2nd November***All Souls* | **No public Mass** | **9.30 - 11.30 Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament** |
| **TUESDAY 3rd November***Feria* | ***(Private Mass)*** | **In Reparation for abortion** |
| **WEDNESDAY 4th November***Saint Charles Borromeo* | **9.30am Mass** | **November Dead List** |
| **THURSDAY 5th November***Feria* | ***(Private Mass)***  | **Leigh Southwood** |
| **FRIDAY 6th November***Feria* |  **9.30am Mass** | **Emma Jacques Intentions** |
|  **SATURDAY 7th November***Feria* | **5.30pmVigil Mass** | **John Doyle RIP** |
| **SUNDAY 8th November***32nd Sunday* | **10.15am Mass** | **People of the Parish** |

**Sacramental Policy**

**Baptisms:**

Please contact the parish office, Fr Paul or Kath Holmes

**Adults wanting to find out more about the Catholic Faith:**

Please contact Fr Paul or Anna Fitzpatrick

**Marriage:**

Couples wishing to marry are required to give at least six months’ notice. See Fr Paul

**Communion to the Sick and Housebound:**

If you know of anyone who is unable to get to Mass and would like Communion at home, please contact one of our Eucharistic Ministers or have a word with Fr Paul

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**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Due to restrictions because of Covid-19, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available by request only at this time.

Please contact the parish office if you would like confession.

**Thought for the week:**

Faith is like WI-FI,

It’s invisible but it has the power to connect you to what you need!

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| **ROTAS** |
| **STEWARDS****5.30pm Mass****10.15am Mass** | 31/10/2001/11/2007/11/2008/11/20 | Gwyn & HazelMichael & LizTracey & RichardDavid & Catherine |
| **MINISTERS****5.30pm Mass****10.15am Mass** | 31/10/2001/11/2007/11/2008/11/20 | TeresaFionaPaulineBarbi |
| **READERS****5.30pm Mass****10.15am Mass** | /31/10/2001/11/2007/11/2008/11/20 | MarilynJoGleniceChris |
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**Thirty First Week of Ordinary Time 31st/1st November 2020**

**Divine Office: Psalter Week 3, Readings: Year A (weekdays Cycle 2)**

**Finance**If you are not already making your contribution to the parish by standing order**,** please consider doing this. Bank details for the parish are in this newsletter
Thank you