**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. Once registered, you will be able to book your place. Alternatively, you can book by calling **01773 770495** Monday to Friday between **12 noon - 3pm**. Pleasebook early to secure your place. **The Bishops conference of England and Wales have continued to suspend the Sunday Obligation for coming to Mass until further notice.** 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, but you will be required to sign in for ‘track and trace’ purposes when you arrive at church.

**Finances:**

It makes a huge difference to parish finances when you open a standing order for church because it guarantees the regular income we need. Please consider going on to standing order. The bank details for the parish Our Lady of Good Counsel bank: Lloyds.

**Account name: OUR LADY OF GC EASTWOOD RCP**

**Account number: 00708648**

**Sortcode: 30-96-18**

**Parish Social Centre:**

The risk assessments have now been completed for the re-opening of the parish Social Centre. All forms have been sent to the office in Nottingham and we are now waiting for the Diocese to confirm that our application passes all the strict guidelines that will make the Social Centre Covid-19 secure and ready to be re-opened. We will keep you posted as to when this permission will be granted.

**First Holy Communion:**

The Catechists who are responsible for the First Holy Communion Preparation Programme (Liz and Michael White), have been in contact with all the parents giving dates for the four sessions the children will need to attend to finish their preparation. It is important that the children complete the course so that they are well prepared and understand then sacredness of receiving Jesus in Holy Communion. Because of the limited number of people allowed for public worship at the moment, the children will come in groups of three with their families and receive Holy Communion during the weekend Masses in January 2021. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers at this final stage of their preparation.

**Second collections:**

The next mandatory second collection advised by the Diocese, will be next weekend (17th/18th October). This collection, as we leave church, will be for World Mission Sunday. The second collection last weekend for Peter’s pence raised: £144.88

**October – Month of the Rosary:**

Catholics across the country are invited to take up their rosaries for a Rosary Whirlwind Mission to pray together for faith, life and peace. There will be nightly online rosary at 8pm from different locations around the UK. If you want to join in, register at: [www.rosaryonthecoast.co.uk](http://www.rosaryonthecoast.co.uk) for this and other events taking place for October devotions.

**CAFOD’s fast day:**

Many of us in the parish remembered CAFOD’s Fast Day last Friday (9th October). It was our way of helping who are people facing the worse of the Coronavirus pandemic. We have all felt the impact of this terrible disease, but if you can, please help the poorest and most vulnerable people in the world survive, re-build and re-heal.

£12 can deliver an emergency food package containing essentials like rice, beans and eggs, to a family in isolation. £17.70 can buy hygiene packs for three vulnerable families containing soap, washing powder and re-usable face masks. We are encouraged to place an offering in a CADFOD envelope from church or donate online at **cafod.org.uk/give** You can also give by texting **CAFOD to 70085 to donate £10.** Thank you for your help and kind generosity.

**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 on the main altar. It’s a lovely opportunity to call in for a quiet time of reflection and prayer. Sheets with special prayers designed to be used before The Blessed Sacrament are available for you to use, but we ask you to take the sheets away with you if you have used them for prayer. Anyone is welcome to call in at any time during the two hours. Please be aware of the restrictions and the need to keep 2 metres apart at all times. Sanitise your hands with the gel provided as you come into church, and put your name and details on the list provided for ‘track and trace’ purposes. Thank you.

**Job Vacancy:**

A Lead Lay Chaplain is required for the St Ralph Sherwin Multi Academy Trust. For more information and how to apply for the vacancy, please go to :

[www.srscmat.co.uk/lead-lay-chaplain-homeworking-or-at-our-trust-cent/](http://www.srscmat.co.uk/lead-lay-chaplain-homeworking-or-at-our-trust-cent/) Closing date for this vacancy is Monday 12th October at 9am.

**Wedding congratulations:**

Our congratulations go to Siobhan Drake and Adam Wilson who were married at Our Lady of Good Counsel church on Thursday 8th October. We wish Siobhan and Adam lots of happiness in their married life together and the assurance of our prayers. Well done both of you!

**Statement on Marriage:**

Every year in February and October, we are required to publish a statement on marriage to the parish, by order of the Bishop. It explains the importance, understanding of, and preparation required for marriage in the Church. This statement, signed by Bishop Patrick, is now on our parish notice board in the porch.

**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. The staff at St John Houghton Catholic Academy have been sharing their favourite scripture passages with the students. Have a look at Mr Brogan’s favourite in the church porch. Do you have a favourite scripture reading? Can you tell us why? 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!

**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**

**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:**

Use your voice for kindness,

Your ears for compassion,

Your hands for charity,

Your mind for truth,

and your heart for love.

**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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| **ROTAS** |
| **STEWARDS****5.30pm Mass****10.15am Mass** | 10/10/2011/10/2017/10/2018/10/20 | Gwyn & HazelDavid & CatherineTracey & RichardKrysia & Fiona |
| **MINISTERS****5.30pm Mass****10.15am Mass** | 10/10/2011/10/2017/10/2018/10/20 | RichardJimmieAnneMichael |
| **READERS****5.30pm Mass****10.15am Mass** | 10/10/2011/10/2017/10/2018/10/20 | NoraJimmieIanFiona |
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**Twenty Eighth Week of Ordinary Time 10th/11th October 2020**

**Divine Office: Psalter Week 4, Readings: Year A (weekdays Cycle 2)**

**Mass Times, Services and Intentions**

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| **SATURDAY 10th October** | **5.30pmVigil Mass** | **Terry Duffin RIP** |
| **SUNDAY 11th October***28th Sunday of the year* | **10.15am Mass** | **People of the Parish** |
| **MONDAY 12th October***Saint Hilda of Whitby* | **No public Mass** | **9.30 - 11.30 Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament** |
| **TUESDAY 13th October***Feria* | **No public Mass** |  |
| **WEDNESDAY 14th October***Saint Callistus* | **9.30am Mass** | **Bridget** |
| **THURSDAY 15th October***Saint Teresa of Jesus* | **No public Mass** |  |
| **FRIDAY 16th October***Feria* |  **9.30am Mass** | **Rose & Frank Flaherty RIP** |
|  **SATURDAY 17th October***Saint Ignatius* | **5.30pmVigil Mass** | **People of the Parish** |
| **SUNDAY 18th October***29th Sunday of the year* | **10.15am Mass** | **John Doyle RIP** |

**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

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