

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for February 2022: For religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

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Lenten Devotionals—Live Lent Gracefully at both Churches During Lent

Lectio Divina on Tuesdays 7.00 pm at CC and on Saturdays at OLSP 10.30 am

Way of the Cross on Saturdays at 5.15 pm at CC and Sunday 8.30 am at OLSP

METANOIA – Reflective Evenings on Wednesdays at 7.30 pm at CC, In the Gospel of Mark, the first words of Jesus are an invitation to metanoia, to repent, to change, to be converted. The series is beautifully filmed on location in the Holy Land, highlighting sacred places such as the Sea of Galilee, the River Jordan, the desert of Temptations, and many of the holy sites in Jerusalem. **Each of the 10 episodes** explores areas of our life where conversion is so often necessary. Metanoia will examine topics such as who is Jesus, what must we do to inherit eternal life, and many other significant matters of faith. With preaching from Fr. Dave as well as personal testimonies from men and women, young and old, religious and lay, their stories will inspire you to seek to encounter Jesus and the new life he is constantly inviting us to. Metanoia is a production of The Ministry of The Wild Goose and 4PM Media in association with Franciscan University of Steubenville and the Franciscan Friars TOR Province of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

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St Elizabeth of the Trinity Secular Carmelites: "With Jesus in the Desert - exploring His temptations and ours."

A day of quiet prayer and reflection in preparation for Lent on Saturday, 26th February 2022 from 10 am to 3.30 pm at St John's Hall, Midland Avenue, Stapleford. Bring a packed lunch; tea & coffee provided. More information from martinhopkinson77@gmail.com !

Men's and Women's Lenten Retreats – The Diocese is organising a retreat for women on Saturday 12th March (at the DoubleTree by Hilton, Nottingham) and a retreat for men on 19th March (at the Briars in Crich). The women's retreat will be led by the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph and will be focused on 'Make the tent you live in larger; lengthen its ropes and strengthen the pegs!' how we live out our faith in all areas of our lives and the people we interact with. The men's retreat will be led by the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal and will take as its theme: 'Friendship with Christ & Friendship in Christ' exploring how we can grow in friendship and fraternity. Please email adult.formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk for more information and to book your place.

CAFOD's new Lent challenge is here! CAFOD are continuing with a walking theme and this year it is **Walk against Hunger**. Challenge yourself to walk 200 km this Lent and help stamp out hunger, one step at a time. You can walk, roll, skip or stroll your way to 200 km. You can boldly go it alone and take it on 5 km a day for 40 days, or you can smash the target all at once as a team. So, this Lent, challenge yourself to conquer 200 km, and help give hunger its marching orders. Sign up at cafod.org.uk

Parish Newsletter
7th Week of Ordinary Time
20th February 2022

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We will hear one of Jesus' most challenging, yet important teachings this Sunday. He said "love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you" - teachings which could completely change the world. Why should we love our enemies? Jesus is telling us, Be like your heavenly Father. Love as He loves. Don't be cynical, believe that no ordinary person could ever love their enemies. There are, in fact, many ordinary people who are able to love their enemies. The main reason is God loved us first. Jesus was sent to show that God is more loving and gracious to those who have gone away from Him, as portrayed in the parables of the Bible, such as the Parable of the Lost Sheep, the Prodigal Son, and the Calling of Mathew, among others. The instinct of retaliation or revenge is always there in us. We hurt back someone who hurts us. But Jesus asks us not to retaliate, but to do good to them instead. It is risky. Despite our differences, Jesus expects us to love everyone. He knows some people may annoy us, and we all may have enemies who wish us harm. But deep inside we all hope for peace, and bitter, angry thoughts and actions destroy that hope. As Christians, we believe that God is able to convert hearts just as he has converted our own. Therefore, if we have faith, we should pray for the conversion of our enemies, and we should contemplate how we should live, since Christ lived this way, as the Father intended us to.

God Bless Fr. Wilfred Pereppadan SCJ



20th February 2022 - 27th February 2022	Holy Mass & Services Intention of Mass	Church	Other Events
Saturday 19th February Feria 7th Sunday of the Year 1 Sam 26:2.7-9.12-13.22-23; 1 Cor 15: 45-49; Lk 6:27-38	5.30 pm Confessions 6.00 pm Mass: Benjamin Osaguona RIP	CC CC	
Sunday 20th February 7th Sunday of the Year 1 Sam 26:2.7-9.12-13.22-23; 1 Cor 15: 45-49; Lk 6:27-38	9.00 am Mass: People of the Parish 10.30 am Mass: June Lynes RIP	OLSP CC	
Monday 21st February Saint Peter Damian, bishop and doctor	9.00 am Mass: Special Intention (SJ)	CC CC	
Tuesday 22nd February Chair of Saint Peter (Feast)	No Mass	CC	
Wednesday 23rd February Saint Polycarp, bishop and martyr (memorial)	9.30 am Adoration 10.00 am Mass: Barbara Hickey (very sick) & Family	OLSP OLSP	Coffee/Tea for the Missions after the Mass
Thursday 24th February Feria	9.00 am Mass: Michael McMillan (RIP) Birthday Memories	CC	7.00 pm RCIA Session at CC
Friday 25th February Feria	9.00 am Mass: Deceased Members of Higgins & McMahon Families	CC	
Saturday 26th February Feria 8th Sunday of the Year Eccl 27:4-7; 1 Cor 15: 54-58; Lk 6:39-45	9.30 am Confessions 10.00 am Mass 5.30 pm Confessions 6.00 pm Mass: Successful Operation & Recovery	OLSP OLSP CC CC	OLSP FHC - 1st Reconciliation after Mass
Sunday 27th February 8th Sunday of the Year Eccl 27:4-7; 1 Cor 15: 54-58; Lk 6:39-45	9.00 am Mass: Silver Wedding Anniversary 10.30 am Mass: June Lynes RIP	OLSP CC	CC 12.30 pm Baptism of Luca Ben de Rubeis- Browne
Response: The Lord is compassion and love.			

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, 2nd March 2022. Masses will be at 9.30 am at Our Lady and St. Patrick's, at 11 am and at 7 pm at Corpus Christi. Ashes will be distributed and the BRW children will join us at 11 am at CC.

DO YOU STILL HAVE LAST YEAR'S PALM AT HOME? This year we would like to prepare our own ash from last year's palms (Please hunt around at home for them and bring them to put it in the basket provided in the narthex. We will burn them at the end of February and use them on Ash Wednesday. Thank you

Joan Quigley RIP: we pray the departed soul of Joan who is a long standing parish-ioner at Corpus Christi who passed away last Thursday. We also pray for the family of Joan, may they find peace and consolation from the Lord.

Welcome to any new Parishioners: Please come and introduce yourself to Fr Wilfred. We would ask you to complete a Parish Census form, available at the back of Corpus Christi and Our Lady & St Patrick's Churches. You are most welcome to join us in our Parish Community.

Following guidance for Churches from the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England & Wales & from the Diocese - if you, or someone in your household, displays symptoms of Covid19, then please do stay at home and do not participate in acts of worship in church. The Sunday obligation continues to be suspended, so if you are unsure about coming along, do not feel under any obligation to do so. Wearing of masks over the mouth and nose and while singing is strongly recommended. We ask you still to sanitise your hands on entry and exit. **Diocesan Synod Event:** Everyone is invited to gather with Bishop Patrick for Evening Prayer on Tuesday, 22nd February 2022 from 7 pm to 8.30 pm in Saint Barnabas Cathedral. Each Dean-ery will say a little about their Synodal Journey so far and the Bishop's Draft Response will be presented. All are very welcome!

A Lifeline for Marriage! Has Covid put you under more stress as a couple? Is your marriage become stressed, unloving, cold? Do you argue more? Do you want to improve your communication? Have you separated, divorced, are you thinking about it? Do you want to try again? The Retrouvaille programme may be just what you need! The next programme commences with a weekend 3rd-6th March 2022 For more information Telephone or text +44 788 729 6983 (Complete confidentiality assured.) Email: retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com Website: www.retrouvaille.org.uk

Shalom World's program, HeartTalk, this Sunday features a TV Interview with Bishop Patrick. The bishop speaks about his early life, his mission, his vision, and the ministries he is involved in through our diocese and the wider Church. The interview can be seen on Sunday 20 th February, 7.30pm on www.shalomworld.org

Following Bishop Patrick's Pastoral Letter this weekend, any further Synodal responses, thoughts or reflections can be sent directly to the Diocesan Co-ordinators: Father David Cain (david.cain@dioceseofnottingham.uk) or Joe Hopkins, Adult Formation Director for Mission (joe.hopkins@dioceseofnottingham.uk)