

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention in September 2021: An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle : We pray that we will all make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

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The 2nd part of the Baptism Course for both Churches will be held on Saturday, 11th September 2021 from 10.45 am until 12.15 pm at Our Lady & St Patrick's Church. If you could not make this course, there will be another one soon.

World Day of Prayer for Migrants and Refugees on the 25th & 26th September.

The theme chosen for this, the 107th year is "Towards an ever wider we," which is a major theme of Pope Francis in both *Fratelli Tutti* and the Declaration on Human Fraternity. Further information will be provided closer to the date.

Advance Notice of Parish Pastoral Council Annual General Meeting: This will take place on Tuesday, 28th September 2021 at 6.00 pm. Venue to be confirmed. Everyone in the Parish is very welcome to attend and take part.

Prayer for those returning to School

'May you feel the excitement of the new academic year and the adventures that lie ahead. May your nerves and worries be erased by the smiling faces and familiar friends. May your ears, eyes, hands and mind be ready to learn. May your heart be ready to show and feel kindness. May you know connection even at a distance. May you know courage even when things are different. May your year hold hope and promise for you and all you love. Amen.'

God who speaks Bible and Catholics Noah and Creation Care: For our September Focus we are taking a closer look at Noah and our creation care responsibilities.

Access via www.godwhospeaks.uk/the-god-who-speaks/focus/noah-and-creation-care/

Season of Creation Study Days hosted by Gidea Park: During the 2021 Season of Creation, from 1 September to the feast of St Francis on 4 October, thousands of Christians on six continents will unite to pray and take action in defence of our common home <https://seasonofcreation.org/> From the parish of Gidea Park have organised two study days – on Saturday 4 September and Saturday 2 October from 11am to 12.30pm BST – to explore the teaching of Pope Francis on 'care for our common home' (*Laudato si'*), and the promotion of global solidarity (*Fratelli Tutti*). These study days, 'The Cry of Creation' and 'The Cry of the Poor' will be given by Fr Ashley Beck, associate professor at St Mary's University, Twickenham. No registration needed. Talks will be available free subsequently on the website www.whatgoodnews.org.

Poor Clare Monastery Brooklynn Rd Bulwell: are Having their FAIR on the 18th September midday to 2.00 pm, fabulous crafts! Christmas gifts! + Food to be had! All are welcome



Parish Newsletter

23rd Week of Ordinary Time

5th September 2021

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

On 8th September we celebrate the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Although this feast day is celebrated in almost all of the Christian World the modern canon of scripture does not record Mary's birth. The earliest known account of Mary's birth is found in the Protoevangelium of James (5:2), an apocryphal text from the late second century, which names her parents as Anne and Joachim. Tradition also places the birthplace of the Virgin Mary at Sepphoris in Israel where a 5th-century basilica was excavated at the site. Some accounts speak of Nazareth and others say it was in a house near the Sheep Gate in Jerusalem. None of this can be asserted with any certainty. The earliest document commemorating this feast comes from a hymn written in the sixth century. The feast may have originated somewhere in Syria or Palestine in the beginning of the sixth century, when after the Council of Ephesus (431), The first liturgical commemoration is connected with the sixth century dedication of the Basilica Sanctae Mariae ubi nata est, now called the Church of St Anne in Jerusalem.

In the case of most saints the Church commemorates their date of death. The two exceptions are John the Baptist and the Virgin Mary whose birth dates are commemorated in the Church's calendar. The reason for this is found in the singular mission each had in salvation history, but traditionally also because these alone were holy in their very birth. Falling just nine months after the feast of the Conception of Mary, this feast acknowledges the preparation by God of his people to receive their Saviour and Lord, putting 'heaven in ordinary' and showing that mortal flesh can be the bearer of Christ to the world.

God Bless ... Fr. Wilfred Pereppadan SCJ

Care of Creation September 1st to October 4th. All are invited to pause and reflect on the gift of creation and how each one of us can take simple steps towards caring for this fragile earth we are called to share. As Mother Teresa once said "if everyone sweeps outside their own door, then the whole street will be clean".

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29th August 2021 - 5th September 2021	Holy Mass & Services Intention of Mass	Church	Other Events
Saturday 4th September Saint Cuthbert, bishop (memorial) 23rd Sunday of the Year Is 35:4-7; Jm 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37	5.30 pm - 5.50 pm Confessions 5.30– Prayer for care of creation 6.00 pm Mass: People of the Parish (Live-streamed)	CC CC	
Sunday 5th September 23rd Sunday of the Year Is 35:4-7; Jm 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37	9.00 am Mass: Michael McMahon RIP 10.30 am Mass: Varghese Antony RIP (One Mass Live-Streamed)	OLSP CC	
Monday 6th September Feria	6.30 pm Adoration 7.00 pm Mass: (Church Open to the Faithful)	CC CC	
Tuesday 7th September Feria	9.00 am Mass: Shaun Wallace	CC	
Wednesday 8th September The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Feast)	9.30 am Prayer for Care of Creation 10.00 am Mass: (Church Open to the Faithful)	OLSP OLSP	
Thursday 9th September Saint Peter Claver, priest (memorial)	9.00 am Mass: (Church Open to the Faithful)	CC	
Friday 10th September Feria	10.30 am Funeral Mass of Anthony Valerio RIP (Church Open to the Faithful)	CC	
Saturday 11th September Feria 24th Sunday of the Year Day of Special Prayer for Education (Education Sunday) Is 50:5-9; Jm 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35	9.30 am Confessions 10.00 am Mass Baptism Course Part 2 10.45 am - 12.15 pm (in the Church) 5.30 pm - 5.50 pm Confessions 5.30 pm Prayer for Creation 6.00 pm Mass: (Live-streamed)	OLSP OLSP CC CC	
Sunday 12th September Day of Special Prayer for Education (Education Sunday) 24th Sunday of the Year Is 50:5-9; Jm 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35	9.00 am Mass: 10.30 am Mass: (One Mass Live-Streamed)	OLSP CC	

Response: My soul, give praise to the Lord.

Please remember in your prayers: Anthony Valerio (Tony) who died on 21st August 2021. His Funeral will be at Corpus Christi Church on Friday, 10th September 2021 at 10.30 am. Please pray for him and his family. May he rest in peace. Amen

CAFOD is responding to significant crises across the world this week. We are working with local Church organisations in Haiti to deliver emergency aid to people affected by the catastrophic earthquake and tropical storm. In the tragic situation in Afghanistan, we are working to ensure the safety of our local partners and their communities. we can all express solidarity with our sisters and brothers affected by these emergencies on the CAFOD website: <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news>.

Holy Communion for the Housebound: As the Covid restrictions about going into private homes ease, it is possible to offer Communion once more to the housebound who ordinarily received it. If you are housebound and feel that you are ready and it is safe for you to receive Communion at home again, please contact the parish office. You may or may not feel the time is right: but, please, BE IN TOUCH IF YOU DO!

During the month of September, we will be acknowledging the Season of Care of Creation and will celebrate **Climate Sunday** on the weekend of 2nd & 3rd October 2021. We will be saying special prayers for the Care of Creation at Our Lady & St Patrick's Church on Wednesday 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th September at 9.30 am and at Corpus Christi Church on Saturday 11th, 18th & 25th September at 5.30 pm.

The Annual SCJ Sponsored Walk for the Missions will take place on Saturday, 25th September 2021 in Solihull. Sponsorship forms are available from Br John at the back of both Churches.

Altar Servers After the lockdown we are starting the Ministry of Junior Altar Servers in both churches. If you would like to join our Team and you have made your communion, please make contact with Fr Wilfred. We will provide training and show you how to assist at the altar. This is a very important ministry in the church.

Talk on Assisted Suicide by Baroness Grey-Thompson on Thursday September 9th: On Thursday September 9th at 7.30pm, Baroness Grey-Thompson will deliver a talk entitled, 'Assisted Dying: A Win for Autonomy or a Loss for Civil Society?' Baroness Grey-Thompson, is a former Paralympian, disability rights campaigner, member of the House of Lords and opponent of legalised physician assisted-suicide who will address the Diocese on this vital moral issue, via Zoom. If you would like to attend this exclusive talk, please visit www.dioceseofnottingham.uk in order to register.

Pope Francis said that "getting the coronavirus vaccine is an act of love" Speaking as the head of the world's 1.2 billion Catholics and joining a campaign to boost confidence in COVID-19 shots. "Thanks to God and to the work of many, we now have vaccines to protect us from COVID-19," "Vaccination is a simple way of promoting the common good and caring for each other, especially the most vulnerable". Francis said in his message.