



The Catholic Community Newsletter of ST MARY'S, GRANTHAM

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| 11 th Week of Ordinary Time | | | Lectionary Year A1: Psalter Week 3 | June |
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| Saturday | 17 th | 6.00pm | Vigil Mass | M.I. Canon Michael Bell Thanksgiving - Audrey Guy |
| Sunday | 18 th | 9.30am | Eleventh Sunday of the Year | M.I. Mrs Joyce Mary Kinder RIP - Jerry Kinder |
| Monday | 19 th | N.P.S. | Church closed. | |
| Tuesday | 20 th | N.P.S. | Church open during the daytime for Private Prayer. | |
| Wednesday | 21 st | 9.30am | Holy Mass Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, religious (memorial) | M.I. Jeff Kirkham RIP- S. Fanshawe |
| Thursday | 22 nd | N.P.S. | Church open during the daytime for Private Prayer. | |
| Friday | 23 rd | N.P.S. | Church open during the daytime for Private Prayer. | |
| | | | Confessions – UP TO 15 minutes <u>before</u> Mass (please arrive early) or by appointment | |
| 12 th Week of Ordinary Time | | | Lectionary Year A1: Psalter Week 4 | June |
| Saturday | 24 th | 6.00pm | Vigil Mass | M.I. Joan Almond RIP – Tim and his Family |
| Sunday | 25 th | 9.30am | Twelfth Sunday of the Year | M.I. Martin O'Brien RIP - Terri Collighan |
| N.P.S. – No Public Services | | | | M.I. – Mass Intention |

Dear Parishioners

The Church teaches that life is to be nurtured from conception to natural death. In England and Wales, **The Day for Life** is celebrated on the third Sunday of June each year, this year being **Sunday 18th June - 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time**. The theme for this year is **Listen to Her** and focuses on post-abortion trauma and the impact of abortion primarily on women, but also men and others. The 2023 Day for Life message is unique in that the bishops have given it over to a Catholic woman who has had an abortion to share her experiences. Often the voices of women who have had an abortion are silent in the Church and in our society. The hope is that this will help break this silence and offer further opportunities for healing and reconciliation. This weekend at all our weekend Masses there will be a mandatory second collection. All monies raised are sent from every parish to the Social Justice Department at CBCEW to help support life projects across the whole spectrum of life. For more information you may like to visit: <http://www.cbcew.org.uk/df123-prayers/>

Fr Jonathan Annual Leave: I shall be away from the parish on annual leave from the afternoon of this Sunday 18th June until Friday 7th July inclusive. During my absence from the parish Monsignor John Hadley has kindly agreed to offer Mass cover at the weekends, and there will be no changes to the normal weekend Mass schedule, Saturday Vigil Mass at 6 pm and Sunday morning Mass at 9.30 am. On weekdays whilst I am away Mgr. Hadley will be celebrating **one Mass only each week**. From Tuesday to Sunday during my absence the church will remain open as normal during the day for private prayer.

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IN AN EMERGENCY, if no answer from the Parish phone number, please ring: Father Stephen Dye OAKHAM (01572 722308).

Mass Times During Fr Jonathan's Absence

Wednesday 21st June - *St Aloysius Gonzaga* – 9.30 am.

Saturday 24th June - 12th Sunday of the Year – Vigil Mass 6 pm

Sunday 25th June – 12th Sunday of the Year - 9.30 am Mass.

Thursday 29th June - *Saints Peter and Paul* – 11 am.

Saturday 1st July - 13th Sunday of the Year – Vigil Mass 6 pm

Sunday 2nd July - 13th Sunday of the Year – 9.30 am.

Wednesday 5th July – *Feria* – 9.30 a.m.

I shall be back to celebrate the Sunday Masses for the weekend of 10th/11th July -14th Sunday of the Year - after which the normal weekday Mass schedule will resume.

My former lay chaplain from the University of Nottingham will be house sitting in the Rectory whilst I am away on my holidays. I am very grateful to him and to both Fr John and Andrew Wakley for their generosity and kindness in offering their practical help and support during my time away. Please be aware though that they all work full time, Andrew within his own business and Fr John as chancellor of the diocese. In the **case of an emergency during my absence please contact Andrew in the first instance** who will put you in touch with a priest. **For all other routine parish enquiries and non-emergencies**, I ask please that you **wait to contact me upon my return to the parish** when I will respond to you as soon as possible upon my return.

First Holy Communion: This weekend we congratulate all the young people from our parish who received Holy Communion for the first time at a special Mass on Saturday morning. It was a very joyful celebration for them and for their friends and families. My sincere thanks to all who have journeyed with them over the past few months, especially our parish catechists. My thanks too to the musicians who came to animate the liturgy, those who arranged the beautiful flowers in church and to all those who assisted me with the liturgy. Please keep our young people in your prayers at this time.

New Boilers for the church and parish halls: I mentioned some months ago that we have been given permission by the diocese to commission and fit new boilers this summer. This is greatly needed as our present heating system has been “limping along” for many years now and our boilers are past repair. The cost of replacing our boilers is a major expense for our parish, and I am very grateful for the generosity of those parishioners who have contributed to the Boiler Fund and for two very significant bequests received, your generosity means that these much-needed works can now go ahead this summer in readiness for next winter. To avoid as little disruption to parish life as possible I have arranged with the company who will be carrying out the commissioning and installation works that this will be carried out and completed over five days during the week, from **Monday 17th July – Friday 21st July inclusive**. This means that during this period **the church and parish halls will need to remain closed to the General Public, and there will be no Public Worship, nor access allowed to the church buildings during this period.**

With my prayers for you and for your families during my coming holiday. Please keep me also in your own prayers each day.

Your parish priest and friend,

Fr Jonathan

THANK YOU ALL

I should like to thank Father Jonathan and all of you who have been so wonderfully kind and made my 60th anniversary so memorable in so many ways.

Thank you for all your prayers, gifts and cards- I do appreciate them.

By way of thank you I shall offer Mass for you, yours and your intentions at 6pm (June 13th).

Father Michael

Your Prayers are asked for those who are sick and housebound.

Werby McHugh, Eileen Scanlon, Brian Martin, Heather Mascott, John & Rosemary Ames, Bridie Tomlin, Ann McLarnon, Claire Johnson, Paul Lincoln, Helen Smith, George White, Dolores O'Keiffe, Marlene Bean, Graham Smith, Mary Walsh, Lesley Sanchez, Sadie Caplin, Edward Balys, Heather Whiting, Crowther Stella, Hutchins Mary, McNight Doris, Sumner Elizabeth, Mary Treacy, Vinglmia Gina

If you cannot see your loved one's name on the sick list above, please provide their name and consent in writing or by email to be published in the newsletter online.

The new rotas (Readers and Collection) are available in the Parish Exchange.

Thank you for your continuing support!!!

WEEKLY COLLECTION

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| Loose Plate | £ 310.87 |
| Envelopes | £ 140 |
| Votive Candles | £ 64.03 |
| Digital Collection Plate | £ 29.50 |
| Repository | - |
| Standing orders | £ 740 |
| Total | £ 1284.40 |

Please consider switching your weekly offerings to Standing Order and adding Gift- Aid if possible.

Account Name: St Mary's Immac Grantham RCP
Sort Code: 30-93-58
Account Number: 00208613

You can also use DONATE button available on our website.
Thank you for your generosity.

Gift Aid

Thank you to the many parishioners who gift aid their donations to the church. This brings in an extra amount of money for the parish without any extra cost to the donor.

However, if you cease to pay tax at any time, please let the gift aid co-ordinator know. If we claim gift aid on donations and subsequently learn that the donor is no longer a tax payer, we have to re-pay HMRC the amounts claimed.

If you would like any information on becoming a gift aider please contact Jennie on jennie.watson@dioceseofnottingham.uk or pick up a Gift Aid pack from church.

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Second Collection:

17th and 18th June- DAY FOR LIFE

Day for Life is the day in the Church's year dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition.

In England and Wales, **Day for Life** is celebrated on the third Sunday of June each year, this year being Sunday 18th June. For the first time it will be celebrated in Scotland and Ireland on the same day.

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FAMILY MASS AND CELEBRATION

Following last year's World Meeting of Family the Diocese of Nottingham will once again invite families from across the diocese to come together for a Mass and Celebration on **Saturday 24th June**. This year the host parish will be Sacred Heart Leicester, where Bishop Patrick McKinney will celebrate Mass at 3.00pm for families in the Diocese.

The Mass will be followed by the opportunity to socialise with a barbeque, music, family games and activities, and an ice cream van in the grounds of the parish and Sacred Heart School next door. To help with catering numbers for the barbeque please book a free ticket at familymass2023.eventbrite.co.uk for each member of your family who is attending.



The Catholic Diocese of Nottingham

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23rd Apr, 21st May, 11th June, 25th June.

www.bookwhen.com/nrcdes



BAPTISM

If you are seeking to have your child baptised and are regularly attending Mass, please in the first instance speak to Fr Jonathan or Andrew after one of the weekend Masses.

You will need to fill in a Baptism form which can be downloaded from the parish website and once returned to them you will then be advised on how to take the next step.