

St. Mary's, St. John Bosco, and St. Edward's
Seventh Week of Eastertide – Psalter Week 8
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Saturday 11th May – Easter Feria

5pm St. Edward's, Choir Practice
5:20pm – 5:50pm St. John Bosco, Confessions
6pm St. John Bosco, Holy Mass Danny Hirrell RIP

Sunday 12th May – Seventh Sunday of Easter – Psalter Week 3

9am St. Edwards, Holy Mass All Parishioners
11am St. Mary's, Holy Mass Aidan McNicholl RIP
Tea, Coffee, and Biscuits after both morning Masses in the Halls
Confessions after 11am Mass

Monday 13th May – Easter Feria

6pm St. Edwards, Ladies Prayer and Share
6:15pm St. Mary's, Choir Practice

Tuesday 14th May – Saint Matthias, Apostle

NO Mass at St. John Bosco
12pm St. Mary's Funeral Mass for Margaret McNamara RIP
12pm St. John Bosco Hall, Friendship Club
3:20pm Holy Cross School, First Holy Communion Preparation
6pm St. Mary's Hall, 8+ Post-Holy Communion Teaching
7:10pm St. Mary's, Exposition, Adoration and Benediction
7:45pm St. Mary's Hall, Discipleship Group - Church and State

Wednesday 15th May – Easter Feria

10am St. Edward's, Holy Mass, Donald, Intention
Confessions after 10am Mass at St. Edward's
7:30pm St. Mary's Hall, Confirmation Preparation

Thursday 16th May – Easter Feria

10am St. Mary's, Holy Mass, In Thanksgiving on Charles and Pauline's Golden Wedding Anniversary
6pm St. John Bosco Hall, First Holy Communion Preparation
6:30pm St. Mary's Entrance Porch, Encounter (For those seeking to enter the Church)

Friday 17th May – Easter Feria

1pm-4pm St. Edward's, Chat, Craft & Games

Saturday 18th May – Anticipation of Pentecost

9.30am HMP Fosse Way, Holy Mass All Parishioners
5pm St. Edward's, Choir Practice
5:20pm – 5:50pm St. John Bosco, Confessions
6pm St. John Bosco, Holy Mass BT Family Intention

Sunday 19th May – Pentecost Sunday

9am St. Edwards, Holy Mass Edward Hope RIP
11am St. Mary's, Holy Mass Michael Routley RIP
Baptism of Eve Smith will take place during Holy Mass at St. Mary's
Tea, Coffee, and Biscuits after both morning Masses in the Halls
Confessions after 11am Mass

Question 24 of the Compendium of the Catechism

What role does Sacred Scripture play in the life of the Church?

Sacred Scripture gives support and vigour to the life of the Church. For the children of the Church, it is a confirmation of the faith, food for the soul and the fount of the spiritual life. Sacred Scripture is the soul of theology and of pastoral preaching. The Psalmist says that it is “a lamp to my feet and a light to my path” (*Psalms* 119:105). The Church, therefore, exhorts all to read Sacred Scripture frequently because “ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ” (Saint Jerome).

St. Mary's & St. John Bosco Finances

Total Income 2/5 – 8/5 = £755.05
Total Outgoings 2/5 – 8/5 = £409.28
St. John Bosco Fire Door Donations: £2,739

St. Edward's Finances

Total Income 2/5 – 8/5 = £108
Total Outgoings 2/5 – 8/5 = £298.88

Second Collections: The next planned Second Collections for the Parishes will be on Sunday 12th May for Catholic Communications and Sunday 16th June for Day for Life. Please give generously at these collections. Thank you.

Gift Aid Envelopes 24/25: There are still named boxes in St. Mary's Porch that need collecting. Please check that you have collected your boxes.

Please Pray for Our Departed

Funeral Mass for Helen Bray RIP, St. Edward's, Wednesday 29th May 10am

Baptism: Please pray for Eve who will be baptised during the 11am Mass at St. Mary's on the 19th May, Pentecost Sunday.

First Holy Communion: Please pray for the children as they fulfil Ministries at Mass on 12th May at St. Mary's and 18th May at St. John Bosco and then enter the final stages of preparation for their **First Holy Communion** that is to take place on 1st June at St. John Bosco at 6pm and 2nd June at St. Mary's at 3pm.

Confirmation: Please pray for all those who are preparing to be **Confirmed** by the Bishop on Thursday 20th June at St. Mary's at 7pm.

Youth Club: There is NO Youth Club until Tuesday 4 June.

Fundraising Quiz Night: Saturday 18th May, St. Mary's Hall, 7pm. This event is rapidly approaching!! If you are planning to join us, please give your name - or your team name with the number in the team - to either, Keith, Jo, Helen, Rita, Ann, Julie or Hilari, or ring the office number or Hilari's number and leave a message, or leave a message on the FB page. Anyone is welcome to turn up on the night, but we do need an indication of numbers for the supper. Feel free to bring whatever you want to drink - beer, wine etc. Do come and join us for food and fun. Thank you.

New Lectionary: Four volumes of the new lectionary, containing the bible readings for Mass and a gospel book have been pre-ordered and paid for for all three churches in the Parish, costing **£926.50 per set**. A kind benefactor has anonymously gifted the set for St. Mary's. Would anyone be willing to present a set to St. Edwards, and St. John Bosco, either anonymously or your name can go in the front of the book as a gift to the church? Please contact Fr John if you would like to be a benefactor. These books **must** be used from the first Sunday in Advent when the current books are suppressed as the Bishops of England and Wales have stated that the new books will completely replace the old Jerusalem Bible Lectionary.

Called, Gifted, Sent: This is a new initiative from the Diocese to support parishes in spreading the Mission of the church as promoted by the Holy Father. Only three parishes across the Diocese have been asked to trial the materials. St. Mary's, St. John Bosco and St. Edward's is one of them which is a great honour. Please pray for the six from across the parish who will be attending the launch training day in Sheffield this Saturday, 11th May, that they will be inspired, guided and invigorated in their faith for the benefit of our community and the wider community.

A reflection from Pope Francis for the Year of Prayer, Seventh Sunday of Easter: The communion of saints! Whenever we pray, we find ourselves immersed in a great stream of past, present and future intercessions, for we pray together with all the saints in the communion of the Body of Christ which is the Church. In Christ too, we sense a mysterious solidarity with our loved ones who have died, for whom we continue to pray. We experience this prayerful solidarity also here below, as we pray for one another and for our brothers and sisters who are poor, suffering and most in need. To read the full reflection see <https://dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer>.

St. John Bosco Fire Door: Quote: £11,400, Current Donations: £2,739. The plans and quotes have been sent to the Diocese so that they can decide the best way forward. Meanwhile, we still need to raise as much towards the cost as we can as we cannot guarantee what amount we may receive from the Diocese. Please put donations in an envelope clearly marked **St. John Bosco Fire Door** and put into the collection alongside your normal offering. Once the work is completed, we can then look to rent out the presbytery. Thank you so much for your generosity towards this project and the Parish as a whole.

St. Edward's Parish are organizing a coach trip to **Walsingham** on **Saturday 6th July** departing from St Edwards at **8am** and returning from Walsingham at **4pm**. The price of the trip will be **£10 per person return**. It would be wonderful to see all Parishes on this lovely occasion and be able to participate in celebrating the different activities held at the Shrine and grounds. If you would like to come, please let Marysia at St. Edward's, know your name, telephone number and £10.00 per person to secure your seat. Please let Grace know for St. Mary's and St. John Bosco.

Ask your MP to vote for the unborn child: On **Wednesday 15 May**, MPs will be given the opportunity to vote on two pro-life changes to the law: One amendment tabled by Caroline Ansell MP lowers the abortion time limit from 24 weeks to 22 weeks. The other, tabled by Liam Fox MP, would bring the abortion time limit for babies with Down's syndrome in line with the time limit for babies that do not have disabilities (as you likely know, abortion for Down's syndrome is currently legal right up to birth). MPs will also have the opportunity to vote on two extreme abortion up to birth amendments that have been tabled by pro-abortion MPs Stella Creasy and Diana Johnson. **Take action NOW:** To oppose the abortion up to birth amendments **and** support the pro-life amendments, **email your MP NOW** via these two links: www.righttolife.org.uk/uptobirth and www.righttolife.org.uk/littlefighters

With every blessing for the joyful season of Eastertide, Fr. John.

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