

St. Mary's, St. John Bosco, and St. Edward's

Fifth Week of Eastertide – Psalter Week 1

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Saturday 27th April – Easter Feria

9:30am HMP Fosse **Holy Mass** Prisoners Intentions

5pm **St. Edward's**, Choir Practice

5:20pm – 5:50pm **St. John Bosco**, **Confessions**

6pm **St. John Bosco**, **Holy Mass** Minnie Steel RIP

Sunday 28th April – Fifth Sunday of Easter

9am **St. Edwards**, **Holy Mass** All Parishioners

11am **St. Mary's**, **Holy Mass** Arthur Hankey RIP

Tea, Coffee, and Biscuits after both morning Masses in the Halls

Confessions after 11am Mass

Monday 29th April – St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor, Patron of Europe

6pm **St. Edwards**, Ladies Prayer and Share

6:15pm **St. Mary's**, Choir Practice

7:30pm **St. Mary's** Folk Group Workshop

Tuesday 30th April – Easter Feria

10am **St. John Bosco**, **Holy Mass** John Dempsie Intentions

Confessions after 10am Mass at St. John Bosco

12pm St. John Bosco Hall, Friendship Club

3:20pm Holy Cross School, First Holy Communion Preparation

6pm **St. Mary's Hall**, 9+ Post-Holy Communion Teaching

6:30pm – 8:15pm St. John Bosco Hall, Youth Club

7:10pm **St. Mary's**, **Exposition, Adoration and Benediction**

7:45pm **St. Mary's Hall**, Discipleship Group

Wednesday 1st May – Easter Feria

10am **St. Edward's**, **Holy Mass** Tony Brennan RIP

Confessions after 10am Mass at St. Edward's

7:30pm St. Mary's Hall, Confirmation Preparation

Thursday 2nd May – St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor

10am **St. Mary's**, **Holy Mass**, Fr John Daly IC RIP

Confessions after 10am Mass at St. Mary's

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 3rd May – Sts. Philip and James, Apostles

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

Saturday 4th May – The English Martyrs

5pm **St. Edward's**, Choir Practice

5:20pm – 5:50pm **St. John Bosco**, **Confessions**

6pm **St. John Bosco**, **Holy Mass** Danny Hirrell RIP

Sunday 5th May – Sixth Sunday of Easter – Psalter Week 2

9am **St. Edwards**, **Holy Mass** All Parishioners

11am **St. Mary's**, **Holy Mass** Ray Eaton RIP

Tea, Coffee, and Biscuits after both morning Masses in the Halls

Confessions after 11am Mass

Question 22 of the Compendium of the Catechism

What importance does the New Testament have for Christians?

The New Testament, whose central object is Jesus Christ, conveys to us the ultimate truth of divine Revelation. Within the New Testament the four Gospels of Mathew, Mark, Luke and John are the heart of all the Scriptures because they are the principle witness to the life and teaching of Jesus. As such, they hold a unique place in the Church.

A reflection from Pope Francis for the Year of Prayer, Fifth Sunday of Easter:

Jesus taught us to pray to our heavenly Father, acknowledging our total dependence on him and trusting entirely in his providential care. Prayer of petition arises naturally in our hearts. In the Bible we see countless prayers to God to intervene in situations of sickness, injustice, betrayal and despair. Even the simple cry, “Lord, help me!” is itself a powerful prayer. God always hears the cry of those who call upon him. See <https://dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer>.

Mass Intentions: Do offer Masses for your loved ones to help their souls. Dated intentions are offered as near to the requested date as possible if the exact date is not available. Undated intentions are offered as soon as possible.

Please Pray for Our Departed

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

Second Collections: The Second Collection last weekend was only taken at St. Edwards, so this will be taken **this Sunday 28 April** at both St. John Bosco and St. Mary's. This is for the **Clergy Formation Fund**. (There may be an **emergency** Second Collection for **CAFOD's work in the Sudan on Sunday 5 May**.) The next planned Second Collection for the Parish will be **on Sunday 12th May for Catholic Communications**. Please give generously at these collections. Thank you.

Adoration: Every Tuesday at 7:10pm at St. Mary's. Worship the Lord in the Holy Eucharist.

First Holy Communion: Please pray for the children as they enter the final stages of preparation for their **First Holy Communion** that is to take place on the weekend of 1st and 2nd June.

St. Mary's Cleaning: We are looking for someone/couple/team who will be willing to clean the Church Hall and Kitchen on a weekly basis. If you feel called to serve in this way, please see Hilari, any member of the PPC or Fr John. Thank you.

Youth Club: Our Parish Youth Club meets every Tuesday evening in term time at St John Bosco Hall - 6:30 to 8:15pm. Young people in school year 5 or over are always welcome. Join us this Tuesday, 30th April for 'Poster Painting'.

Fundraising Events: 1) Many thanks to all who attended the Indoor Car Boot Sale on 20 April. We raised £1,100.42 in total.

2) Quiz and Simple Supper at St. Mary's Hall on Saturday 18th May at 7pm. (Note change of date from Fundraising Calendar) Donations (minimum £5); Filled jacket potatoes + salad; Quiz Prizes; Raffle – bring a raffle prize. Contact Keith, Hilari or Jo for further details. Please support this Parish Social Event. All Welcome.

St. John Bosco Fire Door: Quotes Received: 1st £16,920, 2nd £11,400, 3rd £12,240. Current Donations: £2,739. Please put further donations in an envelope clearly marked **St. John Bosco Fire Door** and put into the collection alongside your normal offering. Thank you so much for your generosity towards the Parish as a whole.

Name the United Parish: As I am sure you are all aware, St Edward's Parish is in the process of being amalgamated with St. Mary & St. John Bosco Parish. Using all three church names is quite a mouthful so what many parishes have done is adopted an overarching name for the whole Parish such as: All Saints; Mary Immaculate etc. **EACH CHURCH WILL RETAIN ITS OWN NAME AND IDENTITY!** If you have any suggestions for an overarching name for our Parish, please email it to Fr. John or mention it to a PPC member over the next week, with any reasons you might have for your choice. After the amalgamation is complete, suggestions will be sent to the bishop who has the final choice.

St. Mary's Folk Group: This Monday 29th April, in St. Mary's Church there will be a **Folk Group Workshop**. Musicians! Singers! Percussionists! We're looking out for people like you to join us. Come and see what it is like to be a part of this lovely group! Our vision is to give glory to God through our Music Ministry. All ages and abilities welcome. No need to let us know, just come along at 7.30pm in the Church. Contact information if required: Pauline 07885 187374 or paulinepayne@hotmail.com.

St Edwards 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 **£10.00 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 (who stands in the Porch at St Edwards or in the Parish Hall for coffee afterwards) 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.

Tuesday, 30th April, is the **National Day of Prayer for Survivors of Abuse**. The following **Sunday, 5th May**, is our diocesan **Safeguarding Sunday**.

The latest edition of the Diocesan E-Magazine can be viewed on the diocesan website (dioceseofnottingham.uk/news/nottingham-diocesan-e-magazine-easter-2024) Subscribe for free to receive it directly, also on the link above.

A choral concert of music in honour of **Our Lady, Queen of the May**, is being given by the combined forces of Nottingham Cathedral Choir, Salford Cathedral Choir, and Nottingham Cathedral Choir Alumni, in St. Barnabas Cathedral on **Saturday 11th May** at **7.45pm**. All are very welcome to attend. Tickets from the Cathedral Shop.

Bishop Patrick invites you to a free online webinar, on **Tuesday 21st May 6-8pm**, led by author Sherry Weddell, on how Catholics can explore their Mission to bring all people closer to Christ. The seminar will be particularly relevant to parish catechists, teachers, pastoral ministers, religious, priest and deacons, and parishioners who wish to know more about evangelisation. This seminar will help re-energise Catholics to be strong Missionary Disciples. Don't miss this opportunity to attend this free event: register at www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/sw.

Canon Jonathan Cotton will present a talk **The New Evangelisation: How's it going for you?** on **Thursday 13th June** at **7pm** in the Hutton Hall, Rosmini Centre, LE7 4SJ.

With every blessing for the joyful season of Eastertide, Newsletter Team.

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