



St. Mary's, St. John Bosco, and St. Edward's
First Week of Ordinary Time 2025, Lectionary Year C

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Retiring Collection for Sick and Retired Priests

9:30pm HMP Fosse Way **Holy Mass**, All Parishioners
2pm St. Mary's, **Bereavement Mass** Roseline Ojong RIP
6pm St. John Bosco, **Holy Mass** Walter Walsh RIP

Sunday 12th January – Baptism of the Lord

9am St. Edwards, **Holy Mass** Rex Perondo and Corazon Tamparong RIP
11am St. Mary's, **Holy Mass** Frank Hartley RIP

Monday 13th January – Feria

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

Tuesday 14th January – Feria

10am St. John Bosco, **Holy Mass of the Dead** Henry Collins RIP
12noon Countesthorpe Crematorium, **Funeral Service** Molly Prior RIP
7pm St. Mary's, **Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration with Benediction**

Wednesday 15th January – Feria

10am St. Edward's, **Holy Mass** Young people in sacramental preparation
7:30pm St. Mary's Hall, **Confirmation Programme**

Thursday 16th January – Feria

10am St. Mary's, **Holy Mass of the Dead** David Tucker RIP
6:30pm St. Mary's, **Encountering Christ in His Church/RCIA**

Friday 17th January – St. Anthony, Abbot

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

Saturday 18th January – Anticipation of The Second Sunday of the Year

12pm St. Edward's, **Holy Mass of the Dead** Anthony Liggins RIP
6pm St. John Bosco, **Holy Mass** All Parishioners

Sunday 19th January – Second Sunday of the Year

9am St. Edwards, **Holy Mass** All Parishioners
11am St. Mary's, **Holy Mass** Rosemary Fallows RIP

Confessions 5:30pm on Saturday at St. John Bosco & after all Masses

Teaching

Questions 128-129 of the Penny Catechism

128. What is the eleventh article of the Creed?

The eleventh article of the Creed is, 'the resurrection of the body'.

129. What do you mean by 'the resurrection of the body'?

By 'the resurrection of the body' I mean that we shall rise again with the same bodies at the day of judgment'.

Holy Baptism: We encourage our parish families to present their newborn infants for the Sacrament of Baptism soon after birth, because this sacrament is the foundation of the Christian life. In Baptism, the child, freed from original sin, becomes an heir to the Kingdom of God, receiving the theological virtues of faith, hope, and charity, and the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit. Arrangements for infant baptism must be made in advance by contacting Fr. John.

Encountering Christ in His Church/RCIA: This course is for any non-Catholic young people and adults, especially non-baptised, who would like to know more about the Catholic Faith and ask questions about it or for those who are considering joining the Catholic Church. Thursdays 6:30pm at St. Mary's.

Confession: To receive the sacrament of reconciliation worthily we must: examine our conscience, be sorry for our sins, have the firm purpose of not sinning again, confess our sins to the Priest, and be willing to do the penance the Priest gives us. This sacrament, worthily received, always takes away all eternal punishment.

Holy Communion: To receive Holy Communion worthily it is necessary to be free from mortal sin, to have a right intention, and to obey the Church's one hour fast required before Holy Communion out of reverence for the body and blood of our Divine Lord.

Confirmation: To receive Confirmation properly it is necessary to be in the state of grace, and to know well the chief truths and duties of our religion. After we have been confirmed, we should continue to study our religion even more earnestly than before, so that we may be able to explain and defend our faith, and thus co-operate with the grace of Confirmation.

Adoration: *“Know also that you will probably gain more by praying fifteen minutes before the Blessed Sacrament than by all the other spiritual exercises of the day. True, Our Lord hears our prayers anywhere, for He has made the promise, ‘Ask, and you shall receive,’ but He has revealed to His servants that those who visit Him in the Blessed Sacrament will obtain a more abundant measure of grace.”* – St. Alphonsus Liguori

Do join us for a Holy Hour every Tuesday at 7pm.

Anointing of the Sick: This is the sacrament which, through the anointing with blessed oil by the Priest, and through his prayer, gives health and strength to the soul and sometimes to the body when we are in danger of death from sickness, accident, or old age. There will be a healing Mass with Anointing on Tuesday the 11th of February at 7pm at St. Mary’s.

Liturgy: The sacred liturgy is the true worship of God, enacted by Jesus Christ and His body, the Church, through the power of the Holy Spirit. It is a shared public work with ceremonies, rites and formulas established by scripture and tradition.

The first celebrant of the liturgy is Christ Himself. As High Priest he celebrates the heavenly liturgy ceaselessly in the presence of the holy Mother of God, the apostles, the saints and all those who are already in the Kingdom. The Church has liturgy in obedience to God. The sacramental rites of the New Testament fulfil and replace the Old Testament rituals. This change is most clearly expressed by Christ’s command at Passover, “do this in memory of me.”

As the true worship of God, it is also clear that the liturgy of the Church should follow the ceremonies, rites and formulas established by scripture and tradition where the will of God is revealed.

As we are physical and social beings, it is fitting that the liturgy that God has given to us be public and engage all our senses. Liturgy therefore involves common prayers, visual signs, symbolic actions, incense, sacred music and the proclamation of scripture.

Evening Prayer: During Lent the Evening Prayer of the Church with sermon will be celebrated on Sundays at 6pm.

Please Remember in Your Prayers:

Molly Prior RIP,

Maureen Harrison RIP, St. John Bosco Funeral Service, 20 Jan at 12:30pm.

Ann Buxton RIP, Great Glen Crem Funeral Service, 22 Jan at 3:30pm.

Robert Toner RIP, St. Mary’s Funeral Service, 27 Jan at 10am.

Frank Hartley RIP, St. Mary’s – Reception into church on 3 Feb at 6pm.
Funeral Mass on 4 Feb at 9:30am.

Also, James Donnelly RIP, Elaine Clooney RIP, Ken Harrison, Laurence and Margaret Toner, Rosemary Hartley, Keith Moore, John McDonagh, Annie McGloin

Sick and Housebound Parishioners: If you know of any sick or housebound parishioners who would desire a visit from someone from the Church, please do let us know so that they do not feel left out of parish life.

Notices

Quiz Night: St. Mary’s Hall, **Saturday 25 January at 7:30pm** with a simple supper. Do come and join us for good fun, food and company. Donations on the night. Bring your own drinks.

Finances	Balance as of 9/1/25	Change from 2/1/25
SM & SJB	£39,080.53	+£816.97
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With prayers and blessings, Fr. John

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