



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

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Liturgies in our Churches

Saturday 22nd February – Anticipation of the 7th Sunday of the Year

6pm St. John Bosco, **Holy Mass** All Parishioners

Sunday 23rd February – Seventh Sunday of the Year

9am St. Edwards, **Holy Mass** Michael Bishop RIP

11am St. Mary's, **Holy Mass** Keith Bates RIP, 18 Ann.

Retiring Collection for Diocesan Quota on 23rd February.

Tuesday 25th February – Feria

10am St. John Bosco **Holy Mass** Mary Augustine RIP

Wednesday 26th February – Feria

10am St. Edward's **Holy Mass** Jason Sullivan RIP, Texas

Thursday 27th February – Feria

10am St. Mary's **Holy Mass**, Mick Greasley RIP

6:30pm St. Mary's, **Encountering Christ in His Church/RCIA**

Saturday 1st March – Anticipation of the Eighth Sunday of the Year

1pm St Mary's **Wedding Mass** Martin and Lucy **Baptism** Hester

6pm St. John Bosco, **Holy Mass** All Parishioners

Sunday 2nd March – Eighth Sunday of the Year

9am St. Edwards, **Holy Mass** Holy Souls

11am St. Mary's, **Holy Mass** Damien Sweeney RIP

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

Other Events in the Life of our Parish

Saturday 22nd 9:30am HMP Fosse Way **Holy Mass** Prisoners' Intentions

Saturday 22nd February 7:30pm St. John Bosco Hall, **Curry Night**

Monday 24th 6:15pm St. Mary's, **Choir Practice**

Monday 24th 7:30pm Folkgroup Workshop

Tuesday 25th 7pm Leicester, **Diocesan Roadshow**

Wednesday 26th 7:30pm St. Mary's Hall, **Confirmation Programme**

Friday 28th 1pm-4pm St. Edward's Hall, **Chat, Craft & Games**

Sunday 2nd March 1:30pm Leicester City Centre, **Rosary Rally**

Teaching

Questions 151-154 of the Penny Catechism

151. When we say, 'hallowed be thy name', what do we pray for?

When we say, 'hallowed be thy name', we pray that God may be known, loved, and served by all his creatures.

152. When we say, 'thy Kingdom come', what do we pray for?

When we say, 'thy kingdom come', we pray that God may come and reign in the hearts of all by his grace in this world, and bring us all hereafter to his heavenly kingdom.

153. When we say, 'thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven', what do we pray for?

When we say, 'thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven', we pray that God may enable us, by his grace, to do his will in all things, as the Blessed do in heaven.

154. When we say, 'give us this day our daily bread', what do we pray for?

When we say, 'give us this day our daily bread' we pray that God may give us daily all that is necessary for soul and body.

Adult Faith Formation

In our adult faith formation meeting on Tuesday evening after adoration (not this week due to the Roadshow) we are going through the General Instruction of the Roman Missal. This document is found at the beginning of the missals used for Holy Mass and it contains what is generally required and expected for the worthy celebration of the Mass. Here is an example from its introduction: **2.** The sacrificial nature of the Mass, solemnly defended by the Council of Trent, because it accords with the universal tradition of the Church, was once more stated by the Second Vatican Council, which pronounced these clear words about the Mass: 'At the Last Supper, Our Saviour instituted the Eucharistic Sacrifice of his Body and Blood, by which the Sacrifice of his Cross is perpetuated until he comes again; and till then he entrusts the memorial of his Death and Resurrection to his beloved spouse, the Church'. Let us never forget the holiness of the sacrifice we offer, nor cheapen it with gimmicks. Our Lord's death is truly offered to the Father for us and for our salvation.

Please Remember in Your Prayers:

Our Holy Father Pope Francis

Laurence Toner RIP, **21st March, 1pm**, St. Mary's **Requiem Mass**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Geraldine McGlynn. Many will remember her as an ex-Deputy Headteacher at St. John Fisher. Please also keep in your prayers Charlie, Claire and Daniel who have looked after her so well over the past ten years of her illness. May she rest in peace, Amen.

Also remember, Margaret Toner and family, Keith Moore, Annie McGloin, Peter Taylor, Ivica Dias, and Simon Doughty who is being confirmed, God willing, in HMP Fosse Way.

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

PPC: To nominate and to be nominated, an individual must be a regular worshipper at one of our churches. Any nominee must have a vision of how to support the spiritual growth and faith of the Churches. Please pray about, whether you, or someone you know, could fulfil the role. **PPC Nomination forms will be available this week. Nominations must be received by the 2nd March.**

Repositories: Unless individually priced, Donations can be made for anything not priced. Let's use this as a blessing for others as well as ourselves.

Ash Wednesday 5th March – Fasting and Abstinence

9am St. John Fisher School, **Holy Mass**

11am St. Edwards, **Holy Mass**

7pm St. Mary's, **Holy Mass**

Stations of the Cross: Leaflets are available with details of times and places.

Friday 7th March St. Edwards 7pm – St. Mary's 7pm

Friday 14th March St. John Bosco 12pm - St. Mary's 7pm

Friday 21st March St. Edwards 7pm

Friday 28th March St. John Bosco 12pm – St. Mary's 7pm

Wednesday 2nd April St. John Bosco 12pm with the children of Holy Cross School

Friday 4th April St. Edwards 7pm – St. Mary's 7pm

Friday 11th April St. John Bosco 12pm – St. Mary's 7pm

Deanery Jubilee Mass: 13th March, 7pm, Holy Cross Priory

Sunday Evening Non-Incensed Mass at St. Mary's: These will take place during **Lent at 6pm.** This gives a final chance to fulfil the obligation if you cannot make Saturday night or Sunday morning and is also for those who cannot medically cope with incense.

CAFOD Family Fast Day: Friday 14th March. CAFOD Gift envelopes are available in the porches.

Fundraising: Many of you may not attend Fundraising events, but you can still give towards the many needs of the church especially by using the card machine, or Direct Debit. Easy Fundraising can also be used when you shop online. Just sign up using the link in this newsletter, download the Donation Reminder and each time you access a website you will be given the option to donate with no cost to you. Give it a try and see how easy it is to fundraise in this way.

Tabletop Sale 17th of May, get thinking and preparing now.

Gift Aid: If you pay tax please sign up to Gift Aid your donations to the church. You will be given envelopes to place your gifts in which are then put into the collection basket each time. The Government will then give 25p for every £1 you give, which is a great help to us. Please contact Ann Clark or use the parish email address to find out more. Thank you to those who are already helping in this way.

Donations via Bank Transfer

Acc. Name: St Mary and St J B S Wigston RCP

Sort Code: 30-15-97, Account Number: 00346385

Acc. Name: St Edward Conf Leicester RCP

Sort Code: 30-15-97, Account Number: 00554352

With prayers and blessings, Fr. John

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