

5th Sunday of the Year (B)
6/7 February 2021

Sun:	9.00am Mass (Alv)	Anita Murphy RIP
	11.00am Mass (Alv)	Pat & Marie-Anne Finnegan RIP
Mon:	12 noon Mass	Sheila McQuire RIP
Wed:	<u>St Scholastica</u> (Memorial)	
	12 noon Mass	Gilbert Kelly RIP
Fri:	12 noon Mass	Winifred Buchan Int.
Sun:	<u>6th Sunday of the Year (B)</u>	
	9.00am Mass (Alv)	Larry O'Toole RIP
	11.00am Mass (Alv)	Doris & Tommy Kerrigan RIP

Money Matters:

Offertery: £524.43
Sick & Retired Priests Fund: £60

For those who regularly contribute to the church via the Envelope Scheme there are a number of ways you may continue to do so: Drop the envelope to the Presbytery or put them aside each week for when the present crisis is over.

Another option would be to set up a Direct Debit or Standing Order – Lloyds Bank: sort code 30-92-59; account number 01620555 – English Martyrs, Derby RCP.

Payments to the parish by cheque should be made payable to:
English Martyrs Derby RCP

Sanctuary Lamp:
SVP:

Prayers for the Sick: Please always keep in your prayers the sick and housebound especially William Johnson, Simon Thompson, Lynda King, Christine and Michael Dreuit, Loretta Hewitt, Winifred Buchan, Rev Greg (Methodist Minister in Chellaston), all those suffering from COVID-19 and for all those on our sick list.

Please Pray for the repose of the souls of Kathleen Geraghty, Thomas Fitzpatrick and Nina Clifton. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers also.

Jean Booth-Isherwood's funeral will take place at St George's on 10 February at 11.00am

Dear Parishioners,

We are continuing to celebrate Masses in the church, as permitted by the Government, on Sundays at 9.00am and 11.00am and on weekdays as announced in the news sheet; please continue to observe the pre-existing rules and, in addition, to not congregate outside church 'for a chat' but return home. We will all be able to have a great chat after we have had our vaccinations, the sun is shining, and we can sing again.

God Bless Fr Brentnall

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

If you cannot attend daily Mass, you can use this prayer to express your faith in Christ and His Presence in the Eucharist, and ask Him to unite Himself with us.

Year of St Joseph: In a new Apostolic Letter entitled *Patris Corde* ("With a Father's Heart"), Pope Francis describes Saint Joseph as a beloved father, a tender and loving father, an obedient father, an accepting father, a father who is creatively courageous, a working father, a father in the shadows. The Letter marks the 150th anniversary of Blessed Pope Pius IX's declaration of St Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To celebrate the anniversary, Pope Francis has proclaimed a special "Year of St Joseph," which began on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception 2020 and extends to the same feast in 2021. For more information and to download a copy of the Apostolic letter, please visit: [https:// www.cbcew.org.uk/year-of-st-joseph](https://www.cbcew.org.uk/year-of-st-joseph).

The Story of the Bible on BBC Radio 4:

Bishop Patrick has made us aware of an excellent short mini series (five 14 minute segments), which has been aired recently on BBC Radio 4 and is available still to hear via BBC iPlayer (BBC Sounds). In each segment Hugh Bonneville reads John Barton's 'History of the Bible'. The link to access is: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/series/m000qlrx>

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Nottingham 40 Days For Life 2021:

40 Days for Life is a peaceful and prayerful way to work for an end to abortion. In the Nottingham Diocese, with the support of Bishop Patrick, we have prayed outside the abortion facility at the QMC during Lent for several years. Routine abortions no longer take place there so last year we prayed at the Stapleford Care Centre, which contains a BPAS abortion clinic, until the Covid lockdown meant that we could no longer pray outside the clinic. We completed the prayer campaign by praying at home.

During Lent from 17 February to 28 March, people in our Diocese are invited to pray and fast for an end to abortion. We planned to return to Stapleford but are currently prevented from doing so by lockdown (although the abortion clinic continues to see women). So, we plan to start our 2021 campaign online.

You are invited to peacefully pray for an hour or more during a 40-day vigil running for 12 hours daily during Lent. Please sign up now to pray with us at www.40daysforlife.com/nottingham, or you can contact us at 40daysforlifenotts@gmail.com.

Bishop Patrick will celebrate Mass for us on Thursday 11 February at the Cathedral at 7.00pm - if you live near Nottingham (and are not in a high-risk category) please do come. You can also follow the Mass online through the cathedral website.

Lent Course - Thursdays 25 February, 4, 11, 18 and 25 March,

7-8.15pm - St Mary's will be offering Fr Stephen Wang's Sycamore Lent Course via Zoom. The focus of these sessions will be on knowing God and the salvation he offers in Jesus Christ, and on our response to this offer of salvation in faith, freedom and love. The format involves us watching together a video presented by Fr Stephen, followed by a discussion of the questions raised. There is follow up material provided, including references to both the YouCat and full catechism of the Church and suggested Bible readings. The meetings will be relaxed and informal, with no pressure to speak if you prefer just to listen. If you are interested in joining please contact Fran Hazel at fran@brightshark.co.uk or tel 07951 143648.

SVP – Sudan & South Sudan Twinnage Appeal: Sudan has suffered a long history of conflict that has left behind a trail of destruction of unimaginable proportions together with untold human misery. The SVP provides baby feeding and pre-school meals in the displaced people's camps. Medical centres in the camps are staffed by volunteer doctors and nurses on their days off. They also work in the prisons where women often find themselves locked up together with their babies, and an SVP water tanker provides over 35,000 people a day with a reliable supply of fresh water. **Please, can you help** by donating whatever you can afford. You can donate on-line at [https://www.svp.org.uk/donate-](https://www.svp.org.uk/donate-now?project=Sudan%20and%20South%20Sudan%20Appeal)

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Call us on **07593 384 429** to make your donation over the phone during office hours: Monday to Friday, 9.00am - 5.00pm, or

Post a cheque made out to SVP England and Wales to SVP, Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7JB

Thank you!

St John Fisher Catholic Voluntary Academy is a warm and welcoming school community. We strive to nurture each child to fulfil their full potential emotionally, socially and academically during their time at our school.

You can find out more information and see a virtual presentation and tour of the school on our school website:

www.stjohnfisher.derby.sch.uk

'Read the Bible when you are grateful: "Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits – who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases."' Psalm 103

CAFOD Lent Appeal 2021:

The focus this Lent is to provide the lifeline of water. Abdella is 23 and lives in a small village in the Afar region in Northern Ethiopia. I have visited the area and seen the long walks on dried-out riverbeds, over rocks and mountains. It can take hours and is exhausting and dangerous. I have also seen how communities have been helped. A gift this Lent is a lifeline to people like Abdella and his family.

With your support £20 can buy essential water containers for two families. £200 can help buy bikes for water engineers to service the pumps. You can donate direct at cafod.org.uk/lent appeal

If you and your family or friends are feeling energetic you might like to do the **Walk for Water Lent challenge** all the details can be found here <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/>

Walk for Water challenge- 10,000 steps a day - done your way. Every day. For 40 days. Go the distance this Lent and help to end water poverty. You don't have to get tied in a knot about how to do it: whether you hop it; skip it; slide it; run it; jump it; dance it; stamp it; stomp it. It doesn't matter how you do it, just as long as you put your heart and soul into it. Sign up now, raise money and do something different to fight poverty. You can help by **supporting our Lent appeal** and enabling us to reach out to more families and communities in desperate need of help. (10,000 steps is around 5km)

Senior Safeguarding Coordinator:

The Catholic Diocese of Nottingham seeks to appoint an experienced Safeguarding Professional to lead and manage its Safeguarding Service. Working with the Bishop, the Diocesan Trustees, Safeguarding Commission and Clergy and Parishes of the Diocese, this person will lead and develop safeguarding strategy and practice to the highest levels, and implement national policies and procedures fully and consistently. The successful applicant will be a highly motivated, energetic and enthusiastic individual with proven team leadership skills, and an expertise in, and commitment to, safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. Salary: £43,800 - £47,800 dependent on qualifications and experience. For more information and an application pack email: office@dioceseofnottingham.uk Closing date 28 February. Interviews are expected to take place in person on Monday 8 March

18+, Fancy a year with the Briars team? Briars Team Events & Applications

Check out the online events each week in our schedule for young people led by The Briars Team. Plus, applications for the new 2021-22 Team are now open. Contact director@ndcys.com to begin a conversation.

Churches Together in England, Web content Assistant:

Churches Together in England (CTE) is seeking to appoint an organised and efficient web content assistant for a fixed term of 25 days, over approximately 12 weeks. 25-day fixed term contract • Home-based • Living Wage (£9.50 per hour) • Start date: week commencing 22 February 2021. An application pack can be downloaded at cte.org.uk/ Closing date: **Monday 8 February at 9am** There is a Genuine Occupational Requirement for applicants to be a practising Christian.

Prayer of Protection:

Holy Michael the Archangel defend us in this day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do you, Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls.

Amen