

English Martyrs
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ALVASTON & CHELLASTON

18th Sunday of the Year B

4 August 2024

Psalm Response: The Lord gave them bread from heaven

Sun: 9.00am Mass Hilda Brown RIP
11.00am Mass Ken Fogg RIP

Tues: Transfiguration of the Lord
12 noon Mass Foncie Ward Int

Wed: 12 noon Mass Fr Michael Butler RIP

Fri: St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Patron of Europe)
12 noon Mass Margaret Johnson Int.

19th Sunday of the Year B

Sun: 9.00am Mass Geraldine Budgen RIP
11.00am Mass Angela & Donald Watson RIP

Money Matters:

Collection:
Offertory: £583.38

For those who regularly contribute to the church via the Envelope Scheme, 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:

Prayers for the Sick: Please always keep in your prayers the sick and housebound especially Simon Thompson, Christine and Michael Dreuit, Terry Bullock, Norman Annable, Giovanni Busato, Ian Robinson, Bart Makowski, Joe Migallo, Liam Blaney, Christopher Turner, Tracey Reeve, Loretta Hewitt, Liz Simmons, Terry & Liz Spencer, Anu Chilka, Mick Connolly, Chris Connolly, Maria Latwiel, Anne Smith, Margaret Meagher, James Wilson and Libby Dodes.

Please Pray for the repose of the soul of Crawford Fisher RIP. May he rest in peace. Please also remember his family in your prayers

Second Collections: 15 Aug – Feast of the Assumption
15 Sept – Evangelii Gaudium Sunday

This year's Dowry Pilgrimage to Walsingham is on **Sunday, 1 September** and will be led by Archbishop Malcolm McMahon OP. More information is available at www.walsingham.org.uk/event/dowry-of-mary-pilgrimage-3/.

The Diocesan Youth Service has vacancies for two exciting roles, based at The Briars, Crich:

Centre Manager: This critical new role will provide hands-on management of the day-to-day operations of The Briars retreat centre and commercial properties, supporting our well established team in the delivery of our service, facilities management and ambitious development goals. 37.5 hours per week; £35-45k.

Programme Director: an exciting and challenging opportunity for an experienced leader to develop new and existing ways of enabling the young people of Nottingham Diocese to encounter God, grow in discipleship, and facilitate opportunities for mission in the context of the Briars retreat centre and outreach to schools and parishes. 40 hours per week (some evenings and weekends); £28-34k. The closing date for is **Friday 16 August**; for an application form visit ndcys.com/job-vacancies/

March for Life happens in London on Saturday 7th September. There are many attempts at the moment to further liberalise abortion in the UK and to silence those offering any alternative viewpoint, whether it's 'pills by post' abortions, 'decriminalisation', buffer zones, or censorship of pro-life students at universities. The dangers of these situations are being highlighted by the theme of this year's March for Life which is 'Abortion isn't healthcare'. Join thousands at this family-friendly event. Find out more at www.marchforlife.co.uk or contact Marie on marielangford@live.co.uk about the coach going from central Nottingham.

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The Transfiguration of the Lord – Feast – 6 Aug:

The Transfiguration of the Lord on Mount Tabor came to strengthen the faith of the disciples, for trying times lay ahead: the Son of Man would be put to death and all that the human eye could see was weakness, humiliation and suffering. Beyond the shame of the cross, however, is the light and glory of Easter, and it is this that the Transfiguration reveals. It shows the disciples, and us, Christ's divinity – he who is Light from Light – and anticipates the glory of Heaven.

St Dominic, Priest – Memorial – 8 August:

St Dominic (c.1170-1221) was born at Caleruega (Spain) and initially joined the Canons Regular of Osma. In 1206 he was sent to Languedoc (France) to help uproot the Catharist or Albigensian heresy. While based in Toulouse he founded the Order of Preachers (Dominicans) to assist in this work; the Order was approved by the Holy See in 1216 and has had a huge impact on the life of the Church.

St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr, Patron of Europe – Feast – 9 August:

St Teresa Benedicta (1891-1942) was born Edith Stein at Wroclaw (now in Poland, but then in the German province of Silesia), the eleventh child of a Jewish family. She showed great ability in her philosophical studies and became a popular lecturer and writer. After reading the autobiography of St Teresa of Avila she sought baptism in 1922 and eleven years later joined the Carmelites at Cologne. She was moved to the Carmel of Echt (Netherlands) to avoid the growing Nazi threat but was eventually arrested and gassed at Auschwitz on 9 August 1942.

St Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr – Feast – 10 August:

St Lawrence (+258) was one of the seven deacons of St Sixtus II killed during the persecution of Valerian. On his arrest, he was ordered to hand over the riches of the Church but pointed to a crowd of poor people, saying 'Here are the true treasures of the Church.' According to tradition he was roasted to death on a gridiron.