

English Martyrs
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ALVASTON & CHELLASTON

Third Sunday of the Year - C

26 January 2025

Psalm Response: Your words, O Lord, are spirit and life

Sun:	9.00am Mass	Paul Muyomba Fam Int
	11.00am Mass	Mavis & Gordon Hawkins RIP
Mon:	12 noon Mass	Tracey Reeve Int.
	4.30pm Reception of Maureen Cunningham RIP	
Tues:	11.00am Requiem Mass	Maureen Cunningham RIP
	followed by burial at St Michael's	
Fri:	12 noon Mass	William Johnson RIP
Presentation of the Lord		
Sun:	9.00am Mass	Chris & Leo Hurd RIP
	11.00am Mass	Phyl McGauran Int.

Money Matters:

Offertory: £593.96

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: Donald Watson RIP

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, Liz Simmons, Terry & Liz Spencer, Anu Chilka, Mick Connolly, Chris Connolly, Maria Latwiel, Anne Smith, Margaret Meagher, James Wilson, Libby Dodes and Gregory Makowski.

Please Pray for the repose of the soul of Maureen Cunningham. May she rest in peace. Please also remember her family in your prayers.

Second Collections:

16 Mar: CAFOD (Lent Fast Day)

23 Mar: SVP (For the Poor & Needy)

Second Collection: Today Sunday, 26 January for LEPR

MISSIO – Red Box: Please bring your Red Box to the Sacristy for it to be emptied. **PLEASE** ensure that it has your name on it so that it can be returned to you. Thank you for your generosity.

A Year of Hope: Introduction to the Jubilee Year:

How can we respond to Pope Francis' call to be "tangible signs of hope" in this Jubilee Year? Find out by watching [this inspirational event](#) (find it and other Jubilee resources at cafod.org.uk/jubilee). Featuring Fr Jan Nowotnik, Director of Mission at the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, CAFOD Director Christine Allen and more. Discover how we can act in faith and in love as pilgrims of hope this Holy Year.

Bishop Patrick warmly invites all married couples to Saint Barnabas Cathedral (NG1 5AE) on **Sunday, 16 February** when we will celebrate Mass at 3.00pm to mark the Jubilee of Marriages. The Bishop will lead a Renewal of Vows during the Mass, impart a special Jubilee Blessing, and afterwards host a Reception in Cathedral Hall. All married couples (and their families) are very welcome to attend, especially those recently married, and those celebrating significant anniversaries this Jubilee year.

The Diocesan Youth Service is looking to appoint a Business Manager to provide managerial oversight and hands on control of all aspects of financial management and reporting, people management and other resources such as the facilities in Derbyshire. The role is for 37.5 hours per week, with a salary in the range £38k-£42k. The deadline for applications is **Friday 31st January**, and more details can be found at: www.ndcys.com/job-vacancies/

An exciting opportunity has arisen at All Saints, West Nottingham parish for a part-time parish administrator, working 10 hours per week (Mondays and Fridays). For more details see the poster; the closing date for applications is **Friday, 31 January**.

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You Can Help Your Marriage – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped because it only makes it worse? Retrouvaille has helped 10s of 1000s of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about the next programme which will be presented on Zoom, **Thursday 27th February – Sunday 2nd March** please email: info@retrouvaille.org.uk, telephone 07887 296983, or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

Lay chaplaincy post- Blessed Robert Sutton, Holy Rosary and St Edwards CVA's - We are part of the St Ralph Sherwin Catholic Multi-Academy Trust, a family of schools committed to delivering high-quality education within a strong Catholic ethos. We strive to nurture and develop the whole person—spiritually, academically, and socially—by integrating faith into every aspect of school life. Our schools are inclusive, vibrant, and diverse communities where students are encouraged to grow in their relationship with God and with each other.

We are seeking a dedicated and passionate Lay Chaplain to work across multiple schools within our trust. This is a reserved post, and the successful candidate must be a practising Catholic who is committed to deepening the spiritual life of our school communities. The schools are:

Blessed Robert Sutton Catholic Voluntary Academy, Bluestone Lane, Stapenhill, Burton-on-Trent, DE15 9SD.

Holy Rosary Catholic Voluntary Academy, Alexandra Road, Burton-on-Trent, DE15 0JE.

St Edward's Catholic Voluntary Academy, Newhall Road, Swadlincote, Derbyshire, DE11 0BD.

Link to the advert - <https://mynewterm.com/jobs/146235/EDV-2025-BRSCVA-16204>

The deadline for applications is Midnight extended to **Friday, 7 February**

Ss Timothy & Titus, Bishops (Memorial) – 26 January:

Ss Timothy and Titus were both apostles of St Paul, who addressed to them three of his Epistles. St Timothy (+97) accompanied the Apostle on many of his journeys and eventually became Bishop of Ephesus. According to tradition, he was beaten to death by a mob when he opposed the worship of Dionysus.

St Titus (+96) seems to have served as the first bishop of Crete

St Angela Merici, Virgin (Optional Memorial) – 27 January:

St Angela Merici (1474-1540) was born near Verona, Italy, and devoted herself to the education of girls and the care of the sick. In 1516 she founded the Institute of St Ursula (Ursulines), the first teaching order for women approved by the Church.

St Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of the Church (Memorial) – 28 January:

St Thomas Aquinas (c.1224-1274) was a Dominican friar who became one of the most important Christian philosophers and theologians. Known as the 'Angelic Doctor', he had an astonishing mastery of scholastic theology and a profound holiness of life. His greatest work, the 'Summa Theologica', is still widely used. Pope Leo XIII declared him patron of Catholic schools.

St Aidan, Bishop (Optional Memorial) – 30 January:

St Aidan or Máedóc (+626), not to be confused with St Aidan of Lindisfarne, was born in Inisbrefny, County Cavan, and was a monk under St David in Wales. He became the first Bishop of Ferns, County Wexford and founded a number of monasteries, including those at Ferns and his birthplace of Inisbrefny.

St John Bosco, Priest (Memorial) – 31 January:

St John Bosco (1815-1888) was born in Piedmont (Italy) and devoted his life to Catholic education. This 'Apostle of Youth' founded the Salesian Order, named in honour of St Francis de Sales, and, with the help of St Mary Mazzarello, the Daughters of Mary Help of Christians. Despite meeting much opposition, his aim was, above all, to educate through love.

'Let nothing disturb you. Let nothing frighten you. All things pass. God does not change. Patience achieves everything. Whoever has God lacks nothing. God alone suffices'

St Teresa of Avila