

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

23 August 2026

Psalm Response: *O Lord, your merciful love is eternal;
discard not the work of your hands*

Sun:	9.00am Mass 11.00am Mass	Mariana McDauid RIP McKnight Family
Mon:	12 noon Mass (20 th week in Ordinary Time)	Anne Walsh Int
Tues:	10.00am Mass	Joyce Bowker RIP
Wed:	10.00am Mass	Spencer Ketta RIP
Thurs:	10.00am Mass	Les & Beryl Cope RIP
Fri:	NO MASS	
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Sun:	9.00am Mass 11.00am Mass	Geoff Gabriel RIP Liam Blaney RIP

Money Matters:

Offertory: £490.74

For those who regularly contribute to the Church via the Envelope Scheme, another option would be to set up a Monthly or Weekly Direct Debit or Standing Order. If you contribute by any of these methods and you pay Income Tax, please consider Gift Aiding your contributions to the Parish, this is worth an extra 20% to the Parish without costing you any more than your Gift to the Parish.

Lloyds Bank: sort code 30-92-59;

Account number 01620555 – English Martyrs, Derby RCP.

(Gift Aid forms available at the back of Church)

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

Sanctuary Lamp: Sr Clare Seeckts RIP - A Parish Sister of Mercy and friend

Prayers for the Sick: Please always keep in your prayers the sick and housebound especially Simon Thompson, Christine Dreuit, Giovanni Busato, Ian Robinson, Bart Makowski, Christopher Turner, Tracey Reeve, Terry & Liz Spencer, Mick & Frances Connolly, Maria Latwiel, Anne Smith, Margaret Meagher, Libby Dodes, Gregory Makowski, Brian Campbell, Mary Storer, Peggy Whelan, Ann Curley, Veronica Wood and Phyl McGauran.

Please Pray for those who have died. May they rest in peace.

Mass will now be said at the Derby Royal Hospital on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 2.00pm in the Hospital Chapel.
The next Mass will be on **Tuesday, 25 August**.

SVP Summer Raffle: Raffle tickets for the SVP Summer draw are now available to buy from any SVP member or at the back of Church. First prize £5000, 2 second prizes of £1000 and 15 £100 prizes. Tickets cost £1 (in books of 5). Buy now for your chance to win – you've got to be in it to win it!!

Food Donations: Thank you for your continued donations to the Food Appeal. The box will remain at the back of Church for your donations when you can.

The school summer holidays are fast approaching, which is always a more difficult time for those we support. Your support would be greatly appreciated over the next couple of months.

Items in particular need are: Pasta Sauce, Baked Beans, Soup, Dry Pasta, Tinned hot dogs, Tinned meatballs, Cereals, Nappies and Pull-ups. Squash, Crisps, Biscuits etc also gratefully received. Thankyou.

Second Collections:

6 September Diocesan Quota

20 September Home Mission Sunday

Mission Together, 12 September 2026: Join the 'Workshop for everyone' at Holy Cross Priory in Leicester. Pope Leo and Pope Francis ask all the baptised to build new relationships in the church through 'synodality' (walking together). Led by Dr Austen Ivereigh, Pope Francis' biographer and an invited expert at the synod on synodality, the workshop runs 10am - 3pm and will explore practical ways to listen and connect for mission. Caritas Leicester & Leicestershire suggest a donation of £20 to cover costs, though if this amount means you can't come just give what you can. Find out more at bit.ly/synodalityleics

300 Club Winners:

£100 JM Storer
£50 D Merrison
£25 A Mason
£25 T Spray
£25 JA Curley
£25 R Harnedy
Well done all!

Christians Together in Chellaston is holding its AGM on **Wednesday, 2 September** at St Peter's Church Hall at 10.30am. All welcome.

The next United service will be held in St Peter's Church Hall on **Sunday, 27 September** at 3pm. The speaker, Jennifer Cox, will talk about her involvement with The Children of Honduras project. Shared tea afterwards. All welcome.

All Christians Together – Community Events:

Alvaston Baptist – Model Railway Club Friday at 7pm. Contact Paul at Paul@whpcottage.co.uk.

Alvaston Methodist – Bereavement café 1st Friday of the month 10-12 noon.

Alvaston Parish Church (St Michael's) – Games night every 1st, 3rd and 5th Fridays of the month at 7pm Warm welcome 1-4pm Wednesday during August. OASIS welcomes all women to attend a great service and get together on **7 Oct.**

Boulton St Mary's – Craft 2nd & 4th Saturday of the month. 1st & 3rd Friday of the month, 10.30-11.30 Chatty Café.

Salvation Army – Day trip to Skegness **11 Sept** £22. Call Dawn on 07551 571020 to book your place

St Martins – Warm space **Fridays 9.30-11.30.** Bereavement Café **26 August** 11.30-1.00pm. Lunchclub 2 courses £6.50 Thursdays. Chatty crafters every Tuesday 10-12noon.

If you need a School Uniform or have one to donate, please contact Derby School Support website. See poster at back of Church.

'Let God's promises shine on your problems'

Corrie ten Boom

St Bartholomew, Apostle (Feast) – 24 August

St Bartholomew (first century) was originally from Cana in Galilee and is usually identified with Nathanael, who was introduced to the Lord by St Philip. According to tradition, after Pentecost he preached the Gospel in Arabia, India and Armenia, where he was flayed alive. He is thus the patron of tanners.

St Louis (Opt Mem) – 25 August:

St Louis IX (1214-1270) became King of France at the age of twelve. He married Margaret of Provence and had eleven children. He showed great integrity in his rule, always promoting peace and justice and showing great piety and love for the poor. He died of dysentery near Tunis in 1270 during his second crusade for the liberation of the Holy Places. He was canonized in 1297.

St Joseph Calasanz, Priest (Opt Mem) – 25 August:

St Joseph Calasanz (1557-1648) was born near Peralta de la Sal in Aragon (Spain) and ordained a priest in 1583. He went to Rome, where he joined St Camillus de Lellis in caring for the victims of the 1595 plague. He founded the first free school in the city and his community of teachers developed into the Piarist Order. In his old age he was the victim of false accusations but patiently endured this humiliation. He is the patron of Christian schools.

Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God, Priest (Opt Mem)

– 26 August:

Blessed Dominic Barberi (1792-1849) was born near Viterbo (Italy), entered the Passionists and ordained a priest in 1818. He taught theology in Rome and served as Provincial. He had long believed he was called to be an instrument for the conversion of England and in his final years was given the opportunity of labouring tirelessly in this country, despite facing much opposition. On 8 October 1845 he received St John Henry Newman into the Church at Littlemore.

St Monica (Memorial) – 27 August:

St Monica (c.331-387) was born in Thagaste (now Algeria, then in the Roman province of Africa). She married Patricius and was mother of St Augustine. She prayed and suffered for her son's conversion and was overjoyed by his baptism in 387. She died shortly afterwards at Ostia and in the fifteenth century her relics were brought to Rome.

St Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (Memorial)

– 28 August:

St Augustine (354-430) was born in Thagaste (Algeria) and, despite the example of his mother, became a Manichean and fathered an illegitimate child. He was converted at the age of thirty-three and baptized by St Ambrose in Milan. St Augustine became Bishop of Hippo Regius (now Annaba, Algeria) and wrote and preached energetically in defence of the faith, making him one of the most influential Doctors of the Church. His principles concerning the religious life continue to inspire Augustinian canons, friars and nuns.

The Passion of St John the Baptist (Memorial) – 29 August:

The Gospels relate how St John fearlessly condemned Herod Antipa's unlawful marriage to Herodias, who had been previously married to his half-brother. The outraged Herodias had him imprisoned. In a moment of weakness Herod promised to grant the heart's desire of Salome, the daughter of Herodias. She asked for St John's head, which was promptly fetched for her. Thus the Precursor of the Lord preceded his Master through his passion.

Ss Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line and Margaret Ward, Martyrs (Opt Mem) – 30 August:

This day commemorates the three canonized female martyrs of the English Reformation: St Margaret Clitherow (1556-1586), a native of York and convert to Catholicism, who sheltered priests and was pressed to death in her home town on 25 March 1586; St Anne Line (1567-1602) from Dunmow, Essex who also harboured priests and was hanged at Tyburn on 27 February 1601; St Margaret Ward (+ 1588), born in Congleton, Cheshire, who worked in London and attempted to help a priest escape from prison, and was hanged at Tyburn on 30 August 1588. All three were canonized in 1970 amongst the Forty Martyrs of England and Wales.