

19th Sunday of the Year A 9 August 2026

Psalm Response: *Show us, O Lord, your mercy, and grant us your salvation*

Sun:	9.00am Mass	Alan & Kath Rose RIP
	11.00am Mass	Anne Annable & Dawn Hallsworth Int.
Mon:	<u>St Lawrence</u> (Feast)	
	12 noon Mass	Patrick Joseph Smith RIP
Tues:	10.00am Mass	Fernando Family RIP
Wed:	10.00am Mass	Laura Procula DaCosta Int.
Thurs:	10.00am Mass	Mark Sharkey RIP
Fri:	11.00am Nuptial Mass	Holly Fowkes & Taylor Lawrence
<u>The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</u>		
Sun:	9.00am Mass	Joyce Bowker RIP
	11.00am Mass	Roland & Noreen Int

Money Matters:

Offertory: £506.56

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: Valda Jordan-Lin Int.

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.

We welcome to the Parish, Fr Anthony Xaviour, who will be with us for two months whilst taking a break from his studies in Rome.

Fr Xaviour will be available for confession for half an hour before weekday mass.

All Christians Together (ACT) – Sundays at Six

Theme: The Peace of God following from the Goodness of God

The next **Sundays at Six** will take place today, Sunday 9 August at the Salvation Army, DE24 9AE

Next Sunday, 16 August will be at Alvaston Methodist Church DE24 8TG

Mass will now be said at the Derby Royal Hospital on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 2.00pm in the Hospital Chapel.

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:

23 August Diocesan Quota

6 September Diocesan Quota

20 September Home Mission Sunday

St Patrick's Missions: A letter of thanks for your donations of used stamps, has been received. There is a box at the back of church by the hymn books for your donations. Thank you.

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

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.

'Faith is taking the first step even when you can't see the whole staircase'

Martin Luther King

St Lawrence (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.

St Clare, Virgin (Memorial) – 11 August:

St Clare (c.1193-1253) was born in Assisi (Italy) and became a disciple of St Francis. She founded the Order of the Poor Clares or Minoresses and lived a life of radical poverty at the convent of San Damiano. She wisely led her community for forty years and gave counsel to many high-ranking prelates. Such was the fame of her holiness, she was canonized two years after her death.

St Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious (Opt Mem) – 12 Aug:

St Jane Frances de Chantal (1572-1641) was born in Dijon (France). She was happily married and had four children. Her husband was killed in a hunting accident; nine years later, with the help of her spiritual director, St Francis de Sales, she founded the Order of the Visitation, which was dedicated to works of charity among the sick and poor.

Ss Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs (Opt Mem)

– 13 August:

Ss Pontian and Hippolytus (+c.236) suffered martyrdom after being exiled to Sardinia by the Emperor Maximinus Thrax. St Pontian succeeded St Urban I as Pope in 230, while St Hippolytus was a priest of Rome. He may also be the noted theologian of that name who was elected anti-pope during a disagreement over the forgiveness of those who had sinned grievously. He was reconciled with the Church before his death.

St Maximilian Mary Kolbe, Priest and Martyr (Memorial)

– 14 August:

St Maximilian Kolbe (1894-1941) was born near Lodz (Poland) and joined the Conventual Franciscans. Marked by an ardent devotion to the Blessed Virgin, who had appeared to him as a child, he set up the Militia Immaculata, preached Marian consecration and founded monasteries in Niepokalanow (Poland) and Nagasaki (Japan). Eventually imprisoned by the Nazis in Auschwitz, he offered himself in exchange for a father who was to be starved to death. St John Paul II canonized him in 1982 and proclaimed him the patron of the 'suffering' twentieth century.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Solemnity)

– 15 August:

The Solemnity of the Assumption is, in some ways, the paramount feast of Our Lady, since it commemorates her passing, body and soul, into glory in heaven, where she stands beside her Son 'in garments of gold'. Though the dogma of the Assumption was only defined in 1950, it was widely believed by the earliest Christians. The Blessed Virgin truly leads the way; she fulfilled her vocation in humility and, given her Immaculate Conception, the grave was no place for her body. Where she is now, we one day hope to be.

St Stephen of Hungary (Opt Mem) – 16 August:

St Stephen (Istvan) (c.975-1038) was baptized at the age of ten, when his father, the Duke of Hungary, converted to Christianity. He married Gisela, sister of the Holy Roman Emperor St Henry, and succeeded his father in 997. Crowned first King of Hungary in 1001, he ruled forcefully and with great wisdom and did much to encourage the evangelization of his people. His wife was beatified in 1975; his son Emeric (Imre), who predeceased him, is also venerated as a saint.