

The Catholic Parish of St Mary and St Augustine Webster, North Lincolnshire

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Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 4th May The English Martyrs	12 Noon (Melwood) 5:30PM (Brigg) 6.00PM (Brigg)	Mass - <i>For the people of the parish</i> Confessions Mass - <i>John and Norma Clohesy and Eileen Williams RIP</i>
Sunday 5th May Sixth Sunday of Easter	9.00AM (Barton) 11:00AM (Brigg)	Mass - <i>Bernadette Williams RIP</i> Mass - <i>Elizabeth and Anthony Norton</i>
Monday 6th May	-	
Tuesday 7th May	9.00AM (Brigg) 9.30AM (Brigg)	Exposition Mass - <i>Ann-Marie and Arny</i>
Wednesday 8th May	9.30AM (Barton)	Mass - <i>Marie Pates RIP</i>
Thursday 9th May The Ascension of the Lord HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION	9:30AM (Barton) 2.00PM (School) 6.15-6.45PM (Brigg) 7.00PM (Brigg)	Mass - <i>Holy Souls (Int. Agnes)</i> Mass - <i>Pupils and Staff of St. Mary's School</i> Exposition Mass - <i>Father John Taylor RIP</i>
Friday 10th May	9:00AM (Brigg) 9.30AM (Brigg) 7.00PM (Barton)	Exposition Mass - <i>Holy Souls (Nov. dead list)</i> Exposition and Rosary
Saturday 11th May	10.00AM (Barton) 10.30AM (Barton) 5.30PM (Brigg) 6.00PM (Brigg)	Mass - <i>Gerald Dixon</i> Exposition and Confessions Confessions Mass - <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 12th May Seventh Sunday of Easter	9.00AM (Barton) 11:00AM (Brigg)	Mass - <i>Marie Pates RIP</i> Mass - <i>Leo McCloskey RIP</i>

Melwood Pilgrimage: In honour of Saint Augustine Webster, on **Saturday 4th May**. Meet before 12.00 noon at Low Melwood Farm (DN9 1AD) for the Rosary Procession, and Mass, with optional picnic afterwards.

The Feast of the Ascension: This **Thursday 9th May**. It is a Holy Day of Obligation, which means the faithful are expected to attend Mass. See over for Mass times.

New parish cleaner: Mrs Amy Sheridan-Garrity was appointed in April as cleaner for the church and hall. Thank you to Amy for the hard work she does every week to keep our buildings so clean for us and our visitors.

New parish administrative assistant: Mrs Kate Prior has been appointed as the new Parish Administration Assistant. Kate will help relieve me of most of the burden of parish administration, including monitoring the parish email account and producing the newsletter. I will speak more about Kate's role at the Masses this weekend.

Safeguarding Sunday: The Diocese has designated May 5th as Safeguarding Sunday. This is an opportunity for the Diocese to reflect on the theology and spirituality of safeguarding and to express gratitude for the work of all our parish safeguarding representatives, who assist us in assuring that our Church is a safe place for all children and vulnerable adults. It is also used to inform congregations of the journey of the Catholic Church and how safeguarding has evolved over the years and the current changes that have now been implemented.

A copy of the letter from Bishop Patrick for Safeguarding Sunday can be found on the parish noticeboard and it is also available on the diocesan website in video format, together with other resources:

www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/news/safeguardingsunday2024

Parish Visiting: Please email the parish office with suggested dates if you would like to invite Father Lim to visit you at home.

Pentecost Novena: Novenas have become popular in the Church, as a means of asking God for a favour, or building up to the main feasts of the Church. The first novena took place between the Ascension and Pentecost, when Jesus asked the disciples to remain in Jerusalem until they received the Holy Spirit. They prayed for nine days until Pentecost arrived. Why not join millions around the world in making a Pentecost novena this year? A novena prayer need not be long. You could say this short prayer every night during the novena:

"O Holy Spirit, who descended upon the Apostles and filled them with power and wisdom, watch over me and guide me in all my thoughts and acts. Never let me forget to call on you whenever I need help.

O Holy Spirit, Spirit of Truth, come into our hearts, shed the brightness of Your light on all nations, that they may be one in faith and pleasing to You. Amen."

A reflection from Pope Francis for the Year of Prayer, Sixth Sunday of Easter: We now consider the importance of perseverance in prayer. Reflecting on Saint Paul's encouragement to pray unceasingly, the Russian ascetic tradition developed the prayer of the heart, based on repeating the words, "Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me a sinner", until they become like the air we breathe. Prayer thus becomes the backdrop against which every action of our lives finds its deepest meaning. If God can find time for each of us, surely we can find time for him!

To read the full reflection and find more resources at www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer

Encounter Prayer Podcast: The latest episode of the Diocesan Year of Prayer Podcast is now available. This episode explores praying chaplets with Madeleine Heraghty who organises the Divine Mercy Sunday celebrations in Nottingham each year. It can be found on all podcast providers by searching Diocese of Nottingham or by visiting www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer