



# THE PARISH OF ST. PATRICK & ST. GEORGE

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## WEEKLY BULLETIN 5th – 11th FEBRUARY 2023

### FIFTH SUNDAY OF YEAR A

<b>Sunday, 5th February</b>	<b>St Patrick's, Forest Town</b>	<b>11.00 am Mass</b>	<i>Nellie Alexander Intentions</i>
<b>Tuesday, 7th February</b>	<b>St Patrick's School</b>	<b>2.15 pm Mass</b>	<i>School Community</i>
<b>Wednesday, 8th February</b>	<b>St Patrick's, Forest Town</b>	<b>9.15 am Mass</b>	<i>Mrs Florence Eastham RIP</i>
<b>Sunday, 12th February</b>	<b>St Patrick's, Forest Town</b>	<b>11.00 am Mass</b>	<i>Angela Loftus RIP</i>

### ROTAS

<b>Sunday, 5th February</b>	Mass	Greeters:	Jackie & Colin	Reader: Ian
		Minister:	Pat	
		Counters:	Jackie & Colin	Cleaning: Rosie & Sheila
<b>Sunday, 12th February</b>	Mass	Greeters:	Cory & Dilys	Reader: Karen
		Minister:	Andrew	
		Counters:	Angela & Andrew	Cleaning: Linda, Val & John

Your Prayers are requested for: Jennifer Davis' Margaret Beresford; Rita; Michael B; Philip Joseph; Mary C A; Preethy Philip; Alphy George; Adam George; Luka George; Anne W; Janet C; Mary S; Garry; Malcolm S; Jay; Liz T (Anne's niece); Jackson L (in thanksgiving for a recovery from his operation); Martin M; Rosemary S; Tina T; Mary C, Joseph D, Noel De L; Danny De L; Dianna B; Theresa D; Ron and Jean M; Claire D and Mrs C. Casey. All those in hospital or housebound and their carers. Peace in the Ukraine. *Please let Fr John know of anyone who would like to be remembered in our prayers.*

### SYNOD PRAYER

*We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.  
With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;  
Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.  
We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.  
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.  
Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.  
All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time,  
in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen*

### **CAFOD Prayer for Ukraine**

Loving God, we pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them. We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices. We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need. May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen.

**THURSDAY EVENINGS** You are welcome to join the Sisters at the Convent in Shirebrook on every Thursday at 7.30pm to reflect on the coming Sunday Readings.

**TEA AND COFFEE AFTER MASS AS USUAL – THE BOILER HAS BEEN FIXED!!**

**FOOD BANK:** *The cost of living crisis has meant that the number of people needing the emergency rations that the foodbank can offer has doubled recently. At the same time, donations have dramatically decreased. We need tinned hot and cold meat, tinned fish, tinned vegetables, coffee, tinned fruit, toiletries, cleaning materials and **particularly Size 5 or 6 nappies**. Thank you very much for your continued support. Please leave your donations in the porch of St Patrick's Church. For more information, please speak to Angela Grabowski.*

**FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAMME:** The Enrolment Mass will take place on **Sunday, 5th January** with weekly preparation sessions from 6th March. Preparation Masses will be held in St Patrick's on 23rd April and 14th May with the First Communion Mass at 10.00 am on **Saturday, 10th June**. Each Sunday, we will be invited to pray the following prayer together at Mass. Please feel free to use the prayer during the week.

*Lord Jesus, We thank and praise you for the gift of our children. Be with them, their parents and catechists in our Pastoral Area, as they prepare in this year to encounter you more deeply in the Eucharist. May they come to know, the one true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. May your Holy Spirit help them to grow in faith, hope, and love, so they may know peace, truth, and goodness. May their ears hear your voice. May their eyes see your presence in all things. May their lips proclaim your word. May their hearts be your dwelling place. May their hands do works of charity. May their feet walk in the way of Jesus Christ, today and always. Amen*

**SCHOOL NEWS:** News of each school's activities is available on their respective websites. St Patrick's School is looking for volunteer to help the pupils with various tasks. If you are interested, please contact the school office on 01623 478090.

**VICAR GENERAL FOR THE DIOCESE OF NOTTINGHAM:** Bishop Patrick has announced that Canon John Kyne will be appointed one of two Vicars-General for the Diocese with effect from Easter Monday the 10th April. He will succeed Canon Joe Wheat who has served a five year term of office and who has asked to stand down. The Vicars-General are the Bishop's principal advisors and Canon John will have a particular responsibility for the counties of Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire. Canon Eddy Jarosz will continue as Vicar-General responsible for Lincolnshire and Leicestershire. This new post will mean that Canon John will need to be away from the parish more frequently on Diocesan business. As a parish we are grateful to Frs Marc and Shalbin and Sr Susan for pastoral ministry across our parishes, in our schools, and in our hospital.

**FUNDRAISING:** Cory and Debbie have re-introduced Bingo sessions on a Thursday at 7.00 pm in the Church Hall. Raffle and LOTTO Hotpicks prizes. Proceeds from the Bingo and the teas and coffees served after Mass on Sundays go to the Emily Harris Foundation. Cory has started a raffle during the tea and coffee session on a Sunday.

**FIND OUT MORE ABOUT CAFOD'S FAMILY FAST DAY:** CAFOD's Lent Family Fast Day coming is soon (**Friday 3rd March**) If you would like to find out more about how CAFOD support our brothers and sisters around the world and this year's appeal, please feel free to come along to our Find Out More Session at CAFOD's Volunteer Centre, Bulwell, NG6 9ES on **Saturday 11th February**. We will start at 11.00am, followed by a shared lunch. For more details contact Will Cruddace, the Diocesan CAFOD worker, on 077100 94455 or [nottingham@CAFOD.org.uk](mailto:nottingham@CAFOD.org.uk)

**THE NEXT ONLINE WARMER WELCOME WORKSHOP:** Takes place on **Monday 13th February** at 7.00pm. Anyone involved in running a community café or drop-in from parish premises is welcome to this opportunity to exchange ideas and good practice. This workshop will include an opportunity to explore questions about your health and safety, food hygiene and insurance with Catherine Scholes from the Diocesan Property Department. To book visit [bit.ly/WarmerWelcome](https://bit.ly/WarmerWelcome)

**BROKEN AND SHARED:** Is a free, five-session Lent Course looking at food, hospitality, poverty and the cost of living. It will be held on Thursday evenings, from **23rd February** in Cathedral Hall, Nottingham, from 7.30–9.00pm, and following the lent Sunday readings the sessions will explore the reasons for food poverty and how we can address it locally and globally. The course will be workshop-style with plenty of discussion. Bookings can be made by email to [cathedral@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:cathedral@dioceseofnottingham.uk) or by telephone to 0115 953 9839 ext 7. More information is in the poster on the noticeboard.

**JOEL'S BAR 2023 – AN EASTER RETREAT FOR 16-28 YEAR OLDS:** Will be held between **Sunday 9th and Friday 14th April** at Worth Abbey. Tickets are now on sale for Joel's bar 2023, with bursary tickets available to those in financial difficulty. Visit [joelsbar](https://joelsbar.co.uk) on social media or [joelsbar.co.uk](https://joelsbar.co.uk) for more information.

**YOUTH 2000:** Is recruiting for two full-time roles: head of operations and safeguarding; and head of mission and partnerships. For more information about each role, and for recruitment packs, please see: [youth2000.org/jobs](https://youth2000.org/jobs) or for an informal conversation about either of the roles contact: [jade@youth2000.org](mailto:jade@youth2000.org)

**LIVING LAUDATO SI' - YOUR PARISH AND YOUR PLANET:** Is a weekend retreat on Zoom between Friday 17th and Tuesday **21st February**, organised by the Catholic environmental project Journey to 2030. It will be introduced by Bishop Patrick and led by Sister Margaret Atkins from Boarbank Hall in Cumbria. With sessions spaced over four days, the programme features talks and discussions on Zoom, and practical activities at home, on living the message of Laudato Si' in and through your parish. For further details visit <https://journeyto2030.org/events/>

**FINANCES:** Sunday, 29th January Envelopes £139.41 Loose £118.77 Standing Orders £ 149.00 **Total £407.18**  
Diocesan Quota £81.65 **Thank you for your generosity**

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