

Corpus Christi Church, Mass/Service Times 2nd August- 9th August 2026		
Date	Holy Mass/ Services	Other Events
Saturday 1st August EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	11.30am Baptism 5.30 pm Confessions 6.00 pm Mass: Isaac Clare Watts RIP	
Sunday 2nd August EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	10.30 am Mass: People of the Parish	
Monday 3rd August Feria	6.30 pm Adoration 7.00 pm Mass: For the Awakening Convention	
Tuesday 4th August Saint John Mary Vianney, priest (memorial)	9.00 am Mass: Anthony Louis Fernandes RIP	If you would like to donate, please scan the QR code
Thursday 6th August THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD (FEAST)	9.00 am Mass: Geraldine Goulding RIP	
Friday 7th August Feria	9.00 am Mass: Thomas Kanyirapallan RIP	
Saturday 8th August NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	11.30 am Baptism 5.30 pm Confessions 6.00 pm Mass: People of the Parish	
Sunday 9th August NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	10.30 am Mass: Private Intention	

Our Lady & St Patrick's, Mass/Service Times 2nd August- 9th August 2026		
Date	Holy Mass/ Services	Other Events
Sunday 2nd August EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.00 am Mass: Jasper Whitmarsh RIP	Coffee & Tea after morning Mass
Wednesday 5th August Feria	9.30 am Adoration and Benediction 10.00 am Mass: Souls in Purgatory	Tea morning for the Missions
Saturday 8th August Saint Dominic, priest (memorial)	9.30 am Confessions 10.00 am Foundation Mass: Nottingham St Patricks 12.30-5.00 pm Eritrean Church	
Sunday 9th August NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.00 am Mass: Linda Jane Browne 2.00-5.00 pm Syro-Malankara Church	Coffee & Tea after morning Mass



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Parish Newsletter Eighteenth Week of Ordinary Time
Corpus Christi, Southchurch Drive, Clifton and
Our Lady & St Patrick's, Launder Street, The Meadows
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[www.https://corpuschristiclifton.org.uk](https://corpuschristiclifton.org.uk)

The next Baptism Course for parents of both parishes wishing to baptise their child is on Saturday 12th September 2026 at Our Lady and St Patrick's Church, 10.30am –12.30 pm. Please complete an application form in advance and return to priest.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Programme for 2026–27

This year's Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) programme will begin in September. The RCIA is a journey of faith for adults who are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church, exploring Christianity, or preparing to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion. If you, or someone you know, would like to find out more about the Catholic faith or are considering becoming a Catholic, we warmly invite you to contact the parish office for further information either by email: secretaryccolsp@dioceseofnottingham.uk or telephone 0115 9212964. The sessions take place weekly during school term time.

Please pray for Hugh Francis Scullion of OLSP who has died recently. Mr Scullion's body will be brought into OLSP on Tuesday 25th August at midday followed by a funeral Mass on Wednesday 26th August at 12.30pm.

Golden Jubilee of SPANNED Our diocesan agency supporting people with additional needs (SPANNED) is 50 years old this year and will be marked by a Golden Jubilee Mass celebrated by Bishop Patrick at Saint Peter's Church, Hinckley, on Saturday 26th September at 2.00pm. All are very welcome to share this wonderful milestone. If you are contemplating coming please contact Father Frank Daly, on 01455 634443, or hinckleypriory@gmail.com by 31st August, to help with catering arrangements.

The National Conversation is a chance for everyone to contribute ideas about how to shape a more united future for England. It has been launched by the Independent Commission on Community and Cohesion. The Commission wants to hear from churches because it knows that we are on the front-line of community life. We see the pressures on families and young people, the impact of economic insecurity and cultural change, the tensions and misunderstandings between different groups — and the deep desire many people still have for belonging, meaning and hope. To engage, please email the parish secretary for the link.

Members of the Parents and Friends Association at St PATRICK'S Primary School are running the Robin Hood Half Marathon to raise funds for a new climbing frame for the school field. If you would like to join them in the Marathon, sign up online & let them know via pfa@st-patricks.nottingham.sch.uk. Please sponsor them at: <https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/st-patricks-catholic-primary-schoolfundraiser>



Volunteers needed to help with dusting, sweeping and general cleaning at Corpus Christi. If you have some spare time to help keep the church clean, please add your contact details to the list at the entrance to Corpus Christi. A couple of hours monthly would be most appreciated.

SCJ Sponsored Walk 2026

This year the Sacred Heart Fathers and Brothers are holding a walk in order to support the mission. This event will be on Saturday, 19th September 2026 at Droitwich Canal Walk. Your support plays a big role in helping the mission to grow. Many thanks for your support and generosity.

The Pope's monthly intention for August - For evangelization in the city. Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

Volunteers needed to help envisage a plan for constructing a church hall at Corpus Christi We would appreciate the input of anyone who is willing to discuss how we can bring this long-cherished project forward. Whether you were involved in previous discussions or whether you come to it afresh. Please let the parish priest or the secretary know of your interest.

Join the Caritas Workshop for everyone on Saturday 12th September at Holy Cross Priory, 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 (biographer of Pope Francis), the workshop runs from 10am until 3pm and will explore practical ways to listen, build relationships and be inspired towards mission. A donation of £20 is suggested to cover costs, though if this amount means you can't come, you are invited to give what you can. Any surplus will be donated to Caritas Nottingham. Book through at <https://bit.ly/synodalityleics>

The Here Now Us Group at Our Lady and St Patrick's are continuing to animate our Parish Community and take an active role within our support for the Diocesan Mission Plan. Please join us for a time of Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament taking place after the Saturday morning Mass until 12.30. This will take place on the First Saturday of the month.

Oppose Assisted Suicide. As you may have seen, the proposal to legalise assisted suicide which was rejected by the Lords in the last parliamentary session is returning to the Commons in exactly the same form on Friday 11th September. Our Bishops have asked us to oppose this legislation, on the grounds that it undermines respect for the innate value of life; that it could lead to vulnerable people feeling pressured into ending their lives; and that it risks putting many hospices and care homes in the position of no longer being able to operate. The Bishops have asked us to contact / write to our MPs once again, to express our opposition to this bill. They have provided materials to help us to do this on their website (www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide/). SPUC also offers advice on what to say to your MP ([SPUC.org.uk/Fight the Terminally Ill Adults \(End of Life\) Bill](http://SPUC.org.uk/Fight the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill)). There is only a short time before the bill is debated on 11th September. Please contact your MP as soon as possible.

Donating with Gift Aid? If you are an income tax payer, sign up for Gift Aid which adds 25% to your giving at no cost to you. This can be done through the contactless donation machine or by contacting the parish secretary—Tel 0115 921 2964 or email secretaryccolsp@dioceseofnottingham.uk

SAFEGUARDING REPS' contact details: CC- Sarah Heining: Sarah.HeiningPSR@dioceseofnottingham.uk & Emma Cupitt: Emma.CupittPSR@dioceseofnottingham.uk tel: 07513 725503; OLSP - Bernadette Davey & John Fryer tel: 07513 725557. Everyone who volunteers in our Churches should check whether they need a DBS check.

The Annual Birmingham Catholic Charismatic Renewal Conference takes place from Monday 10 to Friday 14 August 2026. This year our theme is: 'Return, Receive and Rejoice'. Everything I have is yours (Luke 15:31) The Conference venue is the St John's Hotel, Solihull. For more information please do visit the Conference website: www.bccrc.org.uk or contact Ray Russell Info@bccrc.org.uk. Delegates can either book in for the whole week or visit for the day. You can also speak with Br Andrew!

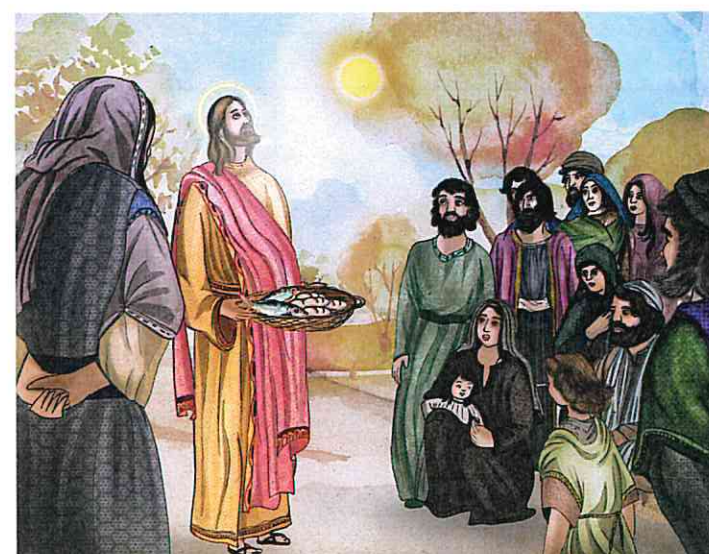
The Government's Great British Summer Savings Scheme takes place until 1st September, with a temporary reduction on VAT from 20% to 5% on children's meals in restaurants, children and family tickets to cinemas, theatres, concerts, exhibitions and a other attractions. In addition, there is to be free bus travel during August for children aged 5 to 15 in England. Full details at: <https://summersavings.gov.uk>

Supporting the Enabling Our Mission Campaign This weekend brings the Mission campaign to a close in our parishes. If you haven't been involved yet in the campaign, please consider making a pledge by completing the card which will be returned to the Diocese.

Hospitals: If you have a relative or friend who goes into QMC or City please inform the Chaplaincy Department, the ward or your priest and request a visit. QMC 0115 924 9924 ext 63799, City 0115 969 1169 or email: nuhnt.contactachaplain@nhs.net

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ANTIPHON AT THE ENTRY
O God, come to my assistance;
O Lord, make haste to help me!
You are my rescuer, my help;
O Lord, do not delay.

COLLECT
Draw near to your servants, O Lord,
and answer their prayers with unceasing kindness,
that, for those who glory in you as their Creator and guide,
you may restore what you have created
and keep safe what you have restored.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING
A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.
'Come and eat.' 55:1-3
Thus says the Lord: 'Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.
RESPONSORIAL PSALM
You open your hand and fulfil us, O Lord.

The LORD is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in mercy.
How good is the LORD to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. **R.**

The eyes of all look to you,
and you give them their food in due season.
You open your hand and satisfy
the desire of every living thing. **R.**

The LORD is just in all his ways,
and holy in all his deeds.
The LORD is close to all who call him,
who call on him in truth. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans.
'Nothing in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ.' 8:35, 37-39
Brothers and sisters: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia.
One does not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.
Alleluia.

GOSPEL.

The Lord be with you,
And with your Spirit,
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

'They all ate and were satisfied.' 14:13-21
At that time: When Jesus heard of the death of John the Baptist, he withdrew in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves.' But Jesus said, 'They need not go away; you give them something to eat.' They said to him, 'We have only five loaves here and two fish.' And he said, 'Bring them here to me.' Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Graciously sanctify these gifts, O Lord, we pray,
and, accepting the oblation of this spiritual sacrifice,
make of us an eternal offering to you.
Through Christ our Lord **Amen.**

ANTIPHON AT COMMUNION

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven,
endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Accompany with constant protection, O Lord,
those you renew with these heavenly gifts
and, in your never-failing care for them,
make them worthy of eternal redemption.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**