

Corpus Christi Church, Mass/Service Times 23rd August– 30th August 2026

Date	Holy Mass/ Services	Other Events
Saturday 22nd August TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	5.30 pm Confessions 6.00 pm Mass: Sharon Bryan RIP (4th anniversary)	If you would like to donate, please scan the QR code
Sunday 23rd August TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	10.30 am Mass: People of the Parish	
Monday 24th August SAINT BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE (FEAST)	6.30 pm Adoration 7.00 pm Mass: Varghese Antony RIP	
Tuesday 25th August Feria	9.00 am Mass: Hugh Francis Scullion RIP	
Thursday 27th August Saint Monica (memorial)	9.00 am Mass: Colin Davis RIP	
Friday 28th August Saint Augustine, bishop and doctor (memorial)	9.00 am Mass: Geraldine Allison RIP	
Saturday 29th August TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	11.30 am Baptism 5.30 pm Confessions 6.00 pm Mass: All Souls	
Sunday 30th August TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	10.30 am Mass: People of the Parish	

Our Lady & St Patrick's, Mass/Service Times 23rd August– 30th August 2026

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Sunday 23rd August TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.00 am Mass: Intentions of Mary Brown 5.00 pm Reception of body of Linda Jane Brown RIP	Coffee & Tea after the Mass
Monday 24th August	12.30 pm Funeral Mass of Linda Jane Brown	
Tuesday 25th August Feria	6.00 pm Reception of body of Hugh Francis Scullion RIP	
Wednesday 26th August Feria	9.30 am Adoration and Benediction 10.00 am Mass: Holy Souls in Purgatory 12.30 pm Funeral Mass of Hugh Francis Scullion RIP	SCJ Coffee & Tea after morning Mass
Saturday 29th August The Passion of Saint John the Baptist (memorial)	9.30 am Confessions 10.00 am Mass: Colin Davis RIP	
Sunday 30th August TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	9.00 am Mass: Isaac Osaikhuwomwan RIP	Coffee & Tea after morning Mass



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BETHARRAM

Parish Newsletter Twenty-First Week of Ordinary Time
Corpus Christi, Southchurch Drive, Clifton and
Our Lady & St Patrick's, Launder Street, The Meadows
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Fr Pitak, Brs Andrew and John are away on leave this week. Please speak to Fr Wilfred or the parish secretary if you need something urgently.

Thinking about becoming a Catholic?

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.

Please pray for Linda Jane Brown, Hugh Francis Scullion and Colin Davies of Our Lady and St Patrick's and Geraldine Allison of Corpus Christi who have died recently.

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Linda Jane Brown's funeral Mass will be at OLSP on Monday, 24th August at 12.30pm. Hugh Scullion's funeral mass will be at OLSP at 12.30pm on Wednesday 26th August, and Geraldine Allison's funeral Mass will be at Corpus Christi on Friday 4th September at 12pm.

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.

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.

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, use this link: [this is a special link for churches; other sectors have different links](#)). The survey should take around 10 minutes, and should be complete by the end of August.

SCJ Sponsored Walk 2026

The Sacred Heart Fathers and Brothers are holding a sponsored walk along Droitwich Canal on Sunday 19th September in order to support the mission. The clergy are collecting sponsorship pledges on the sheets at the church entrances. If you are a UK taxpayer and are able to gift aid your donation, please let the priest know. Many thanks for your support and generosity.

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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 are 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, 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.

The next Baptism Course for parents 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.

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.

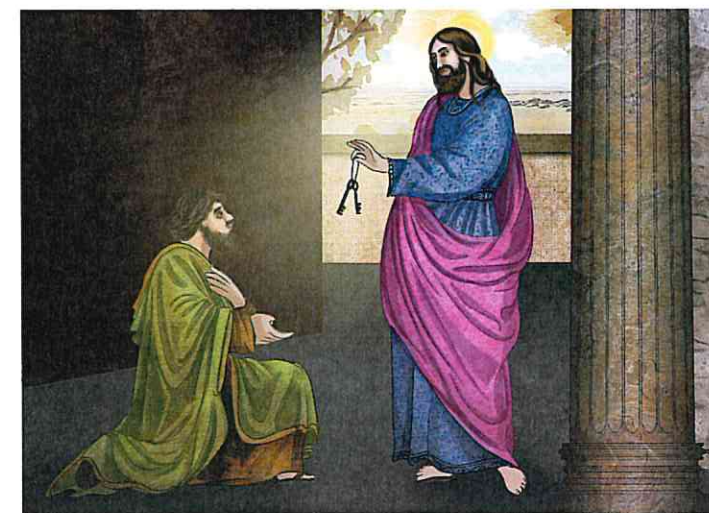
Catholic Marriage Care is looking for an Appointments Service Administrator who is able to work a minimum of 8 hours per week, taking enquiries from people seeking relationship counselling or marriage preparation. For more information please email: karen@marriagecare.org.uk

A Plainchant Workshop in Glossop, Saturday 12th September, 2pm to 3.45pm, free event, donations welcome. Plainchant, or plainsong, is an ancient and beautiful form of singing. Please bring a pen or a pencil, and water to drink: there will be plenty of opportunities to sing! Find details and book a place at tinyurl.com/plainchant-glossop

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

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.contactchaplain@nhs.net

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 LORD is high, yet he looks on the lowly, and the haughty he knows from afar. O LORD, your merciful love is eternal; discard not the work of your hands. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans. *'From him and through him and to him are all things.'*

11:33-36

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgements and how inscrutable his ways! 'For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counsellor?' 'Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?' For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory for ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia. You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. 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.

'You are Peter, and I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.'

16:13-20

At that time: When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter replied, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.' Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O Lord, who gained for yourself a people by adoption through the one sacrifice offered once for all, bestow graciously on us, we pray, the gifts of unity and peace in your Church. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Complete within us, O Lord, we pray, the healing work of your mercy and graciously perfect and sustain us, so that in all things we may please you. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

COLLECT

O God, who cause the minds of the faithful to unite in a single purpose, grant your people to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, amid the uncertainties of this world, our hearts may be fixed on that place where true gladness is found. 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.

'I will place on his shoulder the key of the house of David.'

22:15, 19-23

1^Thus says the Lord God of hosts, 'Come, go to this steward, to Shebna, who is over the household, and say to him: "I will thrust you from your office, and you will be pulled down from your station. In that day I will call my servant Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, and I will clothe him with your robe, and will bind your sash on him, and will commit your authority to his hand. And he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the house of Judah. And I will place on his shoulder the key of the house of David. He shall open, and none shall shut; and he shall shut, and none shall open. And I will fasten him like a peg in a secure place, and he will become a throne of honour to his father's house."'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps.138(137)

O LORD, your merciful love is eternal; discard not the work of your hands.

I thank you, LORD, with all my heart; you have heard the words of my mouth. In the presence of the angels I praise you. I bow down towards your holy Temple. **R.**

I give thanks to your name for your merciful love and your faithfulness. On the day I called, you answered me; you increased the strength of my soul. **R.**