Corpus Christi Church, Clifton Mass/Service Times 7th - 14th September 2025

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Date	Holy Mass/ Services	Other Events
Saturday 6th September 23rd Sunday of the Year	5.30 pm Confessions 6.00 pm Mass: People of the Parish	2nd Collection: Charitable Works of the Parish
Sunday 7th September 23rd Sunday of the Year	10.30 am Mass: Jackie Leek RIP - 4th Anniv. 12 noon: Baptism of Esther Horspool	2nd Collection: Charitable Works of the Parish
Monday 8th September The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Feast)	6.30 pm Adoration 7.00 pm Mass: For the Soul of Annamma	
Tuesday 9th September Feria	9.00 am Mass: Brigitte Ramsay's Intentions	If you would like to make a donation, please scan the QR code & state CC Church
Wednesday 10th September Feria	7.00 pm Parish Finance Council at the Presbytery	回装货车间
Thursday 11th September Feria	9.00 am Mass: For the heavenly birthday (4th) Aliakutty George, Elamma Thomas 7.00 pm RCIA starts in Lady Chapel	
Friday 12th September Feria	9.00 am Mass: All Souls	
Saturday 13th September The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross	5.30 pm Confessions 6.00 pm Mass: Feliks & Betty Rychwalski RIP	
Sunday 14th September The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross	10.30 am Mass: People of the Parish	

Our Lady & St Patrick's, Meadows Mass/Service Times 7th - 14th September 2025



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Sunday 7th September 23rd Sunday of the Year	9.00 am Mass: Arthur Piper RIP 2nd Collection: Charitable Works of the Parish	Coffee & Tea after the morning Mass
Wednesday 10th September Feria	9.30 am Adoration 10.00 am Mass: Eric Butterworth RIP St Pat's Year 6 attending Mass	Coffee & Tea after the morning Mass.
Saturday 13th September Saint John Chrysostom, bishop & doctor (memorial)	9.30 am Confessions 10.00 am Mass: Thanksgiving (MC) 12.30 pm - 5.00 pm Eritrean Church	If you would like to make a donation, please scan the QR code above & state OLSP Church
Sunday 14th September The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross	9.00 am Mass: Martin Davey	Coffee & Tea after the morning Mass

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Please remember David Staves of OLSP Church who has died recently. His body will be brought into OLSP Church on Thursday, 18th September 2025 at 5 pm and his funeral will be on Friday, 19th September at 10 am. Please pray for him & his family.

Care of Creation This weekend at the start of all Masses, Mark Heining, Chair of the Joint Parish Pastoral Council will do a short (5-10 minutes) service of readings. So Mass will start a few minutes later than normal. The bidding prayers and hymns during this Season of Creation will have more emphasis on environment and climate change.

We welcome Sarah Piper, our new Parish Administrator who is taking over from Catherine Daly. Sarah will be working Monday, Wednesday & Friday in the Parish during office hours. We bid farewell to Catherine and thank her for all her hard work.

The First Holy Communion Programme for both Churches will be announced shortly.

The Parish Finance Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, 10th September 2025 at 7.00 pm in the Presbytery.

RCIA Programme Introduction Interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? It is open to anyone who is unbaptised, baptised in another denomination/faith or just interested in learning more about the Catholic faith. The RCIA is a journey of discovery, prayer, and community that leads to the Sacraments of Initiation - Baptism, Confirmation and the Holy Eucharist - usually celebrated at Easter. If you or someone you know is interested in knowing more, then the first session will be held this Thursday, 11th September 2025 at Corpus Christi Lady Chapel at 7 pm.

URGENT! Emmanuel House urgently need to restock their storerooms to ensure that hundreds of vulnerable people can access vital food. For more information, please see the list of foods needed (in foyer of both Churches) or go to their website emmanuelhouse.org.uk

Sacred Heart Fathers' Annual Sponsored Walk will take place this year in Nottingham on Saturday, 27th September 2025. Start time is 1.00 pm. Brother John will be asking for sponsorship after Masses this weekend. Everyone is welcome to come and take part. It is the same walk we did a few years' ago, starting at OLSP Church and walking along the River Trent to the Watersports Centre at Holme Pierrepoint. All funds raised will go to the SCJ Missions in India. Refreshments will be available in OLSP hall.

Alexandra Shelton-Bourke is running her first ever half-marathon on Sunday 28th September in support of Emmanuel House, a Nottingham-based charity supporting those who are homeless. To help raise funds, She is hosting a Brunch Fundraiser on Sunday 21st September, from 10:00am at Our Lady's & St. Patrick's. £2 per person will get a hot drink and your choice of a sausage or bacon roll (cash only)! There will be sweet treats for you to buy on the day! If you're able to donate any homemade sweet treats for the brunch, she'd be incredibly grateful. Please come along, enjoy some good food, and support a great cause. Please keep her in your prayers as she continues her training journey! https://www.justgiving.com/page/alexandra-shelton-bourke

Calling all university students if you are a Catholic student at NTU or UoN, come along to the Cathedral 6pm Sunday Mass on 14th September sign up to hear about Catholic chaplaincy activities and be part of the growing Catholic student community in Nottingham. Fr Joe - the university chaplain - will be at Mass on Sunday evening and there will be chance to meet up after Mass in the Cathedral Hall.

The next Baptism Course will take place on Saturday, 11th October 2025 at Corpus Christi Church and is open to all parents from both Parishes who wish to have their baby/child (up to 6 years of age) baptised. One parent must be a baptised Catholic & will be required to give proof of their own Baptism. The course will be from 9.30 am to 12 noon. If you would like to attend, you need to complete a Baptism Application form (available at the back of both Churches) and give it to Fr David after Mass. You will then be booked on to the course. Any queries, please contact the Parish Secretary.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for September 2025: For our relationship with all of creation. Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our inter-dependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

For many years Life Charity has worked nationally to support women in crisis pregnancies, by offering support and practical help to continue with their pregnancies. Here in Nottingham the Saint Colette's Pregnancy Support Centre works in close collaboration also to offer support to women who are pregnant in difficult circumstances. On Wednesday 10th September at 6.00pm a joint presentation will be given in Cathedral Hall, North Circus Street NG1 5AE, including light refreshments. If you would like to help with this important work in helping vulnerable women, or if you just want to know more, please come along! For more information contact pro-life@dioceseofnottingham.uk. This year's campaign of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion in Leicester, 40 Days for Life Leicester will be launched on Wednesday 10th September at 7.30pm with an evening event in Saint Edward's parish hall, 633 Aylestone Road LE2 6TF. The evening (with refreshments provided) will provide information about 40days for life - what it is, when and where the campaign is, and how it works. The next prayer vigil will run from 24th September until 2nd November. For more information visit: www.40daysforlife.com/leicester or email Maureen: leicester40daysforlife@gmail.com On Wednesday 17th September, 7.00pm-9.00pm, the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Peace will be showing the film, The Letter in Cathedral Hall, Nottingham, NG1 5AE. Inspired by Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si', this film invites us to reflect on our common home during this Season of Creation. Light refreshments will be provided, and for details contact david@csip-uk.co.uk

All Altar Servers are invited to the Diocesan Jubilee of Altar Servers, with Mass celebrated by Bishop Patrick in our Cathedral in Nottingham (Derby Road, NG1 5AE) on Saturday 27th September. Bring your alb/cassock and cotta, and arrive for 10.30am onwards, for Mass at 11.30am. Bring a packed lunch too, and enjoy a picnic in the Cathedral Hall and gardens. All are welcome!

To celebrate the amazing work of the wonderful Catechists who do so much in our diocese we will be having a Jubilee of Catechists Day. The day will include the celebration of Mass and a conference to help them in their ministry. There will be two keynote talks from Dr Mark Nash Director for the Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis, with workshops and time to mingle. The day will be held on Saturday 11th October at Saint Joseph's Church, Leicester, LE5 6SG; from 10.00am until 4.00pm, and will cost £10; please bring a packed lunch. More information can be found at https://bit.ly/CatechistJubilee or email formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk

The Diocese is seeking to recruit a Business Administration Assistant – IT and GDPR to support the work of the IT and GDPR Department supporting staff in the curia and parishes of the Diocese. The department comprises two staff who focus on delivering solutions using 365 Microsoft Ecosystem Apps and ensuring the highest standards of compliance and cybersecurity. Application forms are available at www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/careers and should be sent by 9am, Monday 15th September, to Christa Wardle office@dioceseofnottingham.uk

The Diocese is seeking to recruit an Adult Formation Officer, based at Saint Thomas More parish, Knighton, to coordinate and support opportunities in the parishes for the faith formation of adults, through the sacramental preparation programmes and other avenues. The role is for 10 hours per week, and more details are at www.careers/adult-formation-officer. Application forms are available at www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/careers and should be sent by 9am on Friday 10th October to Christa Wardle office@dioceseofnottingham.uk

The Mary Potter Heritage Centre is delighted to take part in this year's Heritage Open Days Festival. Visit the Centre at 32 Regent Street, Nottingham NG1 5BT, on Saturday 13th September, from 12.00 noon to 5.00pm. It's a wonderful opportunity to learn, discover and explore the life and mission of Venerable Mary Potter and The Little Company of Mary Sisters through interactive screens, quotations and artefacts.

Are you interested in training and volunteering as a Relationship Counsellor with Marriage Care? This Catholic organisation specialises in relationship support and is currently looking for those who would be interested in training via the Certificate in Relationship Counselling (CRC) course, and looking for volunteers for the marriage preparation service prior to the CRC selection. To find out more visit: www.marriagecare.org.uk or email: volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk

Communion to the Sick and Housebound, for House Blessings, for Marriage (six months' notice required), please contact the Parish office. Funerals: are organised with local funeral directors, but do contact the Parish office to arrange an appointment with the Priest.

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

7th SEPTEMBER 2025

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

COLLECT

O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption, look graciously upon your beloved sons and daughters, that those who believe in Christ may receive true freedom and an everlasting inheritance.

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 book of Wisdom.

Who can discern what the Lord wills?

What human being can learn the counsel of God? Or who can discern what the Lord wills? For the reasoning of mortals is worthless, and our designs are likely to fail, for a perishable body weighs down the soul, and this earthy tent burdens the mind full of thoughts. We can hardly guess at what is on earth, and what is at hand we find with labour; but who has traced out what is in the heavens? Who has learned your counsel, unless you have given wisdom and sent your holy spirit from on high? And thus the paths of those on earth were set right, and people were taught what pleases

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

O Lord, you have been our refuge, from generation to generation.

You turn man back to dust, and say, 'Return, O children of Adam.' To your eyes a thousand years are like yesterday, come and gone, or like a watch in the night. R.

You sweep them away like a dream, like grass which is fresh in the morning. In the morning it sprouts and is fresh; by evening it withers and fades. **R.**

Then teach us to number our days, that we may gain wisdom of heart. Turn back, O Lord! How long? Show pity to your servants. R.

At dawn, fill us with your merciful love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days.

Let the favour of the LORD our God be upon us; give success to the work of our hands.

O give success to the work of our hands.

R.

SECOND READING

A reading from the Letter of St Paul to Philemon. 'Any one who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my

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Beloved: I, Paul, an old man and now a prisoner also for Christ Jesus — I appeal to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I became in my imprisonment. I am sending him back to you, sending my very heart. I would have been glad to keep him with me, in order that he might serve me on your behalf during my imprisonment for the gospel, but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your goodness might not be by compulsion but of your own accord. For this perhaps is why he was parted from you for a while, that you might have him back for ever, no longer as a bondservant but more than a bondservant, as a beloved brother — especially to me, but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would receive

The word of the Lord, Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia. Let your face shine forth on your servant, and teach me your decrees. Alleluia.

GOSPEL

The Lord be with you. And with your Spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

None of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.

At that time: Great crowds accompanied Jesus, and he turned and said to them, 'If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother, and wife and children, and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, saying, "This man began to build and was not able to finish." Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Ps 90(89)

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O God, who give us the gift of true prayer and of peace, graciously grant that through this offering, we may do fitting homage to your divine majesty and, by partaking of the sacred mystery, we may be faithfully united in mind and heart. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant that your faithful, O Lord, whom you nourish and endow with life through the food of your Word and heavenly Sacrament, may so benefit from your beloved Son's great gifts that we may merit an eternal share in his life. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.