



Welcome to the Catholic Parish of Southwell and Calverton

Our Lady of Victories, Southwell and Saint Anthony, Calverton

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22nd and 23rd August 2020 : Twenty-first Sunday of the Year

Last Sunday we celebrated the Assumption of Our Lady into heaven, and this Saturday is the celebration of Our Lady crowned as Queen of heaven and the glory of the saints. This feast is also remembered in the fifth glorious mystery of the Rosary, and represents the end of salvation history, when God brings all good things together in heaven. This reflection from Saint Amadeus of Lausanne (1110-1159) shows the vital role Mary plays in helping to bring all things together.

Observe how fitting it was that even before her assumption the name of Mary shone forth wondrously throughout the world. Her fame spread everywhere even before she was raised above the heavens in her magnificence. Because of the honour due her Son, it was indeed fitting for the Virgin Mother to have first ruled upon earth and then be raised up to heaven in glory. It was fitting that her fame be spread in this world below, so that she might enter the heights of heaven on overwhelming blessedness. Just as she was borne from virtue to virtue by the Spirit of the Lord, she was transported from earthly renown to heavenly brightness.

So it was that she began to taste the fruits of her future reign while still in the flesh. At one



moment she withdrew to God in ecstasy; at the next she would bend down to her neighbours with indescribable love. In heaven angels served her, while here on earth she was venerated by the service of men. Gabriel and the angels waited upon her in heaven. The virgin John, rejoicing that the Virgin Mother was entrusted to him at the cross, cared for her with the other apostles here below. The angels rejoiced to see their queen; the apostles rejoiced to see their lady, and both obeyed her with loving devotion.

Dwelling in the loftiest citadel of virtue, like a sea of divine grace or an unfathomable source of love that has everywhere overflowed its banks, she poured forth her bountiful waters on trusting and thirsting souls. Able to preserve both flesh and spirit from death she bestowed health-giving salve on bodies and souls. Has anyone ever come away from her troubled or saddened or ignorant of the heavenly mysteries? Who has not returned to everyday life gladdened and joyful because his request had been granted by the Mother of God?

She is a bride, so gentle and affectionate, and the mother of the only true bridegroom. In her abundant goodness she has channelled the spring of reason's garden, the well of living and life-giving waters that pour forth in a rushing stream from divine Lebanon and flow down from Mount Zion until they surround the shores of every far-flung nation. With divine assistance she has redirected these waters and made them into streams of peace and pools of grace. Therefore, when the Virgin of virgins was led forth by God and her Son, the King of kings, amid the company of exulting angels and rejoicing archangels, with the heavens ringing with praise, the prophecy of the psalmist was fulfilled, in which he said to the Lord:

At your right hand stands the queen, clothed in gold of Ophir.

More thanks to parishioners

I missed some parishioners in last week's thanks message, who have helped in keeping our churches in good order during the lockdown. Many (and belated) thanks to Bernadette, Jim and Kath who have done sterling gardening work at Saint Anthony's church.

Father Simon

Pope's Prayer Intention for August

The Maritime World We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

Welcome back to Mass

Although Father Simon has been celebrating Mass every day during the lockdown, last Saturday and Sunday were the first time since 20th March that Masses have been celebrated publicly. It was a great joy to see parishioners gathering in our two churches, and to celebrate Mass together again. Some more parishioners have offered their services, and so it is hoped that we will continue celebrating public Masses each week as follows:

**Our Lady of Victories church, Southwell, on Saturdays at 6.00pm,
Saint Anthony's church, Calverton, on Sundays at 10.45am.**

All are more than welcome to come back to church, even though the Sunday Obligation to attend Mass is still suspended by the Bishops of England and Wales, and so attendance is currently optional. For those parishioners who would like to come to Mass, it's necessary to book a place since the capacity of each church is reduced to allow for socially-distanced seating.

To book a place telephone Kathleen and Robert Dixon on 01636 813874, at any reasonable time from Monday morning until Friday evening; if there's no reply leave a message, with your name and number, and they'll return your call. Please note:

- ✘ A place needs to be booked for each individual who plans to attend;
- ✘ You'll be asked to provide a telephone number, to be passed onto Public Health England if needed as part of the 'Test and Trace' system. Providing your telephone number is voluntary, and you can come to Mass without doing so;
- ✘ For Sunday Masses bookings can be made only during the preceding week, from Monday morning, until Friday evening, running up to the Sunday Mass booked.

What to expect when coming to Mass

In order to comply with the Bishop's guidelines on celebrating Masses in the covid-19 period there'll be some differences in that way we come to Mass and the way Mass is celebrated. These will be outlined when you book for Mass, and when you arrive at church. If you haven't booked to come to Mass please don't simply turn up: unfortunately you won't be allowed to enter. Please follow these directions, and recognise that those asking you to follow the directions are volunteers themselves:

- ✘ Please don't attend if you show any symptoms of covid-19;
- ✘ Try to arrive no earlier than half an hour before Mass, and no later than ten minutes before Mass, to allow time for each person to enter one-by-one;
- ✘ Even if you arrive on foot, enter via the car park and follow the one-way signs,

waiting by the 2 metre markers in front of the church door if others have arrived before you;

- ✘ Entry will be via the main door of the church;
- ✘ Ensure you bring a mask to wear throughout the time in church, except when receiving Holy Communion;
- ✘ Please use the hand-sanitiser (provided) on arrival;
- ✘ Please take one of the Mass Sheets, and a Newsletter, and take them home with you after Mass;
- ✘ Put your weekly offering into the basket in the narthex;
- ✘ There won't be any holy water available, the repository will be closed, and there are no Catholic papers currently available;
- ✘ Please sit on the seat to which you are directed, following the (marked) one-way system. Seating will be from the front of church first, and parishioners will be seated at two-metre intervals (in Southwell it might be possible to seat couples next to each other, and families in a single pew; in Calverton the chairs have been laid out singularly, and so each person, except for babes-in-arms, will be at a two-metre distance from the next person);
- ✘ Please avoid any contact with other parishioners; please don't speak before Mass unless necessary;
- ✘ Only the disabled toilet will be available for use, and only if absolutely necessary. If you do use the toilet, please do so before you are seated, and then go to your seat (in Southwell, by exiting the church hall lobby, walking around the side of the church, and re-entering the church through the main door, following the one-way system);
- ✘ Windows and doors will be open to enable as much ventilation as possible;
- ✘ The Mass Sheet will explain the changes in the way Mass is celebrated, please ensure you read it before Mass, and follow the directions during Mass. In particular:
 - There will be no congregational singing;
 - Responses will be made with quiet voices;
 - There will be no ministries (eg altar servers, readers) during Mass;
 - There will be no sign of peace;
 - Holy Communion will be distributed immediately following Mass;
- ✘ After Mass you will be invited to receive Holy Communion; please then leave the church following the one-way system, out into the car park (in Southwell, through the parish hall lobby) and please leave immediately.

If you have difficulties with these instructions please contact Father Simon directly.

Ways to continue to participate in the life of the Church

The **readings and prayers for Mass** each day can be found here:

- <https://universalis.com/europe.England.nottingham/mass.htm>

Daily Mass is broadcast from our Cathedral in Nottingham at the following times:

- Sundays and Saturdays: 10am
- Weekdays: 1pm

The link to the televised Mass is here:

- http://www.stbarnabascathedral.org.uk/01_Community/livestream.html

Daily Mass is broadcast from the National Shrine and Minor Basilica of Our Lady in Walsingham each day at 12 noon:

- <http://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream>

Sunday Mass, celebrated by Bishop Patrick, will be broadcast from his chapel at Bishop's House each Sunday at 10am:

- www.youtube.com/channel/UCaf7upUMsn3KI8GD79FotjQ/featured?fbclid=IwAR1JRpqkdO0rHZY98bsnSC_N9TKbvSKXv0L5bT4yVCcMTHaVmAwaW4g-rAk

Resources for children and young people can be found via the Nottingham Diocesan Catholic Youth Service's (NDCYS) website:

- <https://ndcys.com>

There are ideas for **children's liturgy** on Cafod's website:

- <https://cafod.org.uk/Education/Children-s-liturgy>

A Spiritual Communion

Spiritual Communion is the heartfelt desire to receive Our Lord, even when we are unable to do so. If you are live-streaming the Mass, or praying the texts of the Mass, when it comes to the time for receiving Holy Communion pray instead the prayer:

From Saint Alphonsus Liguori:

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as being already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Prayer during the Coronavirus Pandemic

O Mary,
you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.
We entrust ourselves to you,
Health of the Sick.
At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith.
You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need.
We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee,
joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.
Help us, Mother of Divine Love,
to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us:
He who took our sufferings upon Himself,
and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross,
to the joy of the Resurrection.
Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.
Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test
and deliver us from every danger,
O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

A Prayer to my Guardian Angel when I can't get to Mass

Dear Guardian Angel,
go for me to the church, there kneel down at Mass for me.
At the Offertory, take me to God, and offer him my service:
what I am, what I have, offer as my gift.
At the Consecration, with your seraphic strength,
adore my Saviour truly present,
praying for those who have loved me, for those who have offended me,
and for those now deceased, that the blood of Jesus may purify them all.
During Holy Communion, bring to me the Body and Blood of Jesus
uniting him with me in spirit, so that my heart may become his dwelling place.
Plead with him, that through his sacrifice
all people throughout the world may be saved.
When the Mass ends,
bring home to me and to every home, the Lord's blessing. Amen.

Prayer for the Year of the Word

Living God, you walk alongside us and speak to us throughout the Scriptures. Your Son, Jesus Christ, listens to our hopes and fears and shows us how to live for one another. Send us the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds so that we may be your witnesses throughout the world. Amen.



V. Your word is our path and your truth is our light.
R. This day and every day.

Our Lady of the Annunciation : Pray for us.
Saint Matthew : Pray for us. Saint Jerome : Pray for us.

The Year of the Word : The Bible and Music

Last Sunday we had some suggestions of pieces of classical music to consider how to unlock the treasures of the Bible, and this Sunday there are some pieces of more contemporary music. Each of these suggestions, week by week, helps us to find alternative ways to appreciate the riches of the Bible, as well as simply reading its pages. Not every method appeals to everyone, so choose those you find useful. If you've missed any of the suggestions check the newsletter archive on the parish website. As Saint Jerome reminds us, ignorance of Sacred Scripture is ignorance of God, and so we have as many ways of coming to know God as there are people ...

Bernadette Farrell

hymnary.org/person/Farrell_B ocp.org/en-us/artists/1092/bernadette-farrell

Matt Redman

www.worshiptogether.com/worship-leaders/matt-redman/
www.weareworship.com/uk/worship-leaders/matt-redman/

Jo Boyce

<https://www.cjmmusic.com/>

Margaret Rizza

www.margaretrizza.com/ - both tradition and modern

50 best hymns

www.youtube.com/watch?v=fOB73qRVGJs
www.youtube.com/watch?v=eVmlq_njEJO

Alone with God – Peaceful Music

www.youtube.com/watch?v=qeYeogg4LXk

Cancel the Debt! Coronavirus is causing devastation right across the world. Many of the world's poorest nations are not only dealing with this health emergency but also facing unimaginable financial hardship as a result of the global economic slow-down. Many countries are being plunged into a new debt crisis as they respond to the threat of the virus while managing spiralling debt payments. If these payments were cancelled money could be diverted to fund vital healthcare and help countries to recover and rebuild from the crisis. The World Bank and IMF will gather in October for their Annual Meeting. The UK is a powerful shareholder in both, and has an important role to play in ensuring these global institutions act fast to avoid the pandemic causing lasting damage to the world's poorest peoples. As they gather CAFOD will be ready, presenting them with the faces of thousands of people from all over the world saying it is time to #CancelTheDebt.

You can support the campaign by:

- ✘ Taking a selfie creatively displaying the words "Cancel the Debt" with, if possible, a local image or town sign in the background. Share the image on Twitter, Facebook or Instagram with the hashtag #CancelTheDebt and tag @cafod. Alternatively send the photo to campaign.writer@cafod.org.uk
- ✘ Sign the petition to the Prime Minister at cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Latest-campaigns
- ✘ Join the on-line talk about how the debt crisis is affecting the Global South on Thursday 17th September from 6.00pm. Sign up at cafod.org.uk/debtinjustice

Prayers for the Season of Creation Inspired by Laudato Si', Pope Francis has established 1st September as *The World Day of Prayer for Care of Creation*, encouraging the Catholic Community around the world to pray for our common home. The World Day of Prayer falls at the beginning of Creation Time, running until 4th October, the Feast of St Francis of Assisi. To mark Creation Time join CAFOD in using the Novena to Saint Francis – nine brief reflections asking Saint Francis to pray for us and our world based on the Canticle of the Sun. See cafod.org.uk/novena

Coronavirus Emergency Appeal CAFOD has joined with the UK Disasters Emergencies Committee to help millions of people whose lives are at risk, as coronavirus spreads across refugee camps and countries suffering conflict. You can donate at cafod.org.uk/coronavirus to help CAFOD scale up its coronavirus response through our global Church family. Or use CAFOD's Summer of Hope fundraising ideas with your family and friends to transform lockdown and raise money for the appeal: cafod.org.uk/summerofhope

Fairtrade News



With 2020 set to be the hottest year on record, it's more important than ever that the global Fairtrade community stands together to face the challenges of our rapidly changing climate. Without fairer prices, farmers and workers who are already fighting the impacts of climate breakdown are unable to adapt and invest in making their farms sustainable. At Fairtrade, we know that when many voices call in unison, they can be a powerful force for change.

That is why we are part of the Climate Coalition (a UK-wide group of charities, businesses and campaign groups pushing for action on climate change). This summer, the Climate Coalition are calling on local community groups to sign a declaration announcing their support for action on climate change. We thought Fairtrade communities would be keen to get involved! This is the perfect time to share your own commitment to supporting farmers and workers on the front line of the climate crisis by raising awareness on the links between trade justice and climate justice.

Over the coming months, we will be sharing more resources to support people on talking about Fairtrade and the climate crisis, as well as joining the coalition to call for international commitments to a green and fair recovery from the coronavirus pandemic, ahead of the UK's hosting of the COP26 UN climate summit next year. In the meantime, join others across the UK in becoming part of the change we need by signing the declaration at this link: <https://thetimeisnow.uk>

Financial Support of our Parish

Father Simon celebrates Mass each day; if you wish to have a Mass offered for an intention put a Mass envelope through the presbytery letterbox, or email Father Simon directly. The Mass intentions are published in the newsletter, and although there's been a bit of a backlog, dates are now plentiful, and almost all the requested Masses have now been celebrated.

Since there are no Sunday collections sincere thanks to those parishioners who have set-up standing orders. If you've able to set one up the details are:

- Account name: **Our Lady of Victories Southwell RCP**
- Sort Code: **30-67-76**
- Account number: **45368360**

Many thanks to all our parishioners for your continuing generosity!

Event Postponed

Due to the recent challenges of lockdown in Leicester LACY has decided to reschedule the celebration of **A Moment With Mary** to Sunday 4th October at 4.00pm. Full details will follow nearer the time, but save the date now!

From Missio



The last few months have been especially tough for missionaries overseas and the Catholic communities they serve. Churches in areas of poverty and oppression have

been particularly hard hit by the Covid-19 pandemic and the lockdown. The Holy Father's Covid Emergency Appeal, coordinated by Missio, has raised over £250,000 in England & Wales and has provided immediate and effective relief to those in need in Kenya, Sri Lanka, Myanmar, Malawi, Ethiopia, and through the Mill Hill Missionaries in Cameroon, India, Philippines, South Sudan and Pakistan.

During this difficult time for us all, we have made every effort to keep in touch with our 2,500 parish volunteers. Many have been concerned about not being able to collect and empty the Red Boxes. To help them we have put in place some alternative ways to give including through a dedicated donation page at www.missio.org.uk/redbox To learn more about the difference Missio is making through prayer and charity please see our Impact Report, available on-line missio.org.uk/mission-today or ringing 020 7821 9755.

Thank you for your ongoing support and encouragement! *Father Anthony Chantry*

Accommodation Required

The Anglican diocese of Southwell and Nottingham has a young man who is going to start an internship with the Young Leadership College at the church of Saint John in Mansfield, but is struggling to find anywhere for him to live. Ideally, the diocese would love to find a family in the region who would consider having him as a lodger, and wonder whether anyone in the Southwell area would consider helping with this. For more details or information please contact Duncan Dean on 07585 800057 or via email at duncan.dean@southwell.anglican.org

Masses and Services this week

Saturday 22nd August

No morning Mass

S 6.00pm Mass

Sunday 23rd August

C 10.45am Mass

Monday 24th August

Mass

Tuesday 25th August

Mass

Wednesday 26th August

Mass

Thursday 27th August

Mass

Friday 28th August

Mass

Saturday 29th August

No morning Mass

S 6.00pm Mass

Sunday 30th August

C 10.45am Mass

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Twenty-first Sunday of the Year

Pro Populo (people of the parish)

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Feast of Saint Bartholomew, apostle

Pam Poyser RIP

Feria

Rev Deacon James and Anna Anthony – intentions

Feria

Private Intention (MB)

Memorial of Saint Monica

Donor's intentions

Memorial of Saint Augustine of Hippo, doctor

Robert and Kathleen Dixon – wedding anniversary

Memorial of the Passion of Saint John the Baptist

Twenty-second Sunday of the Year

Barbara Pearson RIP and Tom Sills RIP

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Pro Populo (people of the parish)

Readings at Masses this week

Sunday Isaiah 22:19-23; Psalm 137(138):1-3.6.8; Romans 11:33-36;
Matthew 16:13-20

Monday Apocalypse 21:9-14; Psalm 144(145):10-13a.17-18; John 1:45-51

Tuesday 2 Thessalonians 2:1-3.14-17; Psalm 95(96):10-13; Matthew 23:23-26

Wednesday 2 Thessalonians 3:6-10.16-18; Psalm 127(128):1-2.4-5;
Matthew 23:27-32

Thursday 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; Psalm 144(145):2-7; Matthew 24:42-51

Friday 1 Corinthians 1:17-25; Psalm 32(33):1-2.4-5.10-11; Matthew 25:1-13

Saturday 1 Corinthians 1:26-31; Psalm 32(33):12-13.18-21; Mark 6:17-29