



Welcome to the Catholic Parish of Southwell and Calverton

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## 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> November 2020 : Thirty-Second Sunday of the Year Remembrance Sunday

*Father Michael Fava, of the Catholic Bishopric for the Forces, writes:*

Anniversaries are important, happy or sad. Remembrance, around 11 November, is such an anniversary: a time to remember our war dead. The Forces and the nation pay homage to the dead – and also to the living, those serving and the retired. We give thanks for their sacrifices and recall those who are bereaved. Wearing poppies and the two-minute silence sees us acknowledge human suffering and how many lives have changed forever. Through injuries, and in so many other ways, a heavy price has been paid in physical and emotional hardship. The Forces, their families, retired and wounded veterans are a community familiar with paying a price in order to uphold the security of the nation. The deaths of our generation link us in a chain of sacrifice to earlier generations who suffered before ours. Sufferings past and present teach us respect for the human spirit, which is so resilient. Our recent casualties, thankfully, have many to mourn them but helpfully the humble poppy enables us to focus on the unknown names of long ago whose sacrifice is known only to God. It's really important that, despite the passing of years, sacrifice isn't forgotten. By remembering, I believe we become more humane people – thankful for the sacrifices of our dead and those still living. Thankfulness shows humanity at its best alongside selflessness, courage, hope and many other virtues. Thankfulness lies at the heart of Christian faith. Thankfulness and hope account for how people manage to face the worst that life can throw at them and carry on. So at this time of Remembrance, I believe we are renewed in our humanity, renewed by remembering what war does to human beings. Something as simple as saying thank you – as simple as the poppy – connects us again with the preciousness and the fragility of life.

**They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:  
age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,  
we will remember them.**



## Closure of churches for Public Worship

*On Thursday Bishop Patrick sent this message to all the parishes in our diocese:*

On Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November Parliament passed into law The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) (No. 4) Regulations 2020. These are in force from Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November until Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2020. As well as the Regulations, the Government has updated its Guidance 2 for the safe use of places of worship to reflect current circumstances.

The Regulations preclude gatherings for communal worship, including the celebration of Mass, baptisms and most weddings. However, it is important to stress that this does not represent a return to the previous lockdown earlier in the year. In these Regulations, places of worship are permitted to open for certain purposes, and to attend a place of worship is listed as a reasonable excuse to leave home.

The purposes for which a place of worship may remain open are listed in Paragraph 18(8) of the Regulations. Most notably, the Regulations allow places of worship to remain open for “individual prayer” which is defined as “prayer by individuals which does not form part of communal worship.” It is important that a generous provision is made to open our churches for substantial amounts of time. Priests are encouraged to maintain a presence in their open churches, making themselves available to talk with those who attend for individual prayer.

Churches may be used for Mass and other services to be streamed, without a congregation present. Musicians and singers may participate in online services, as long as they usually form part of the service that is being broadcast and are essential to its delivery.

Churches are permitted to continue to be open to offer support and charitable outreach, including the provision of food banks or other support for the homeless or the vulnerable. It is so important that this response to the pandemic, which has been such a significant part of parish life over these past months in so many places, continues and develops.

Funeral Masses and funeral services may continue to be celebrated, with an attendance of up to 30 people (not including those who are required for the celebration). Weddings are only permitted when one of those getting married is seriously ill and is not expected to recover. Such weddings are limited to six people excluding the priest or deacon celebrant.

It is important that the routines of cleanliness, stewarding and social distancing to which we have become accustomed, and which have made our churches places of real covid security, are maintained. Face coverings should continue to be worn in

churches, unless individuals are exempt. The maximum number of people allowed in a church for prayer will be determined by its size, seating arrangements and the requirements for social distancing.

In the light of the broad aim to minimise gatherings of those from different households, and to focus resources on keeping churches open for individual prayer, it is recommended that catechism classes and sacramental preparation sessions are suspended, or held online, whilst these Regulations are in force.

Clergy and parishioners are encouraged to read the Regulations and Guidance and make mature judgments about how best they are to be applied in particular contexts. Some priests may have heightened vulnerability owing to age or medical condition: in making their judgements, they should consider their own circumstances and wellbeing, as well as the safety of others.

These days are not easy, but during the time the Regulations are in force it is vital that the best and effective use of our churches is made, for the good of the faithful and wider society.

Within our own circumstance of two churches, in Calverton and Southwell, we might consider what is prudent to do over this four-week period. Neither church has permission to be open as a place of private prayer, since when we reopened the churches in August we sought permission simply to open for Mass; should we now wish to open for private prayer there would be a need to prepare further risk assessments, etc, although some of the material previously prepared could be adapted. Whenever the churches are open for private prayer there is a need to have them cleaned before and after, and to have stewards on duty during the times the churches are open. As the Bishop has written, there is clearly a desire to have our churches open, however this would entail quite a bit of work from our parishioners.

In determining what to do it would be helpful to know from parishioners their thoughts and suggestions. In particular:

- From amongst the current cleaners, who might be available to clean the church(es), and when during the week?
- From amongst the current volunteer stewards, who might be available to steward our church(es), and at what times in the week?
- From parishioners, would you wish either or both churches to be open? If so, which church and at what times during the week?

Whilst it would be good to have our churches open over the next four weeks for private prayer, there could be a lot of effort expended for very few visitors. Please let me know directly what you think.

*Father Simon*

## Access to a Priest or the Sacraments

During these days when our Catholic churches throughout the country can't be used for public worship Mass is still celebrated (privately) every day for the intentions of all the parishioners of Southwell and Calverton, and for the specific intentions you have requested. If you need to contact Father Simon, please get in touch.

As instructed by Bishop Patrick on 5<sup>th</sup> November, public religious celebrations are not taking place for the time being. **Funeral Services** and **Requiem Masses** can still be held, in church or at the cemetery or crematorium.

If you or someone you know wishes to be anointed with the **Sacrament of the Sick** please speak with Father Simon.

Likewise, if you or someone you know wishes to celebrate the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** (Confession) this can be arranged directly with Father Simon.

## 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](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](http://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.

## From the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales

Today (Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November) Parliament passed into law the Regulations governing many aspects of activity in the whole of England until **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December**.

These Regulations prohibit the gathering of people for communal worship in churches and other religious buildings.

Churches remain open and in use for activities other than communal worship, including personal prayer and support for those in need. Funeral Masses and funeral services may be held. Please refer to the Regulations (for places of worship see paragraph 18) and associated Guidance.

Despite profound misgivings it is important that we, as responsible citizens, observe these Regulations, which have the force of law: ***'Remind them to be obedient to the officials in authority; to be ready to do good at every opportunity' (Titus 3:1)***. We do this in solidarity with so many others on whom are being imposed restrictions which impact severely on their lives and livelihoods.

It is also important to recognise that these Regulations are not an attack on religious belief. However, they do demonstrate a fundamental lack of understanding of the essential contribution made by faith communities to the well-being, resilience and health of our society.

At this difficult moment, we ask that, as a Catholic community, we make full use of our churches as places of individual prayer and sources of solace and help.

### **Daily Prayer**

We must sustain each other in our patterns of prayer, joining a national shared moment of prayer ***each day at 6pm***, and observing the **Vigil of Christ the King** (21<sup>st</sup> November) as a day of prayer for the ending of this pandemic. And we encourage you all in your practical service and support of each other and those around you in need.

This pathway of prayer and service is the royal road we are to take as a gracious witness in our society today.

**Vincent Cardinal Nichols**

Archbishop of Westminster; President

**Malcolm McMahon OP**

Archbishop of Liverpool, Vice-President



## 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.

## Pope's Prayer Intentions for November

**Artificial Intelligence** We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

## Parish Newsletter by email

If you'd like to receive the parish newsletter by email simply email Father Simon at [simon.gillespie@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:simon.gillespie@dioceseofnottingham.uk), asking to be added. It's necessary to have parishioners' consent to send the newsletter, and other messages, via email.

Likewise if you haven't filled in a parish census form please consider doing so. The form can be found on the forms tab of the parish website.

## Financial Support of our Parish

Following the parish financial update published in the parish newsletter a fortnight ago, thank you to those parishioners who have set-up standing orders, or increased their current ones. If you've not done so, please consider what you can give. Our parish is projected to make a loss of almost £25,000 this year, due to the loss of almost all our parish hall bookings and the reduction in weekly collection income. If you've able to set up a standing order, 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!**

## Together we are Caritas

**Building social action in the Diocese of Nottingham** - Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November by Zoom (with a telephone option). Nottingham Diocese is joining Caritas, the Church's worldwide



**Together, we are Caritas**  
Join us to build Catholic social action across the Diocese of Nottingham  
**Saturday 7 November 2020**  
By Zoom or telephone  
[dioceseofnottingham.uk/faithintoaction](http://dioceseofnottingham.uk/faithintoaction)

ministry of charity. Soon our parish will be part of one of the biggest humanitarian organisations on the planet – and you are invited to be part of it. Join Bishop Patrick, Caritas Social Action Network, the diocesan Justice and Peace Commission and Catholics from all round our diocese. In two 90-minute online sessions at 11.00am and 1.30pm we'll take practical steps, in parishes and chaplaincies across the diocese, to bring the Gospel to life, locally and globally. For details and booking visit [dioceseofnottingham.uk/faithintoaction](http://dioceseofnottingham.uk/faithintoaction) or call 07470 907656 for information.

## Leicestershire Active Catholic Youth

LACY is planning to celebrate the Feast of Christ the Universal King at 6.30pm on **22<sup>nd</sup> November, National Youth Sunday**. This year the theme is "Together" and it would be great if as many young people as possible would like to join us via Zoom for an uplifting Young People's Liturgy, supported by Father Simon Gillespie, hosted by LACY and led by young people. Our challenge for Christmas is to raise some funds for "Menphys" and all information regarding this will be given out at our Christ the King Celebration with suggestions for "fundraising from home". "Together" we can share Faith and Fun and as we follow Jesus know that "He is the greatest King of all!" Want to get involved? Email LACY at [paulinepayne@hotmail.com](mailto:paulinepayne@hotmail.com) for more information. Nearer the time an ID and password will be sent out to you for linking into our Zoom get together. Please note that all people under the age of 18 years must be accompanied by an adult when linking in.

## What did the Pope actually say about same-sex civil partnerships?

In the last few days, some statements contained in the documentary Francesco by the director Evgeny Afineevsky have given rise to various reactions and interpretations. Below are some points from the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales to help people understand correctly what the Holy Father said.

In an interview he gave more than a year ago, Pope Francis answered two

separate questions at different times, but they have been edited and published as a single answer, without being put into context in the way they should have been, and this has created confusion. In the first place, the Holy Father had made a pastoral reference to the need for homosexually oriented sons or daughters not to suffer discrimination within their own families. That is what these words refer to: 'Las personas homosexuales tienen derecho a estar en familia. No se puede echar de la familia a nadie ni hacerle la vida imposible por eso' (*Homosexual persons have a right to be part of a family. You cannot throw someone out of the family or make his or her life impossible for that*).

The following section from the Post-Synodal Exhortation *Amoris Lætitia* on the family can shed some light on these expressions: 'During the Synod, we discussed the situation of families whose members include persons who experience same-sex attraction, a situation not easy either for parents or for children. We would like before all else to reaffirm that every person, regardless of sexual orientation, ought to be respected in his or her dignity and treated with consideration, while 'every sign of unjust discrimination' is to be carefully avoided, particularly any form of aggression and violence. Such families should be given respectful pastoral guidance, so that those who manifest a homosexual orientation can receive the assistance they need to understand and fully carry out God's will in their lives' (§ 250).

A later question in the interview was related to a local law ten years ago in Argentina on 'matrimonios igualitarios de parejas del mismo sexo' (*equal marriages of same-sex couples*) and the then Archbishop of Buenos Aires' opposition to it. Pope Francis said about this that 'es una incongruencia hablar de matrimonio homosexual' (*it is inconsistent to speak of homosexual marriage*) and he added that, in precisely this context, he had spoken about these people's right to be covered legally: 'lo que tenemos que hacer es una ley de convivencia civil; tienen derecho a estar cubiertos legalmente. Yo defendí eso' (*what we need to have is a law of civil partnership; they have a right to be covered by the law. I defended that*).

The Holy Father said this in an interview in 2014: 'Marriage is between a man and a woman. Secular states want to justify civil unions to regulate different situations of people who live together, driven by the need to regulate financial matters between persons, for example ensuring health care. It is about agreements on various kinds of living together, of which there are so many I would not be able to list them. We have to look at different cases and evaluate them in all their variety.' It is clear, therefore, that Pope Francis was referring to particular state arrangements, and certainly not to Church doctrine, which has been re-stated various times through the years.

## New Cardinals for the Church

At the end of October the Holy Father announced that he would create new Cardinals for the Church at a Consistory to be held on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November. The new Cardinals, drawn from around the world, are:

### **Bishop Mario Grech** (General Secretary of the Synod of Bishops)

Bishop Mario Grech was born in Qala Malta, in the Diocese of Gozo on 20 February 1957. He completed primary school, high school school in Gozo, followed by philosophical and theological studies at Gozo's seminary. After priestly ordination on 26 May 1984, he pursued higher studies in Rome and obtained a licentiate at the Lateran University and a Doctorate in Canon Law at the Angelicum. After returning to Malta, he exercised his ministry in the Cathedral of Gozo, in the National Shrine of Tà-Pinu, and was pastor of the parish in Kercem. He then carried out the office of Judicial Vicar of the Diocese, member of Malta's Metropolitan Tribunal, professor of Canon Law in the Seminary. He was also a member of the College of Consultors, the Presbyteral Council and other diocesan commissions. Pope Benedict XVI appointed him Bishop of Gozo on 26 November 2011 where he remained until 2 October 2019 when Pope Francis appointed him Pro-Secretary General of the Synod of Bishops, of which he became Secretary General on 15 September this year.

### **Bishop Marcello Semeraro** (Prefect of the Congregation for the Causes of Saints)

Bishop Semeraro was born in Lecce on 22 December 1947. He studied philosophy and theology at the Lateran University in Rome and received a Doctorate in Sacred Theology. He was appointed Bishop of Oria in 1998, Bishop of Albano in 2004. He was appointed the Secretary of the Council of Cardinals in 2013. This past 15 October, Pope Francis appointed him as Prefect of the Congregation for the Causes of Saints.

### **Archbishop Antoine Kambanda** (Archbishop di Kigali, Rwanda)

Archbishop Kambanda was born in the Archdiocese of Kigali in 1958 and was ordained a priest in 1990 by Pope John Paul II on the occasion of his pastoral visit to Rwanda. All of the members of his family were killed during the war in 1994, except one brother who lives in Italy. Since his ordination he has served in several academic, pastoral, and administrative roles, including: director of Caritas in the Diocese of Kigali; director of the Diocesan Commission on Justice and Peace; professor of Moral Theology in the Major Seminary of Nyakibanda, Butare; and spiritual director of the Major Seminary of Rutongo, Kigali. Beginning in 2006 he has served as rector of the Saint Charles of Nyakibanda Major Seminary in the Diocese of Butare. He was appointed Bishop of the Diocese of Kibungo on 7 May 2013 and was subsequently appointed Archbishop of Kigali on 19 November 2018.

### **Archbishop Wilton Daniel Gregory** (Archbishop of Washington DC, USA)

The archbishop-elect was born on 7 December 1947 in Chicago, Illinois, in the archdiocese of the same name, was ordained a priest on 9 May 1973 for the archdiocese of Chicago. He studied philosophy at Niles College and theology at Saint Mary of the Lake Seminary in Mundelein, Illinois, and holds a doctorate in liturgy from the Pontifical Athenaeum of Saint

Anselm in Rome (1980). After ordination, he held the following positions: parish vicar of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish at Glenview; student in Rome (1976-1979); professor of liturgy at the Saint Mary of the Lake Seminary in Mundelein, member of the archdiocesan Office for the Liturgy and master of ceremonies for Cardinals Cody and Bernardin (1980-1983). He was appointed titular bishop of Oliva and auxiliary of Chicago on 18 October 1983, and was consecrated the following 13 December. He was transferred to Belleville, Illinois, on 29 December 1993 and took possession of the see on 10 February 1994. He was appointed as metropolitan archbishop of Atlanta, Georgia, on 9 December 2004, and took office on 17 January 2005. On 4 April 2019, Pope Francis appointed him Archbishop of Washington, DC.

**Archbishop Jose Fuerte Advincula** (Archbishop of Capiz, Philippines)

Archbishop Advincula was born in Dumalag on 30 March 1952. He undertook philosophical studies at Saint Pius X Seminary in Roxas City before completing studies in theology at the University of Santo Tomas in Manila. He was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Capiz on 14 April 1976 and become spiritual director of the Saint Pius X Seminary as well as a Professor and Dean of Studies. He pursued higher studies in Psychology De la Salle University in Manila and Canon Law at the University of Santo Tomas and at the Angelicum in Rome. In 1995 he became Rector of Saint Pius X Seminary in Capiz, as well as Defender of the Bond, Promoter of Justice and Judicial Vicar of Capiz. In 1999 he became pastor of Saint Thomas Villanova in Dao. On 15 July 2001 he was appointed Bishop of San Carlos, and on 9 November 2011 was appointed Archbishop of Capiz. He has been a member of the Commission for the Doctrine of the Faith and of the Commission for Indigenous Populations.

**Archbishop Celestino Aós Braco, OFM Cap** (Archbishop of Santiago, Chile)

Mgr Celestino Aós Braco, OFM Cap was born in Artaiz, archdiocese of Pamplona, Spain, on 6 April 1945. He carried out his philosophical studies in Zaragoza and his theological studies in Pamplona. He obtained a licentiate in psychology from the University of Barcelona, Spain. He gave his temporal religious vows as a Franciscan Capuchin on 15 August 1964 in Sangüesa and his perpetual profession on 16 September 1967 in Pamplona. He was ordained a priest in Pamplona on 30 March 1968. As a priest he subsequently held the following roles: in Spain, professor in Lecaroz-Navarra, vicar in Tudela, professor in Pamplona and vicar in Zaragoza. In 1983 he was sent to Chile, where he served as parish vicar in the parish of Longavi, superior of the Community in Los Ángeles, parish priest of the parish of San Miguel in Viña del Mar, superior of the Community of Recreo, episcopal vicar for consecrated life for the diocese of Valparaíso, and since 2008, parish vicar of the parish of San Francisco de Asís in Los Ángeles, diocese of Santa María de Los Ángeles. Mgr Aós Braco was also provincial bursar for the Capuchins in Chile, promoter of justice of the ecclesiastical tribunal of Valparaíso, judge of the tribunal of the archdiocese of Concepción and treasurer of the Chilean association of canon law. He was appointed as bishop of Copiapó on 25 July 2014, and received episcopal ordination on the following 18 October. On 23 March 2019 he was nominated Apostolic Administrator sede vacante of the Archdiocese of Santiago, Chile to which he was subsequently appointed Archbishop on 27 December 2019.

### **Bishop Cornelius Sim** (Apostolic Vicar of Brunei)

Bishop Sim was born in Seria (Brunei) on 16 September 1951. He pursued a degree in engineering at Dundee University in Scotland followed by a Masters in theology at Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio, USA. He was ordained a priest on 26 November 1989. After exercising the priestly ministry in various parishes, he was appointed Vicar General of Brunei in 1995 and subsequently Apostolic Prefect on 21 November 1997. On 20 October 2004, Saint John Paul II elevated the territory to an Apostolic Vicariate and appointed him its first Apostolic Vicar.

### **Archbishop Augusto Paolo Lojudice** (Archbishop of Siena-Colle Val d'Elsa-Montalcino)

The bishop-elect was born in Rome in 1964, and was ordained a priest in 1989. He holds a licentiate in theology, with a specialization in fundamental theology. He has served in a number of pastoral roles, including parish vicar and parish priest, spiritual father of the Pontifical Roman Major Seminary, secretary of the Episcopal Commission for Migrations of the Italian Episcopal Conference. He was appointed as titular bishop of Alba Marittima in 2015. He has served as Secretary for the Italian Bishops' Conference Commission for Migration. He became the Archbishop of Siena on 6 May 2019.

### **Father Mauro Gambetti, OFM Conv** (Guardian of the Sacro Convento in Assisi)

Father Gambetti was born in Castel San Pietro Terme (Bologna), in 1965 and pursued studies in mechanical engineering at the University of Bologna. He entered the Conventual Franciscans in 1992 and was ordained a priest in 2000. He exercised various ministries in Longiano, Emilia-Romagna. He became Provincial of the Conventual Franciscans of Emilia-Romagna in 2009 and subsequently became the Guardian of the Sacro Convento of Saint Francis in Assisi in 2013. He was elected President of the Intermediterranean Federation of Provincial Ministers of the Conventual Friars Minor in September 2017.

### **Bishop Felipe Arizmendi Esquivel** (Bishop Emeritus of San Cristobal de las Casas)

Bishop Esquivel was born on 1 May 1940 in Chiltepec (Mexico). He pursued philosophical and theological studies at the Seminary in Toluca and in Salamanca in Spain and received a licentiate in Dogmatic Theology. He was ordained a priest on 25 August 1963. On 7 February 1991 he was appointed Bishop of Tapachula. During his time as Bishop of Tapachula he served as Secretary General of CELAM. Saint John Paul II appointed him Bishop of San Cristóbal de Las Casas in March 2000 where he remained until he resigned on 3 November 2017.

### **Archbishop Silvano M Tomasi** (Former Apostolic Nunzio and Permanent Observer Emeritus to the United Nations and Specialized Agencies in Geneva)

Archbishop Tomasi was born on 12 October 1940 in Casoni di Mussolente (Italy). He studied both in Italy and in the United States where he was ordained on 31 May 1965 as a Scalabrinian Father. He received a Doctorate in Sociology from Fordham University in New York. He served as Provincial Superior of the Scalabrinians as well. From 1983 to 1987 he served as Director of the Office for the Pastoral Care of Migrants and Refugees of the United States Bishop's Conference. From 1989 to 1996 he was Secretary of the Pontifical Council for the Pastoral Care of Migrants and Refugees. He became the Apostolic Nuncio of Ethiopia, Eritrea and Observer to the African Union in 1996, Apostolic Nuncio in Giubuti in 1999, and Permanent

Observer of the Holy See to the United Nations and Specialized Agencies in Geneva in 2003, an office he carried out until 13 February 2016. On 9 April 2016, Pope Francis appointed him a member of the former Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace which is now the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development.

### **Father Raniero Cantalamessa, OFM Cap** (Preacher of the Papal Household)

Father Raniero Cantalamessa is a Franciscan Capuchin Catholic Priest. Born in Ascoli Piceno, Italy, 22 July 1934, ordained priest in 1958. Divinity Doctor (Fribourg 1962) and Doctor in classical literature (Milan 1966). Former Ordinary Professor of History of Ancient Christianity and Director of the Department of Religious Sciences at the Catholic University of Milan. Member of the International Theological Commission (1975-1981) and for 12 years member of the Catholic Delegation for the dialogue with the Pentecostal Churches. In 1979 he resigned his teaching position to become a full time preacher of the Gospel. In 1980 he was appointed by Saint John Paul II Preacher to the Papal Household and confirmed in that position by Pope Benedict XVI in 2005, and by Pope Francis in 2013. In this capacity he preaches a weekly sermon in Advent and Lent in the presence of the Pope, the cardinals, bishops and prelates of the Roman Curia and the general superiors of religious orders. He is also frequently invited to speak in many countries around the world, both to Catholic and Protestant audiences. He has received an Honorary degree in Laws from Notre Dame University (Indiana), in Sciences of communication from the University of Macerata (Italy) and in Theology from Franciscan University of Steubenville (Ohio). In addition to his early scholar books on patristic Christology, Easter in the Ancient Church and other topics he has published books on spirituality fruit of his preaching to the papal Household, translated in many languages.

### **Monsignor Enrico Feroci** (Rector of the Shrine of Our Lady of Divine Love, Castel di Leva)

Monsignor Feroci was born on 27 August 1940 in Pizzoli (Italy). He entered the Minor Seminary in Rome at the age of 11 years and was ordained a priest in 1965. He became vice-rector of the Minor Seminary in 1968. He then carried various ministries in the Diocese of Rome. He became a Chaplain of His Holiness, or a Monsignore, in 1995. He also served as a Consultor for the Pontifical Council for the Pastoral Care of Migrants and Refugees. In 2017 Rome's Cardinal Vicar appointed Monsignor Feroci the President of the Public Clerical Association associated with the Shrine of the Madonna of Divine Love, and a Canon of the Papal Basilica of Saint John Lateran. In 2019 he was appointed pastor of the Parish of Our Lady of Divine Love in Castel di Leva.

## Supporting Newark Foodbank

The following items are especially needed at the moment:

- ✘ Tea bags (40s or 80s)
- ✘ Tinned rice pudding
- ✘ Long life fruit juice (not squash)
- ✘ Sugar (500g or 1kg)
- ✘ Sponge puddings (tinned / microwave)

Items can be donated at the Co-op, One Stop, and Lloyds Chemist in Southwell.

## Job Opportunity

The Directors of St Thomas Aquinas Catholic Multi-Academy Trust are seeking to appoint a new headteacher at Holy Cross Catholic Voluntary Academy, Leicester, (salary scale L15-21). For an application pack please call the Trust's HR department on 0116 296 8164 or email [pcooper@aquinas-cmat.org](mailto:pcooper@aquinas-cmat.org) To arrange a school visit please contact Elizabeth Routledge (school office) on 0116 283 3135 or email [eroutledge@holy-cross.leicester.sch.uk](mailto:eroutledge@holy-cross.leicester.sch.uk) The closing date is Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November.

## At Sea : Awaiting Orders

Stella Maris, the Apostleship of the Sea, is celebrating its centenary year this year. To mark the centenary, Father Colum Kelly, who spent sixteen years as chaplain at Immingham port in our diocese, has written a book, musing over some of the people he has met and the events that have inspired his work over those years. In *At Sea: Awaiting Orders*, Father Colum draws us into the lives of those seafarers and details how freight ships are the lifeblood of industry and essential to our national economy. His humour, kindness and keen sense of the whimsical will give you a fascinating insight into the hugely important role played by the priests, lay chaplains and ship visitors who work for Stella Maris. The book is illustrated by Bryony Watson, one of the lay chaplains at Immingham. The book is available to buy in paperback or to download for Kindle at [books2read.com/ColumKellyAtSeaAwaitingOrders](https://books2read.com/ColumKellyAtSeaAwaitingOrders)

## Diocese of Nottingham LGBT+ Pastoral Ministry

Recent research (August 2020) by University College London and Sussex University has shown that the coronavirus lockdown has provoked a mental health crisis among the LGBTQ community, with younger people being the most seriously affected. Our Diocese has responded by setting up a specialist pastoral network in all the areas within the Diocese, to give advice or offer pastoral support to families or individuals who might need help. To make contact please email in confidence to the Diocesan coordinator: [lgbt.pastoral@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:lgbt.pastoral@dioceseofnottingham.uk)

A Mass with the intention to reflect the effects of the covid-19 pandemic on LGBT+ people will be celebrated in Advent at Saint Alban's church, Derby, on **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** at 7pm, with a period of Exposition before Mass, starting at 6.30pm. The Mass can be attended either in person by reserving a place through the online booking system at: <https://massbooking.uk> or virtually through the Derby Catholics Live website [www.derbycatholiclive.co.uk/?fbclid=IwAR1VkJFg60prU0y onLQVnbHdBDUwWylu\\_Q1XmRXuO19 Lz5BpuKGYCzRGYPM](http://www.derbycatholiclive.co.uk/?fbclid=IwAR1VkJFg60prU0y onLQVnbHdBDUwWylu_Q1XmRXuO19 Lz5BpuKGYCzRGYPM)

## News from Marriage Care

Our marriage preparation and support service enable couples to nurture faithful and fruitful marriages that last, as we draw on Catholic teaching and contemporary research to help couples focus on the quality of their relationship with each other.

Our latest resource, *Preparing Together Anywhere*, is facilitated by two trained volunteers via webcam. Groups of up to seven engaged couples attend three 90-minute sessions over a period of three weeks, with additional resources to enable couples to reflect more deeply in-between sessions on the commitment being entered into. Wedding plans may be on hold for some time, but couples need not put their preparation for marriage on hold.

Through our relationship counselling service (now available via webcam), we accompany, with compassion and practical wisdom, couples who find themselves in need of support on their journey. Because of the Coronavirus pandemic, we know that increases in family stress and impending threat of relationship breakdown will plunge many more into financial difficulties. We are unique in asking couples who come to us for counselling only to pay what they can afford, reflecting our commitment to support those most in need. If it would be helpful (for you or others you know) please connect with Marriage Care at: [www.marriagecare.org.uk](http://www.marriagecare.org.uk)

## A Prayer Intention for Life

For all going through difficult pregnancies, we pray for an overwhelming sense of hope and joy to fill their lives, and for increased support to be given by their family, friends and local communities. Lord hear us.

Visit [www.righttolife.org.uk](http://www.righttolife.org.uk) for more information.

## 200 Club

Paul Wilkinson, Nicky Gudgeon and Bryan Sills, who have run the 200 Club for the last ten years, would like to offer their sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to the Club in some way over those years. During that time the Club has donated around £17,500 to charitable causes.

## The Catholic Universe and Catholic Times

If you are unable to collect your paper at Mass, but you can get it delivered directly to your home every week, post free. Go to [www.thecatholicuniverse.com](http://www.thecatholicuniverse.com) or call 0161 820 5722 and to arrange. A special offer: 3 months (£22) or 12 months (£80).

## Faith in Families

Every year for the past 43 years, Faith in Families have run a Christmas toy and food appeal. We create hampers for families who are experiencing extreme difficulties, which are nominated to us through our school social workers. We like to bring a ray of sunshine into these families lives, even if it is for one day! Helping to create a smile on a child's face on Christmas Day morning helps our Christmas spirit thrive.

Sadly, our 44<sup>th</sup> Christmas appeal must be slightly different this year due to the pandemic. Therefore, we have created a 'Just Giving' Campaign and hope to raise £10,000 so we can help at least 100 families, who have been nominated to us through our School Social Workers who are based in various schools locally.

We are asking for your support. If you could donate a little or a lot and spread the word would be so helpful. Below is a list of links to our social media platforms, which we would appreciate if you have the time and the technology to share on your accounts with friends, colleagues, associates, and family members. If everyone you know donates a pound, we will be well on our way to reaching our target and helping those in real need this year! The image above is a link to our campaign page, which if you click will take you directly to our 'Just Giving Campaign' if you wish to donate directly through this site, all donations can be gift aided through this method as well. We are happy to except cash, online transactions, postal cheques, bank cheques any way you feel comfortable in donating and of any amount. Please just reference your donation with **FIF XMAS APPEAL 2020**.

Please spread the word and help smash our target to help those families in real need during this pandemic. We at Faith in Families want to thank you for any help and support you can give and hope you are all safe, well, and happy during these uncertain times.

With the kindest of regards, Nicola Richardson, Community Fundraiser

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[www.faithinfamilies.org](http://www.faithinfamilies.org)

Faith in Families Website

<https://faithinfamilies.org/news/christmas-appeal-2020/>

Just Giving Campaign Page

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/fifxmas2020>

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/FaithinFamiliesNotts>

Twitter

<https://twitter.com/FIFNotts>

Instagram

<https://www.instagram.com/faithinfamilies/>

## Thank You from Cafod

The Catholic Agency for Overseas Development has written this week to thank our parish for the £218.60 raised during the recent Harvest Fast Day. Our donations will help 300 vulnerable families in Kibera, Kenya. Sincere thanks to all who contributed!

## Awareness of domestic abuse

When so much of our lives takes place behind closed doors, the National Board of Catholic Women has published timely resources to raise awareness within the Catholic community, of domestic abuse and the impact upon victims and their children. This abuse may be physical, emotional and psychological, economic or spiritual. **Raising awareness of domestic abuse** aims to:

- encourage Catholic parishes to become places of safety for people seeking to escape domestic abuse, especially women, and women with children
- provide a resource for those who have survived abusive situations and need time and space to recover
- provide a resource for those offering pastoral care and guidance.

To read the booklet download it from: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/our-work/domestic-abuse/practical-booklet-on-domestic-abuse/>

## The Cycle of Prayer

During Autumn Ordinary Time we are asked to pray for the following intentions in our own private prayer:

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| ✘ Students and Teachers;  | ✘ Justice and Peace in the World; |
| ✘ The Spread of the Gospel;                                     | ✘ All Victims of War;             |
| ✘ The Harvest;  | ✘ Young People;                   |
| ✘ The Fruits of Human Work and<br>the Reverent Use of Creation; | ✘ Prisoners and their Families.   |

## A reflection from 'Marriage Matters'

**Always be ready** Jesus said we must always be ready for His second coming, ready to meet Him. Being 'ready' doesn't mean spending all the time doing religious things. For married couples, being 'ready' means being ready to listen to each other, sharing thoughts and feelings. Keep your 'love tank' full by thinking of ways he or she can be surprised by love.

## Prayers for the Holy Souls

*Over the past year we have said Farewell to the following parishioners, family and friends who have been buried from our parish, or who have connections to our parish or diocese. We can't easily celebrate a Parish Requiem Mass this November, but we might keep these people in our prayers through this month of the Holy Souls:*

Sister Raphael Lynch RSM

Mrs Carter

Jack McGeachie

Monsignor Anthony Stark (8<sup>th</sup> January)

Sister Mary Peter Silke SP (8<sup>th</sup> January)

Monsignor Joe Phelan (10<sup>th</sup> January)

Veronica Margaret Davey

Canon Gerry Breen

Sister Carmel Fitzpatrick RSM (23<sup>rd</sup> January)

Bobbie (Irene) Thornton

Sister Ellen McGrath RSM (10<sup>th</sup> February)

Brian Woodward (13<sup>th</sup> February)

Canon Colin Taylor (19<sup>th</sup> February)

Sister Rita Popple (22<sup>nd</sup> February)

Sister Evelyn Sheridan CSJP (22<sup>nd</sup> February)

Columbus O'Donnell (5<sup>th</sup> March)

Archbishop Peter Smith (6<sup>th</sup> March)

John Bell (8<sup>th</sup> March)

Father Eamonn O'Hara (8<sup>th</sup> March)

Maeve Greer

John Hughes (11<sup>th</sup> March)

David Burbidge (15<sup>th</sup> March)

Veronica Etim Bassey

Canon John Berry (25<sup>th</sup> March)

Julia Smith

Bernadette McBride (31<sup>st</sup> March)

Yuen Lam Li (4<sup>th</sup> April)

Norma Elizabeth Fletcher (5<sup>th</sup> April)

John Leslie Newman (6<sup>th</sup> April)

Abbot John Moakler OCSO (8<sup>th</sup> April)

Sister Angela Gallagher RSM (8<sup>th</sup> April)

Bridget Larkin (8<sup>th</sup> April)

Simon John Crossse (10<sup>th</sup> April)

Father Stephan Foster (12<sup>th</sup> April)

Father Joe McGovern (13<sup>th</sup> April)

Sister Mary Gonzalvo OP (16<sup>th</sup> April)

Bishop Leo McCartie (23<sup>rd</sup> April)

Pauline Grumett (27<sup>th</sup> April)

Maureen Rosemary Fairbairn (12<sup>th</sup> May)

John Greenland (12<sup>th</sup> May)

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Paul Moreno (14<sup>th</sup> May)

Rosemary Renee (16<sup>th</sup> May)

Father Paul Dynan (17<sup>th</sup> May)

Bishop Vincent Malone (18<sup>th</sup> May)

Father Adolfo Nicolas SJ (20<sup>th</sup> May)

Father Richard Adam OCSO (22<sup>nd</sup> May)

Andrew Bury (22<sup>nd</sup> May)

Wilfred Leslie Creasey (23<sup>rd</sup> May)

Nora Crosby (24<sup>th</sup> May)

Norah Josephine Marum (29<sup>th</sup> May)

Ann Foong (31<sup>st</sup> May)

Sister Breege Leddy CSJP (1<sup>st</sup> June)

Margaret Ann Mason (1<sup>st</sup> June)

Pamela Mary Poyser (20<sup>th</sup> June)

Father Anthony Meredith SJ (25<sup>th</sup> June)

Canon Christopher Tuckwell (26<sup>th</sup> June)

Sister Rita Wynn RSM (28<sup>th</sup> June)

Josephine Helene Jones (28<sup>th</sup> June)

Monsignor Georg Ratzinger (1<sup>st</sup> July)

Sister Philippa Kohlbecker RSM (5<sup>th</sup> July)

Nicola De Bernhardt Dunkin

Ezinne Jacinta Ofoegbu (12<sup>th</sup> July)  
Aidan Betts (15<sup>th</sup> July)  
Ben Connery (8<sup>th</sup> August)  
Stefano Fragapane  
Liz Bingham (28<sup>th</sup> August)  
David Lisle (1<sup>st</sup> September)

Father Terry Fellows (26<sup>th</sup> September)  
Michael Price (27<sup>th</sup> September)  
Mary Maureen London (6<sup>th</sup> October)  
Margaret Mary Cregan (14<sup>th</sup> October)  
John Hodgkinson (23<sup>rd</sup> October)  
Sister Roberta FSM (27<sup>th</sup> October)

**Eternal Rest, Grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they rest in peace. Amen.**

## Prayers for ...

Please remember in your prayers especially:

- ✘ **All those affected by the coronavirus outbreak** – those infected, those caring for them, those who have died, and those who mourn.
- ✘ **Father Michael Horrax**, a retired priest of our diocese, who died after 65 years of priesthood on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. May he rest in peace!
- ✘ **John Hodgkinson**, who died on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October, and who is mourned by Moira and all his family, who send their thanks for all the outpouring of love, the Mass offerings, beautiful cards, and messages of condolence received recently. John's funeral service will be celebrated on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November at 10.00am in Redhill Cemetery. May he rest in peace.
- ✘ **Maria Eastty**, who died on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> October, and whose funeral service will be celebrated on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November. May she rest in peace!
- ✘ **All the faithful departed**, especially those remembered in our November Dead Lists, placed before the altar during Mass in this month of the Holy Souls.
- ✘ **Clergy of our diocese who are sick at this time**: Monsignor Jonathan Moore, Canon Michael Moore, Fathers John Cairns, Anthony Colebrook, John Daley IC, Hugh Doherty, James Hannigan, Peter Harvey, Christopher Hogan, James Lynch, Frank McLaughlin, Robert Rutledge, Michael Tutcher; Deacons Tom Berrie, Stephen Doona, Bill Hutchinson and Robin Pollard.



## Masses and Services this week

During these days, although parishioners aren't able to attend Mass, Father Simon will continue to celebrate Mass each day for your requested intentions.

<b>Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday</b>
Mass	Departed loved ones
<b>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Thirty-Second Sunday of the Year</b>
	<b>Remembrance Sunday</b>
Mass	Pro Populo, especially those who died during the two World Wars and other wars since
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</b>
Mass	Mike Murtagh RIP
<b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Memorial of Saint Leo the Great, pope</b>
Mass	John Bell RIP and Peter Durkin
<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours, bishop</b>
Mass	Father William Wells RIP
<b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Memorial of Saint Josaphat, bishop and martyr</b>
Mass	Father Eamonn O'Hara RIP
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Feria</b>
Mass	Father Joseph Pham RIP
<b>Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday</b>
Mass	Mary Back RIP
<b>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Thirty-Third Sunday of the Year</b>
Mass	John Hodgkinson RIP

## Readings at Masses this week

<b>Sunday</b>	Wisdom 6:12-16; Psalm 62(63):2-8; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13
<b>Monday</b>	Ezekiel 47:1-2.8-9.12; Psalm 45(46):2-3.5-6.8-9; John 2:13-22
<b>Tuesday</b>	Titus 2:1-8.11-14; Psalm 36(37):3-4.18.23.27.29; Luke 17:7-10
<b>Wednesday</b>	Titus 3:1-7; Psalm 22(23); Luke 17:11-19
<b>Thursday</b>	Philemon 7-20; Psalm 145(146):7-10; Luke 17:20-25
<b>Friday</b>	2 John 4-9; Psalm 118(119):1-2.10-11.17-18; Luke 17:26-37
<b>Saturday</b>	3 John 5-8; Psalm 111(112):1-6; Luke 18:1-8