

13th January: Wednesday NO Mass at St. Norbert's

17th January: Sunday Mass at St. Norbert's 9.00am:

Due to the ongoing Corona Virus restrictions there will be a limited number of places available. Places at the Sunday Mass will be by a ballot. If you wish to enter the ballot for 9.00am Mass Sunday 17th January, please contact Jane by either email (jane.sarsfield@talk21.com) or telephone (01724 711434) indicating how many seats you would like to reserve giving a name and contact details, any time from Monday 11th January to Wednesday 13th January. You will be contacted on Thursday with the outcome. Only those whose names are drawn in the ballot can be admitted, and there will be a reserve list in case someone drops out. **Please do not just turn up unless you have been advised of a place at Mass.**

To be followed at all Masses:

Social distancing is set at 2m please observe this as you arrive and leave church.

When you arrive at church you may be asked to wait outside until invited to take a seat. Stewards will assist in arriving and leaving church so that people are kept safe. Those from different households must not share a pew unless they are in the same bubble.

n.b. while attending Mass inside, people are not allowed to socialise with others from a different household or are not in a bubble with.

Please arrive in time to allow for this managed arrival to take place and Mass to start on time.

Face masks must be worn.

Candles should be pre-booked at the same time as booking a place at Mass, and they will be lit by the stewards.

If you are allocated a place at Mass and are unable to attend please let Jane know. Thank you.

The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of January 2021: Intention for evangelization - *Human fraternity*. May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

Weekly Mass schedule for St. Bernadette's, Holy Souls and St. Thomas' Gainsborough can be found on St. Bernadette's website: www.stbernadettesashby.org

Masses: As Fr Liam will be enjoying a well-deserved break from 11th to 15th January 2021 (inclusive), there will be no public celebration of English language Masses across our four Parishes this week. During this period, anyone who needs to speak to, or see a priest, in an emergency should telephone **01472 342301** and Fr Andrew will do his best to help.

If you don't already contribute by either Standing Order or BACs please consider using one of these methods.
Church Bank Details: St Norbert Crowle RCP
Account No: 00481239 Sort Code: 30-97-44

Monday is the beginning of **Ordinary Time**, which is represented by the liturgical colour green. It is used in the offices and Masses of Ordinary Time

Baptism: Many of the incidents which accompanied Christ's baptism are symbolical of what happened at our Baptism. At Christ's baptism the Holy Spirit descended upon Him; at our Baptism the Trinity took its abode in our soul. At His baptism Christ was proclaimed the "Beloved Son" of the Father; at our Baptism we become the adopted children of God. At Christ's baptism the heavens were opened; at our Baptism heaven was opened to us. At His baptism Jesus prayed; after our Baptism we must pray to avoid actual sin.

An Act of Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus, I believe that You are 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 if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



Pope Francis' Tweet of the Week:

The first step towards an attitude of worship is to "lift up our eyes". When we lift up our eyes to God, life's problems do not go away, but we feel certain that the Lord grants us the strength to deal with them.

Hospital:

If you wish to receive a visit from a priest while in hospital, or know someone who wishes to receive a visit, you must explicitly request this by ringing **01724844895**. The clergy do not have access to patient lists produced by the hospital

If you are housebound, unable to attend Mass, and would like to receive Holy Communion please contact Father Liam on 01724 844895 to arrange a visit.

Articles for inclusion in the Newsletter by **Wednesday midday** please. Either ring Jane on 01724 711434 or email: jane.sarsfield@talk21.com



St Norbert's Parish Church. 20p

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MASS TIMETABLE					Mass Intention
Date	Day	Time	Liturgical Celebration		
10th Jan	Sunday	9.00am	The Baptism of the Lord	Doreen	Pauline & Jeff
11th Jan	Monday		Feria		
12th Jan	Tuesday		Feria or St. Aired of Tievaux		
13th Jan	Wed'day	No Mass	Feria or St. Hilary		
14th Jan	Thur'day		Feria		
15th Jan	Friday		Feria		
16th Jan	Saturday		Feria or Saturday Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary		
17th Jan	Sunday	9.00am	Second Sunday of the Year (B)	Ian Maclean, RIP	Alastair McIntyre
Sacrament of Reconciliation: By request					

The month of January is dedicated to The Holy Name of Jesus

Please remember in your prayers all those in our parish who are sick or housebound, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time

We must keep on protecting each other.



STAY ALERT CONTROL THE VIRUS SAVE LIVES

Mass Online : St. Barnabas Cathedral: www.churchservices.tv/nottinghamcathedral

Using the tab **SCHEDULE** a list of live streamed services can be found for a number of different churches



The Baptism of the Lord (B)

First Reading:

Is 55:1-11

Come to the water, Listen and your soul will live.

Oh, come to the water all you who are thirsty; though you have no money, come! Buy corn without money, and eat, and, at no cost, wine and milk. Why spend money on what is not bread, your wages on what fails to satisfy? Listen, listen to me, and you will have good things to eat and rich food to enjoy. Pay attention, come to me; listen, and your soul will live. With you I will make an everlasting covenant out of the favours promised to David. See, I have made of you a witness to the peoples, a leader and a master of the nations. See, you will summon a nation you never knew, those unknown will come hurrying to you, for the sake of the Lord your god, of the Holy One of Israel who will glorify you. Seek the Lord while he is still to be found, call to him while he is still near. Let the wicked man abandon his way, the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him, to our god who is rich in forgiving; for my thoughts are not your thoughts, my ways not your ways - it is the Lord who speaks. Yes, the heavens are as high above the earth as my ways are above your ways, my thoughts above your thoughts. Yes, as the rain and the snow come down from the heavens and do not return without watering the earth, making it yield and giving growth to provide seed for the sower and bread for the eating, so the word that goes from my mouth does not return to me empty, without carrying out my will and succeeding in what it was sent to do.

The word of the Lord.

R/. Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm: *With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation*

Second Reading:

1 Jn 5:1-9

The Spirit and water and blood.

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets. We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us; this is what loving God is - keeping his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world -our faith. Who can overcome the world? Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God: Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, nor with water only, but with water and blood; with the spirit as another witness -since the Spirit is the truth -so that there are three witnesses, the Spirit, the water and the blood, and all three of them agree. We accept the testimony of human witnesses, but God's testimony is much greater, and this is God's testimony, given as evidence for his Son.

The word of the Lord.

R/. Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! John saw Jesus coming towards him, and said: This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading:

Mk 1:7-11

You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.

In the course of his preaching John the Baptist said, 'Someone is following me, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to kneel down and undo the strap of his sandals. I have baptised you with water, but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit.' It was at this that Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptised in the Jordan by John. No sooner had he come up out of the water than he saw the heavens

torn apart and the Spirit, like a dove, descending on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

R/. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Communion Antiphon:

Behold the One of whom John said:
I have seen and testified that this is
the Son of God.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in 2021 (18-25 Jan) has been prepared by the Monastic Community of Grandchamp in Switzerland. The theme that was chosen, "Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit", is based on John 15:1-17 and expresses Grandchamp Community's vocation to prayer, reconciliation and unity in the Church & the human family.

The Grandchamp Community has its origins in Europe in the 1930s, when a group of women of the Reformed tradition sought to rediscover the importance of silence and listening to the Word of God. Today the community has fifty sisters, all women from different generations, Church traditions, countries and continents. In their diversity the sisters are a living parable of communion. They remain faithful to a life of prayer, life in community and the welcoming of guests. The sisters share the grace of their monastic life with visitors and volunteers who go to Grandchamp for a time of retreat, silence, healing or in search of meaning.

In producing the material for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity for 2021, the sisters are inviting churches across the world to enter into their tradition of prayer and silence that is rooted in the introduction to this year's theme week of prayer for christian unity 5 ancient traditions of the Church catholic.

For resources on the week of meditations go to cbcew.org.uk/home/events/wpcu-2021



THE CATHOLIC CHURCH BISHOPS' CONFERENCE OF ENGLAND AND WALES
With the announcement of a new lockdown for England to curb the rapid spread of COVID-19, Cardinal Vincent Nichols, President of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, said:

"The regular practice of our faith in God is a well-established source of both personal resilience and dedicated service to those in need. Such resilience and enduring service are vital in these difficult circumstances.

"I am glad that no measures have been introduced that would obstruct or curtail this essential source of energy for the common good. Catholic parishes will continue to serve the needs of their local community."

Message from Fr Andrew:

Dear sisters and brothers, Happy New Year! I hope and pray that you have had an enjoyable Season of Christmas, and that this year will prove to be happier and healthier for us all. As the white of Christmas gives way to the green of Ordinary Time, let us pray that Jesus may be alive in us in the ordinariness of our lives. Bathed in his light, let us bring that light and be that light to all whom we meet.

Fr Liam will be having a well-earned break this coming week, and so if you need to speak to a priest in an emergency please telephone 01472 342301 and leave a voicemail, and I will do my best to help you.

With my prayers and every good wish for you and your families for the New Year,

Fr Andrew

O God, whose Only Begotten Son has appeared in our very flesh, grant, we pray, that we may be inwardly transformed through him whom we recognise as outwardly like ourselves. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



A History of the Bible by John Barton. This excellent short mini series (five 14 minute segments) has been aired recently on BBC Radio 4 and is available still to hear via BBC iPlayer. (BBC Sounds). In each segment Hugh Bonneville reads John Barton's 'Story of the Bible' and of how the two faiths that hold it sacred have shaped it and been shaped by it. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/series/m000qlrx>