



The Catholic Parishes of Holy Souls' and St Bernadette's, Scunthorpe and St Norbert's, Crowle
Mass Timetable for week beginning Fourth Sunday of Easter - 21st April 2024

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Date/Of the Day	Holy Souls	St Bernadette's	St Norbert's
Saturday, 20th Easter Feria	-	6.00 pm Vigil Mass Bart Mahony RIP	-
Sunday, 21st April 2024 Fourth Sunday of Easter Good Shepherd Sunday Vocations Sunday	10.00 am Mass Fr Neil Peoples Intention	9.30 am Polish Mass Polish Priest's Intentions 11.30 am Mass Herbert Leigh & Mary RIP, Alan & Michael RIP 1.00 pm Baptism 3.00 pm Mass Syro-Malabar Mass	8.30 am Mass David & Josie Till RIP
Monday, 22nd Easter Feria	-	9.30 am Mass Derek Haith RIP	-
Tuesday, 23rd St George	-	-	10.30 am Mass Jean Jackson RIP
Wednesday, 24th Easter Feria	9.30 am Mass David & Josie Till RIP	-	-
Thursday, 25th St Mark	-	-	-
Friday, 26th Easter Feria	9.30 am Mass followed by Exposition and Confessions until 10.30 am Anjos D C X Belo	6.00 pm Mass Cait O'Connell RIP	-
Saturday, 27th Easter Feria	-	10.30 am Baptism 1.30 pm Nuptial Mass 5.15 to 5.45 pm Confession and Exposition 6.00 pm Vigil Mass Jimmy Walker RIP	-
Sunday, 28th April 2024 Fifth Sunday of Easter	10.00 am Mass Davide Madeo RIP	9.30 am Polish Mass Polish Priest's Intentions 11.30 am Mass John & Kathleen Dempsey RIP 1.00 pm Baptism 2.00 pm Baptism	8.30 am Mass Simon Peter Lewis RIP

For Polish Mass Times at Holy Souls Church, please see the Polish bulletin at the back of Holy Souls Church, or visit www.facebook.com/parafia.polska.scun.link.grim

Pope Francis - Thought of the Week

'God is peace and He desires peace. Those who believe in Him should reject war, which only worsens conflicts. War is always and only a defeat. It is a road leading nowhere; it opens no horizons but extinguishes all hope.'

The Pope's Prayer Intention for April 2024

For The Role Of Women

Let us pray that the dignity and worth of women be recognized in every culture, and for an end to the discrimination they face in various parts of the world.

Safeguarding Representatives

St Bernadette's: Janice Moran/Barbara Faulds 07513 725545

Holy Souls': -

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A reflection from Pope Francis for the Year of Prayer

Fourth Sunday of Easter

All our thoughts and activities should be a part of our daily conversation with the Lord. There is no aspect of our everyday lives, however mundane, that cannot be offered in prayer to God and become an occasion of deeper union with him. In our fragility, prayer is a mark of our supreme grandeur, for prayer can work miracles in our world, transform lives and history, and serve the coming of God's kingdom of justice and peace.

To read the full reflection and find more resources at dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer

In your charity please pray for

all who have died recently, may they rest in peace. *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.* Please pray for their families at this difficult time; for those whose anniversaries occur at this time; for all who are sick and housebound and those who have no family to support them.

Pastoral Message for Vocations Sunday 2024

from Archbishop Malcolm McMahon is available at the back of church or can be downloaded from the parish websites.

Parish Merger

Approximately three years ago, Bishop Patrick set out his vision for the restructuring of our parish structures within the Diocese of Nottingham. This included proposals that our local deaneries should be merged into larger areas and that similarly our parishes should be merged to create stronger more sustainable structures for the future. Our Deanery has now expanded to include the northern half of Lincolnshire, including the city of Lincoln itself. Many of the proposed parish mergers have now taken effect across the Diocese. It was proposed by the diocese that our three local parishes should merge into one parish, that is Holy Souls, St Bernadette's and St Norbert's.

Our local consultation has included the parish councils of each of these parishes and, where applicable, also the parish finance committees. All have agreed, after consultation, that the proposed merger should go ahead and the necessary paperwork showing this consultation has been forwarded onto Canon Andrew Cole, our Dean.

The next stage is that the proposed merger should be approved by the Lincoln Deanery and then by the Council of Priests of our Diocese. If the proposal goes ahead this will mean:

- There will be one parish council and one finance committee over the whole area. These will have representation from each church community.
- The three parish bank accounts will be merged into one. Provision will be made for legacies and ring-fenced funds, where appropriate, so that they are not used contrary to the intention for which they were given.
- We will need to decide on a new parish name. Each church will retain its existing dedication. Please submit any suggestions you may have to me, *in writing*, before 31st May.

If you would like to make your views known about the proposed merger, I would be very grateful if you could do so, *in writing*, to me also before 31st May.

Canon Matthew Jakes

Upcoming Second Collection

Clergy Formation Fund this Sunday, 21st April 2024.

Holy Souls' Social Evening

In the Parish Hall on Thursday, 25th April at 7.00 pm. Doors open 6.30 pm. To include bingo, raffle, cake stall and more. Admission is £3 per person to include refreshments. Proceeds to support cancer patients at The Queen's Centre, Castle Hill Hospital, Hull. Donation of raffle prizes would be much appreciated.

Faith in Action Award

The Diocesan Youth Service is looking for volunteers to help with the moderating process of the **Faith in Action Award**; a national scheme to encourage young people in their faith and service. Moderators could be anyone with experience

running the award, or someone who's never run the award but wants to bear witness to the work and faith journey of young people in our Diocese. All training, guidance and support during the moderating process will be given beforehand. Moderation will take place during June. If you're interested please contact Elise at eliserichardson@ndcys.com before the end of April.

Melwood Pilgrimage

Parishioners are invited to the Melwood Pilgrimage, in honour of St Augustine Webster, on Saturday 4th May 2024 at Low Melwood Farm (on the road between Epworth and Owston Ferry, DN9 1AD). The Rosary will begin at 12 noon on the road, about 400m from the farm, and ends where Mass will be celebrated in an enclosed barn. Car parking is available at the farm. Please bring a chair and a picnic (if you wish) which can be eaten outside - weather permitting - or in the barn if the weather is inclement.

St Norbert's - Diary Date

- **Ceilidh on Saturday 4th May** from 7.30 pm to 11.30 pm at Crowle Community Hall (DN17 4LL). Music by Rosianna Ceilidh Band. Tickets £15 (advanced booking required) including pie & peas. There will be a bar available. Contact 07988 775746 or 01724 711434 for tickets.

Safeguarding Sunday

Bishop Patrick has designated Sunday 5th May as Safeguarding Sunday. This is an opportunity for the Diocese to reflect on the theology and spirituality of safeguarding, and also a time to inform congregations about how safeguarding in the Church has evolved and continues to develop, as changes are implemented. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives will be contacting volunteers both at Holy Souls' and St Bernadette's parishes whose DBS certificate is due to be renewed. During April we are also developing Safeguarding resources and information spaces in both churches including a copy of the Parish Safeguarding Handbook and safeguarding policies.

St Bernadette's - Diary Dates

- **Tuesday, 30th April 2024** - PPC Meeting at 7.00 pm in the Parish Centre.
- **Tuesday, 21st May 2024** - SVP Lunch £5.00. Eucharistic Service at 12 noon followed by pie and peas at 12.30 pm (vegetarian option available), ice-cream, tea and coffee, bingo, raffle and quiz. If you have not already confirmed attendance please contact Patricia 07813 075935, Lee 07419 337664, or Sue 07745 499850.

A request

If you notice any damaged/faulty equipment within our church premises, please report, via email, to stbernadettesashby@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Thank you

Many thanks to all who supported St Norbert's Spring Fayre last Saturday. It was a very enjoyable social event and an amazing £915 was raised for church funds.

Job Vacancy

The Diocesan Education Service is seeking to appoint a **Governance, Admissions, and Appeals Officer** to join their team. The post will start on 1st September, at a salary between £38k and £42k; applications should be received by 7th May. Full details can be found at www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/careers