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Items for this newsletter to news@lecatholic.org.uk

Sat 25th	6.00pm	Holy Mass (People of the Parish)	Going into hospital?
Sun 26th		Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	10.30am	Holy Mass (Teresa Bilbie RIP)	If you would like a visit from a chaplain during your stay in QMC or Nottingham City Hospital, please ring (for the QMC) 0115 924 9924 ext. 63799 or (for the City) 0115 969 1169 ext. 56187.
	3.00pm	Part Two of the course for couples hoping to marry in the Catholic church	
Mon 27th	9.30am	Holy Mass (Welfare of MAS)	If you would like your name mentioning in this newsletter, so that your fellow parishioners may pray for you, please drop a note in to the presbytery or email the editor (email address at the head of this newsletter).
Tue 28th	9.30am	Holy Mass (Gerard Goodhind RIP)	
Wed 1st		Ash Wednesday	
	9.30am	Liturgy of the Word with the imposition of ashes (for those unable to attend Holy Mass tonight)	
	7.00pm	Holy Mass with imposition of ashes (40 Days of Life campaign) <i>After Mass: Eucharistic Ministers Meeting</i>	
Thu 2nd		<i>Please pray for today's day of recollection for priests</i>	
Fri 3rd	11.45am	Holy Hour begins with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
	12.15pm	Holy Mass (Holy Souls)	
	3.00pm	Divine Mercy Hour	
	7.00pm	Stations of the Cross	
Sat 4th		Saint Casimir <i>Please pray for today's Grow in Faith Group</i>	
	10.00am	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
	11.30am	Lenten Reconciliation Service for children	
	4.30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
	6.00pm	Holy Mass (Deceased members of the Doherty, Bouchard, & Curtis families, RIP)	
Sun 5th		First Sunday of Lent	
	10.30am	Holy Mass (People of the Parish)	

PLEASE PRAY for the clergy of our diocese who are ill or infirm: Mgr Jonathan Moore, Mgr Joseph Phelan, Mgr George Tüttő, Canon John Berry, Canon Peter Coyle, Fr John Abbott, Fr John Cairns, Fr Anthony Colebrook, Fr Hugh Doherty, Fr James Hannigan, Fr Christopher Hogan, Fr James Lynch, Fr Frank McLaughlin, Fr Neil McLaughlin, Fr Dominic O'Connor, Fr James O'Hanlon, Fr Joseph O'Hanlon, Fr Eamonn O'Hara, Fr Robert Rutledge, Fr Michael Tutchter, Rev Bernard Croft and Rev William Hutchinson; also Josanne Boyd; that all those who are afflicted, especially the poor, refugees, and marginalised, may find welcome and comfort in our communities.

ROTAS Cleaners: Jack Stafford. Flowers: Volunteers. Counters: Elizabeth Brown, Martin Pearce. Readers: Tony Cooke, Ian Thomas, Liz Draper*.

Safeguarding Reps: Carol Morris (08445 880933) and Jane Watts (08445 880936) **SVP Contact:** Elaine Stevens (0115 849 2801 or svp@lecatholic.org.uk) **Primary School:** English Martyrs, Bracken Road (0115 973 3209).

Parish Pastoral Council: Liz Draper (08445 880932), Carol Morris (08445 880933), Sheila North (08445 880934), Jack Stafford (08445 880935).

FORTY DAYS FOR LIFE – Alan Horgan writes, “Please pray during Lent for the 4,000 unborn children aborted every week in this country. Pray for their mothers, fathers and the doctors and nurses involved, that God will forgive, heal and convert their hearts to the Pro-Life cause. Join us in prayer on the QMC campus beginning Ash Wednesday 1st March and ending Palm Sunday 9th April. Visit our website, 40daysforlife.com/nottingham, and sign up for an hour or more.” *There is a poster at the back of the Church giving more details.*

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – Mary Bradford writes, “The next meeting will take place in the Church Hall on Wednesday 1st March, after the Ash Wednesday Mass at 7.00pm. Please let me have any items for the agenda or apologies.”

CANAAN TRUST – The Trust are looking for individuals who would be willing to become advocates for the work of the Trust, ie, promote the work of the Trust within your place of work, your social networks, etc. Maybe volunteer and help the Trust in any one of a myriad of ways. If you would like to know more, or to register as a *Friend*, please email trustees@canaan-trust.co.uk or call 0115 946 4903. *There is a poster at the back of the Church.*

CONCERT OF TRADITIONAL IRISH MUSIC – Paul Curtis writes, “The Polish Eagle Club, 2 Sherwood Rise Nottingham NG7 6JN is hosting this concert, part of a national tour of Britain, on Thursday 2nd March at 8.00pm. Tickets can be secured by phoning 07811 199910 or 07926 559838. Incidentally, the Nottingham branch of Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann (Society of Irish Musicians) meets every Tuesday evening at the Irish Centre on Wilford Street, Nottingham NG2 1AA. There are lessons for everyone (particularly young people) starting at 7.00pm. If you would like to play a tin whistle, flute, accordion, fiddle or bodhran, etc, please come along.” *There is a poster at the back of the Church giving details.*

READERS' ROTA – Elizabeth Brown writes, “Copies of the new Rota will be available at the back of the Church. Unfortunately, we have lost a number of readers over the last year or so, mainly due to people moving from the parish, so I would be most grateful to hear from anyone who would be willing to read at Mass.”

FAIRTRADE – The Fairtrade Foundation is sponsoring *Fairtrade Fortnight*, from Monday 27th February to Sunday 12th March. There are booklets at the back of the Church highlighting ways in which Fairtrade farmers can be given support.

THE CARMELITE WAY OF PRAYING – Heather Ward writes, “The St Elizabeth of the Trinity Secular Carmelite Community invite you to attend a course entitled *Lord, Teach us to Pray*, which will explore Mindfulness, lectio divina, meditation, prayer in the Spirit and contemplation. The course will run on Thursdays: 9th March, 6th April, 11 May, 8 June and 13th July from 7.30pm to 9.00pm at The Assumption, Foster Avenue, Beeston. Come to any evening or all. For more information contact me on 01773 599982 or at heatherwqard55@gmail.com.” *There is a poster giving information at the back of the Church.*

CHURCH CLEANING – Please contact Jack Stafford (on the number shown on page 1) if you could help with church cleaning. Due to people moving away and sickness, there are only two on the rota now!

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