
First Reading

Acts 2:42-47

Responsorial Psalm

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

Second Reading

1 Peter 1:3-9

Gospel Acclamation

Jesus said: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

Gospel

John 20:19-31

Father John Abbott RIP

It is with sadness I have to inform you of the death of Father John Abbott last Tuesday morning. Father John was a familiar figure in Nottingham and around the Diocese of Nottingham from his time as Bishop's Secretary in 1989 to 1994 and then when he moved to be parish priest of Our Lady of Grace, Cotgrave and St Margaret Clitherow, Keyworth. Father John retired due to ill-health in 2003 but only moved as far as the presbytery in Wollaton where he continued helping out in retirement.

Father John came to the priesthood later in life and in fact his family belonged to the Methodist Church when John was born in 1944. His early years were spent growing up in the Leicestershire willage of Earl Shilton where John's musical talents were evident and he was organist at the local cinema before studying to play the piano and

For those sick & housebound in our parishes

Your prayers are asked for our Norah Pierce, Norah Smith, Margaret Scott, Ellen Insole, Marlene Smith, Tim Conlan and George Jackson. Also, if you, a member of your family or someone you know is going into hospital, let Fr Philip know so that the chaplaincy at the hospital will know you are there and want to be visited in the ward.

Pray for our sick priests

Your prayers are asked for our priests who are sick: Monsignori Jonathan Moore, Joseph Phelan & George Túttó, Canons John Berry & Peter Coyle, Fathers John Cairns, Anthony Colebrook, Hugh Doherty, James Hannigan, Christopher Hogan, James Lynch, Frank McLaughlin, Neil McLaughlin, Dominic O'Connor, Jim O'Hanlon, Joseph O'Hanlon, Eamonn O'Hara, Robert Rutledge & Michael Tutchter, Deacons Bernard Croft and William Hutchinson.

organ to degree standard. After becoming and Anglican in his early twenties, John joined an Anglican Benedictine Monastery at Nashdom before becoming a Catholic and settled in the parish of St Peter's in Leicester, where he played the organ and ran the choir. He studied for the priesthood at Oscott in Birmingham and was ordained priest on 9th April 1983 at the same time as Father Keith Frisby.

Father John was well-liked by his brother priests for his warm personality, great sense of humour and genuine compassion. These qualities were put to good use in his time in parish ministry and for his work in Bishop's Housewith Bishop McGuinness. Details of his funeral will be announced as soon as they are known.

Bishop's Visitation 2017

Bishop Patrick McKinney has written to say he will be visiting our parishes in the early summer. He will be with us for the Feast of Corpus Christi, 18th June for Mass at Our Lady and St Patrick's at 9.30 am and then at Corpus Christi at 11 am.

Baptism Courses 2017

The next Baptism preparation courses (for children below the age of six years) are as follows:

Corpus Christi Clifton in June - date to be announced - in the church sacristy.

10th & 17th June at The Cathedral

9th & 16th September at OL&SP

4th & 11th November, St Augustine's

Saturdays from 10.30 am to 12 noon

Attendance at the full course is mandatory before a date for a Baptism can be booked.

Parish Newsletter

Week beginning Sunday 23rd April 2017
Second Sunday of Easter (Year A) Low Sunday



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Pastoral Council

President: Fr Philip McBrien
Chair: Mark Heining
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Members: Austin Bryan, Sarah Heining, Keeley Kennelly, Rob Love, Rebecca Procter, Joseph Raju, Chrisjoy Rodrigues, Colin Swift
Next meeting: Monday 24th April 7 pm in the Lady Chapel

Pastoral Council

President: Fr Philip McBrien
Chair: Ann Finlay
Secretary: Christabel Pinto
Members: Keith Bourke, Mary Brown Pat Conlan, Lawrence Cotter, Maura Cotter, Ann McCleary, Tina Mphande Boniface Munyabarenzi, Karen McNally Christina Smith, Trevor Smith
Next meeting: Saturday 6th May at 10.30 am

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Corpus Christi, Clifton

Second Sunday of Easter	
Saturday 22nd	
5.15-45 6 pm	Adoration & Confessions Mass: Departed souls of the family
Sunday 23rd	
11 am	Mass: Pro populo
Monday 24th - St George	
8.30 am	Mass:
Tuesday 25th - St Mark	
6.30 pm 6.50 pm 7 pm	Adoration & prayer for vocations Evening Prayer Mass:
Wednesday 26th - Easter feria	
Thursday 27th - Easter feria	
6.30 pm 6.50 pm 7 pm	Adoration & prayer for vocations Evening Prayer Mass:
Friday 28th - Easter feria	
8.30 am	Mass:
Third Sunday of Easter	
Saturday 29th	
5.15-45 6 pm	Adoration & Confessions Mass: Jac O'Brien RIP
Sunday 30th	
11 am	Mass: Pro populo

Forthcoming Collections

7th May - **Clergy Formation Fund**

Pastoral Council Meeting

Members of the Pastoral Council are reminded of our meeting on Monday evening in the Lady Chapel. Minutes and the agenda have been circulated.

If anyone has any particular items to be raised at our Pastoral Council meetings, please mention them to any member in good time, so that we can put them on the agenda.

The Finance group will also be meeting at the end of this week to review the parish finances and draw up the parish annual

return. Details of this will be published in the usual manner in a few weeks as normal. I wish to thank both bodies for their help in looking after the parish.

Ministries		
	This Week 22/23rd April	Next Week 29/30th April
Readers 6 pm	Christopher Rodrigues & Emma Cupitt	Pauline Groves & Sarah Heining
11 am	Maria Chadwick & Bev Angell	Carlin Raju & Bev Angell
EMHC 6 pm	Austin Bryan & Alex Shelton-Bourke	Magaret Miller & Rob Love
11 am	Les Michalak & Rebecca Procter	Rebecca Procter & Brigitte Ramsay
Counters	Hagues family	Fr Philip & Catherine Haywood
Finance: collections last week		
	Envelopes:	£ 429.00
	Loose plate:	£ 250.00
	Standing orders:	£ 105.00
	Total:	£784.00
	Lenten Alms	£215.28
	Holy Places in Palestine	£188.44

Parents' preparation meeting

Parents of the candidates for First Holy Communion are reminded of our final meeting this Tuesday evening in the Hall of Blessed Robert Widmerpool Academy at 7.30 pm after our evening Mass.

Clifton Food Bank

Urgently needed items: Sponge puddings, tinned tomatoes, UHT milk, instant mashed potato and carrier bags.

(We've got plenty of beans, sugar, pasta.) Thank you for your support to this vital local effort helping those in need locally in our community in Clifton.

The wire basket for your contributions is in the porch near the entrance to the Baptistry.

Our Lady & Saint Patrick's

Sunday 23rd - Low Sunday	
9.30 am	Mass: Hiro Jean Mulhearn
Monday 24th - St George	
Tuesday 25th - St Mark	
Wednesday 26th - Easter feria	
9.30 am 10-10.30	Mass: Adoration
Thursday 27th - Easter feria	
Friday 28th - Easter feria	
Saturday 29th - St Catherine of Sienna	
9.30 am 10-10.30	Mass: Adoration & Confessions
Sunday 30th - Third Sunday of Easter	
9.30 am	Mass:

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EMHC	Colin & Philomene	Karen & Christabel
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	Loose plate:	£
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	Total:	£

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Parking on Launder Street

Parishioners bringing cars to church are advised that Launder Street is now restricted to resident parking with permits. This will include a separate Loop system for Traffic Wardens patrol the area and will those who have hearing difficulties and will quickly put parking enforcement notices incorporate a CD player. The firm, Keystone on any cars not having a permit. You are Sound Systems, have installed systems in advised to use the church car park when Clifton, The Cathedral and St Augustine's visiting Our Lady & St Patrick's. When our and are very thorough in their work.

railings and gates are installed, I will ensure that you are all advised of the code for the digital lock to be installed on the gates.

50/50 club

To join this fund-raising effort and help the parish, see Pat Conlon before or after Mass.

Retired Priests Appeal

Dr John Curran has informed me that thanks to a very generous cheque from a parishioner the balance of our parish target for the Retired Priests Appeal has been reached. He wishes to record officially thanks to all who have worked hard to achieve this within the lifespan of the Appeal and to note the work of Mr Michael Doherty from the Cathedral parish who worked hard to start the scheme. From now on our fund-raising efforts can be directed once more to building up our parish funds for our own captial projects, the general running of the parish and our mission to the area.

First Holy Communion

After much preparation and hard work the date for the celebration is approaching. Parishioners are reminded that we will be holding the rehearsal on Saturday 13th May and the actual celebration of First Holy Communion is at the 9.30 am Mass on Sunday 14th May. Bear in mind that there are fifteen candidates in the group this year so the church will need to be ready for a number of guests from friends and family of our candidates. Please keep our candidates and catechists in your prayers.

PA System

At the recent meeting of the Building & Sites Commission of the Diocese we have been given permission to go ahead with replacing our sound system in the church and to include a linked system in the parish hall. This will include a separate Loop system for those who have hearing difficulties and will incorporate a CD player. The firm, Keystone Systems, have installed systems in Clifton, The Cathedral and St Augustine's and are very thorough in their work.