



THE PARISH OF ST PATRICK, LEICESTER & THE DIVINE INFANT OF PRAGUE, SYSTON

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Parish Administrator & Centre Manager: Mrs. Asha Philip

Parish Office: Tuesday & Wednesday. 9.00am-5.00pm.

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18th Sunday of the Year

Date	Time & Place	Intention
Sat 1 st August	4.30pm – Divine Infant	Wedding Anniversary, George & Rani, 38 years
	6.30pm – St. Patrick's	Juliao, Natalia, Jose, Francis & Zaritha D'Silva, RIP
Sun 2 nd August	8.00am – St. Patrick's	Ryan, William, Maya, Zac, Blessings
	9.30am – St. Patrick's	Thanksgiving & God's protection for Martin Mulvany
	11.15am – Divine Infant	People of the parish
Mon 3 rd August <i>Feria</i>	10.00am – Divine Infant	For the soul of Judith Wreathall
Tue 4 th August <i>St. John Mary Vianney (M)</i>	NO MASS – St. Patrick's	NO MASS
	10.00am – Divine Infant	Bishop Patrick
Wed 5 th August <i>Dedication Of St Mary Major (O)</i>	10.00am – Divine Infant	Pope Leo XIV
	7.00pm – St. Patrick's	Soul of baby Jude Machado & baby Anthony born asleep 31 years
Thu 6 th August <i>The Transfiguration of the Lord (F)</i>	9.30am – St. Patrick's	Tiago Miranda RIP
	10.00am – Divine Infant	Antonia Busuttil RIP
Fri 7 th August <i>Feria</i>	7.00am – St. Patrick's	Jennifer Freestone RIP
	10.00am – Divine Infant	Holy souls
Sat 8 th August <i>St. Dominic (M)</i>	9.30am – St. Patrick's	For all parish Volunteers
	10.00am – Divine Infant	Private Intention

19th Sunday of the Year

Sat 8 th August	4.30pm – Divine Infant	Johnson Fund Benefactors
	6.30pm – St. Patrick's	Eugenio Mascarenhas, RIP, Anniversary & For the soul of Jonito D'Costa, RIP
Sun 9 th August	8.00am – St. Patrick's	Thanksgiving Mass by Alan Prior
	9.30am – St. Patrick's	Prayer for family & 50 th Birthday
	11.15am – Divine Infant	People of the parish

(S) = Solemnity; (F) = Feast; (M) = Memorial; (O) = Optional

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & ROSARY: Please join us for Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9.15am until 9.45am at Divine Infant and Wednesdays at 5.45pm until 6.45pm at St. Patrick's; the Rosary will be prayed before Mass on Monday, Wednesdays, Fridays and at Divine Infant, and before the Saturday Vigil and Sunday Morning Masses at St. Patrick's. All are welcome, especially 'retired' Catholics in our towns and district!

MASS BOOKING FOR BOTH PARISHES: It will be helpful to indicate which of the Churches you would like to have your Masses said. You can post your Mass intentions through the letter box or give it to Fr Paul or email your intentions to stpatrick.leicester@dioceseofnottingham.uk

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS : Please pray for all who are sick and in need.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND: Please inform Fr. Paul at St. Patrick's (0116 5078225) or Fr. Tom at Divine Infant (01162608476) if you or a family member are sick or housebound so someone can bring you Holy Communion. Your priest will also administer the Sacrament of the Sick to whoever requires it, so please contact them when it is required, thank you.

ONLINE BANKING SYSTEM: ST PATRICK LEICESTER RCP, ACCOUNT NUMBER 01774984, SORT CODE: 30-94-97 DIVINE INFANT PRAGUE SYSTON RCP, ACCOUNT NUMBER: 03394798, SORT CODE: 30-94-97

DIOCESE OF NOTTINGHAM REGISTERED CHARITY 1134449 REGISTERED COMPANY 7151646

ALL/ BOTH PARISHES

CONFESSION TIMES:

- St Patrick's: Wednesdays from 5.45 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.
- The Divine Infant of Prague, Syston: Wednesday and Saturday 9.30am–9.50 am.

LEGION OF MARY: The Legionaries meet each Tuesday at 7 pm in the Church. Everyone welcome.



ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH COLLECTION

Envelopes: £225.19 Plate: £ 522.08 Total: £ 747.27
300 club Winner: Mr Olszewski No:102 £100
July standing orders £605
Last week's Mass attendance: 393

THE DIVINE INFANT OF PRAGUE, SYSTON

Gift aid: £ 46.00 Loose: £ 234.70 Total: £280.70
DONA Machine June: £127.92
Last week's Mass attendance: 105

Come and join us for an evening
of singing and dancing with

CJ JACKSON, Friday 21st August 2026.

Doors and Bar open 7pm.

Tickets £10.00 each or 4 for £35.00

For tickets please see Jo Edwards or contact Gina Lindsay 07738571025. **Donations of raffle prizes or cash are warmly welcomed. Every contribution, no matter the size, is greatly appreciated and will help make our event a success.**

RCIA: ST. PATRICK'S & DIVINE INFANT OF PRAGUE, SYSTON:

We will be starting our RCIA programme (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) 18+ on Monday 7th September 2026 at 7pm in the Chapel at St. Patrick's Church leading up to Easter 2027. The group meets weekly and each session consists of prayer, a presentation on an aspect of the Catholic faith and small group discussion. It is relaxed, friendly and open to all.

Are you new to the parish?

Are you curious about the Catholic Faith?

Do you have unanswered questions?

Would you like to become a Catholic?

Have you been baptised in another church or are you already a baptised Catholic but not yet received the sacrament of First Holy Communion/Confirmation? If you are interested in finding out more, please speak to Father Paul, Georgina or put your name and contact details on the sign-up sheet at the back of the church

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE: There is a 7-night pilgrimage package to Medjugorje from 18th-25th October 2026 for £799. If anyone is interested, please contact John Jjuuko 07478297840. Please see the poster for more info.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PHOTOGRAPHS FINAL REMINDER:

We have been notified by Louise Kelham (Photographer) that she is closing her photography business down this year. Louise will be in the studio until 1st September but will have the website until December. Please email into the church office for the link and password for access to the photos. **Please note office hours are Tuesday and Wednesday 9am -5pm.**

ST PATRICK'S

CHURCH GARDENING: Wednesday, 10 am – 12 noon. All help is very much appreciated.

FRIDAY COFFEE MORNING: The next Coffee morning will be on August 7th. Please spread the word and come along. If anyone has any donations of Bric-à-brac or quality clothing etc. they would be most welcome.

THE DIVINE INFANT OF PRAGUE

YOUR LOCAL CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL;

Bishop Ellis Catholic Voluntary Academy, 0116 2695510

Headteacher Andrew Monaghan

www.bishopellis.leics.sch.uk

Please do contact us if you would like to visit our lovely school.

CAR PARK CAMERA! You might have noticed the new ANPR camera in the car park in Syston. From Friday 26th June, all parishioners attending Mass, and visitors to the Hall will have to input their car registration into one of the two machines we have available, either at the back of Church, or in the doorway into the Parish Hall. Once you have done this you get 24 hours parking. If you forget, please let me know! Fr Paul

SYSTON CHURCH HALL: After many years of loyal service, Helga has decided to step down from running the Hall in January. On behalf of us all I would like to thank her very much for all that she has done for our parish over the years! The hall is a vital source of income for our parish, and its future operation is vital to our future. This also means that we need new volunteers to step forward and take on this role and try to continue the successful hard work of Helga, and to continue to make our Hall a valuable asset to our parish and the community. Helga has kindly agreed to train any volunteers, so if you are interested in helping, then please either contact her or Fr. Paul as soon as possible.

GENERAL NEWS

ON SATURDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER THE ANNUAL UK MARCH FOR LIFE will take place in London. Join with thousands of others from all over the UK as we peacefully process through the streets of London to witness to the sanctity of life. There will be a coach from Leicester and all seats are FREE. Don't miss out on this opportunity, sign up today. A sign-up sheet is available at the back of the church or alternatively contact sicamartinez02@gmail.com or text to 07943 711549 to book your place.

OPPOSE ASSISTED SUICIDE. As you may have seen, the proposal to legalise assisted suicide which was rejected by the Lords in the last parliamentary session is returning to the Commons in exactly the same form on Friday 11th September. Our Bishops have asked us to oppose this legislation, on the grounds that it undermines respect for the innate value of life; that it could lead to vulnerable people feeling pressured into ending their lives; and that it risks putting many hospices and care homes in the position of no longer being able to operate. The Bishops have asked us to contact / write to our MPs once again, to express our opposition to this bill. They have provided materials to help us to do this on their website (www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide/). SPUC also offers advice on what to say to your MP ([SPUC.org.uk/Fight the Terminally Ill Adults \(End of Life\) Bill](http://SPUC.org.uk/Fight the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill)). There is only a short time before the bill is debated on 11th September. Please contact your MP as soon as possible.