



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

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Parish Priest: Fr Paul Smith – Email: paul.smith@dioceseofnottingham.uk

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Parish Administrator & Centre Manager: Mrs. Asha Philip

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

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29th Sunday of the Year

Date	Time & Place	Intention
Sat 17 th Oct	4.30pm – Divine Infant	Wynne Hummel, RIP, 1 st Anniversary
	6.30pm – St. Patrick's	Francis Colaco, RIP
Sun 18 th Oct	8.00am – St. Patrick's	Santana & Emma De Souza
	9.30am – St. Patrick's	Martin Finnegan, RIP
	11.15am – Divine Infant	Birthday Thanksgiving
Mon 19 th Oct <i>Feria</i>	10.00am – Divine Infant	Kazimieras Butkus RIP
Tue 20 th Oct <i>Feria</i>	NO MASS – St. Patrick's	NO MASS
	10.00am – Divine Infant	Catherine Morris RIP
Wed 21 st Oct <i>Feria</i>	10.00am – Divine Infant	Eileen McManus, Welfare
	7.00pm – St. Patrick's	John George Whitmore, RIP, 1 st anniversary
Thu 22 nd Oct <i>Feria</i>	NO MASS – St. Patrick's	NO MASS
	10.00am – Divine Infant	Dr Laurette Birgins Intentions
Fri 23 rd Oct <i>St. John Paul II(O)</i>	NO MASS – St. Patrick's	NO MASS
	10.00am – Divine Infant	Bill McGuirk RIP
Sat 24 th Oct <i>Saturday Mass of BVM</i>	NO MASS – St. Patrick's	NO MASS
	10.00am – Divine Infant	People of the parish

30th Sunday of the Year

Sat 24 th Oct	4.30pm – Divine Infant	Thanksgiving mass 21 st Birthday Keith Jude Mendonca
	6.30pm – St. Patrick's	Odette Mendonca
Sun 25 th Oct	8.00am – St. Patrick's	Good health of Maria Da Silva
	9.30am – St. Patrick's	Theresa Shrama, RIP
	11.15am – Divine Infant	Thanksgiving Monteiros

(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 those 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

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: £ 273.09 Plate: £ 615.40 Total: £888.49
300 club Winner: Jo Edwards No: 88 £ 75.00
Last week's Mass attendance: 447

CAFOD £548.95

White Fathers £401.25

Second Collection this weekend (17th / 18th October) for World Mission Sunday.

THE DIVINE INFANT OF PRAGUE, SYSTON

Gift aid: £46.00 Loose: £434.10 Total: £ 480.10
Last week's Mass attendance: 148

Second Collection this weekend (17th / 18th October) for World Mission Sunday.

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 November 6th. 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.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP meet Wednesday 21st October from 1.30 pm until 3.30 pm – in St. Patrick's Parish Centre. Please contact Alison for details and future activities.

SEAFARERS CHRISTMAS BOXES. Please donate your empty shoe boxes for wrapping Christmas gifts to the Seafarers. Please also donate whatever you can by way of toiletries, shaving equipment, razors cream, aftershave, hand cream, lip slave, moisturizers, shower and shampoo gel, toothbrushes, and such. Collection boxes are at the entrance to the Church at both Syston and St Patrick's We will wrap the boxes in early December for dispatch to Immingham docks, where they will be shared amongst the seafarers at the Mission there. Date to be notified later.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR SATURDAY 28TH NOVEMBER 2026 at St Patrick's Parish centre Please donate whatever you can for the Bazaar, specially bottles and chocolates for the Bottle & Chocolate tombola's, gifts for the Gift stall and other prizes for the Grand Raffle.

A sign up sheet is at the back of church. Without volunteers to help run stalls and set up the event and clear away it cannot take place. So, if you can spare a few hours of your time to help, please sign up at the back of church. If you can attend a stallholders meeting on Sunday 18th October and Sunday 8th November after 9.30am Mass, you can find out more and offer your services. Contact Maddy for more information or ideas for stalls on 07745817081 or via the Parish office. Christmas Bazaar Raffle tickets will, be available for sale in the next few weeks. 1st Prize £100 and many others, please take and sell as many as you can to relatives and friends. Thank you

ST. PATRICK'S FIRST COMMUNION: - We have now arranged the programme for First Holy Communion 2027 for children in Year 3 and above (Primary School only). If you would like your child to receive this Sacrament, forms are available at the back of the Church. Please return to the office by **30/11/2026** with a copy of their baptism certificate. There will be a parent's meeting on Friday 4th December at 6.30 pm in the parish hall when we will introduce the Catechist team and the programme and answer any questions you may have. Please note: Numbers will be limited.

🎄 SHOP FOR CHRISTMAS AND HELP OUR CHURCH! 🎄

Planning to buy Christmas presents during the Black Friday sales? You can help raise money for St Patrick's Church while shopping online at no extra cost to you!

📱 **SIGN UP TO EASYFUNDRAISING TODAY!** Don't wait until Black Friday! Get started now!

✅ **STEP 1:** Download the Easy fundraising app on your phone or tablet and sign up.

✅ **STEP 2:** Choose St Patrick's Church as your cause.

✅ **STEP 3:** When you're ready to shop, open the Easy fundraising app first and select your favourite participating store.

✅ **STEP 4:** Shop for your Christmas presents as usual, and the retailer will donate to our church at no extra cost to you!

❤️ **EVERY PURCHASE CAN HELP OUR CHURCH!**

Your everyday shopping and Black Friday bargains can help raise Valuable funds for St Patrick's Church.

👉 **NEED HELP SIGNING UP?**

Please see GINA, who will be happy to show you how it works.

🛒 **SIGN UP TODAY – SHOP ON BLACK FRIDAY – SUPPORT OUR CHURCH!** 🛒 **HAPPY SHOPPING, AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!** ❤️

CONGRATULATIONS to all the children who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last Thursday! Please keep them in your prayers as they continue their journey of faith. May the Holy Spirit guide, strengthen, and bless them as they grow closer to God each day.

THE DIVINE INFANT OF PRAGUE

SYSTON FIRST HOLY COMMUNION. We are hoping to start lessons after half term, if you would like to attend, please speak to Father after mass.

YOUR LOCAL CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL;

Bishop Ellis Catholic Voluntary Academy Open Mornings
We would love to invite you to come and visit our lovely school.

Thursday 15th October- 9:30-10:30

Saturday 7th November- 9:30-11:00

Wednesday 18th November 9:30-10:30

If you would like to join us please call on
0116 2695510 or email admin@bishopellis.leics.sch.uk

GENERAL NEWS

Retreat Day for the Parishes of Leicester & Leicestershire
A day of prayer and reflection
Saturday 31st October 2026 10.00am - 3.00pm
(Arrivals and refreshments from 9.30am)
at St Joseph's Church, Goodwood Road, Leicester LE5 6SG
led by Sr Marie-Kolbe Zamora, OSF, S.T.D
Booking essential: jackie.williams@dioceseofnottingham.uk

CATECHIST FORMATION The Diocese of Nottingham is offering three courses about being a catechist: if you are interested in being a catechist, or are just starting out, or if you have been a Catechist for a long time, there is a course for you. All courses are on Zoom on Thursday evenings, with the first course, Encounter Catechesis, exploring four big questions about the foundations of catechesis, from Thursday 5th November. Speak to your parish priest, or email formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk