

Welcome to the Catholic parishes of IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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SAINT THOMAS MORE

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Celebrating the Sacraments

Details of Mass, Liturgies and Sacrament of Reconciliation can be found on the back page for week commencing Sunday 6th January 2019

Baptism If you are thinking about having your baby or child baptised in the parish please speak to Fr. Michael in the first instance. Baptisms usually take place during Sunday Mass or at 12.30pm (Oadby) or 1.00pm (Knighton) Sunday outside of Mass.

First Reconciliation and Holy Communion for children of Year 4 and above. Preparation programme involves regular meetings for children and parents commencing September 2018 (Parents only Meetings) and January 2019 (Children only Meetings)

Confirmation for young people of secondary school age and above. Preparation programme involves a Rite of Commitment and regular meetings (including celebrating Reconciliation).

Marriage If you wish to marry please speak to Fr. Michael at least six months before your proposed wedding date. Please do not make any other arrangements concerning your wedding until Fr. Michael has confirmed the availability of the Church for your wedding.

Sacrament of the Sick As this is a Sacrament of Healing it is appropriate to request this if you are sick or before a hospital admission. Hospital chaplains can be contacted through the hospital staff or through our Parish Office. The Sacrament is no longer reserved for extreme circumstances. The Sacrament for the dying is Eucharist (Viaticum i.e. food for the journey).

Interested in the Catholic Faith? If you would find out more about the Catholic faith (no obligation to becoming a Catholic) please speak to Jackie Williams c/o the Parish Office about the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) which is an enquiry programme for those interested in the faith.

Sacrament of Reconciliation is also available on request or by appointment with Fr. Michael

Mass Intentions Envelopes are available in the narthex for this. Please indicate if the Mass is for a deceased person, sick person, or other intention. Mass will be celebrated on requested dates if the date is available. Please indicate on envelope your preferred date.

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the
Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

First reading **Isaiah 60:1-6**

Arise, shine out, Jerusalem, for your light
has come,
the glory of the Lord is rising on you,
though night still covers the earth
and darkness the peoples.
Above you the Lord now rises
and above you his glory appears.
The nations come to your light
and kings to your dawning brightness.
Lift up your eyes and look round:
all are assembling and coming towards you,
your sons from far away
and your daughters being tenderly carried.
At this sight you will grow radiant,
your heart throbbing and full;

since the riches of the sea will flow to you,
the wealth of the nations come to you;
camels in throngs will cover you,
and dromedaries of Midian and Ephah;
everyone in Sheba will come,
bringing gold and incense
and singing the praise of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 71(72):1-2,7-8,10-13

*All nations shall fall prostrate before you,
O Lord.*

O God, give your judgement to the king,
to a king's son your justice,
that he may judge your people in justice
and your poor in right judgement.

*All nations shall fall prostrate before you,
O Lord.*

In his days justice shall flourish
and peace till the moon fails.
He shall rule from sea to sea,
from the Great River to earth's bounds.

*All nations shall fall prostrate before you,
O Lord.*

The kings of Tarshish and the sea coasts
shall pay him tribute.
The kings of Sheba and Seba
shall bring him gifts.
Before him all kings shall fall prostrate,
all nations shall serve him.

*All nations shall fall prostrate before you,
O Lord.*

For he shall save the poor when they cry
and the needy who are helpless.
He will have pity on the weak
and save the lives of the poor.

*All nations shall fall prostrate before you,
O Lord.*

Second reading **Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6**

You have probably heard how I have been entrusted by God with the grace he meant for you, and that it was by a revelation that I was given the knowledge of the mystery. This mystery that has now been revealed through the Spirit to his holy apostles and prophets was unknown to any men in past generations; it means that pagans now share the same inheritance, that they are parts of the same body, and that the same promise has been made to them, in Jesus Christ, through the gospel.

Gospel AcclamationMt2:2

Alleluia, alleluia!

We saw his star as it rose
and have come to do the Lord homage.
Alleluia!

Gospel **Matthew 2:1-12**

After Jesus had been born at Bethlehem in Judaea during the reign of King Herod, some wise men came to Jerusalem from the east. 'Where is the infant king of the Jews?' they asked. 'We saw his star as it rose and have come to do him homage.' When King Herod heard this he was perturbed, and so was the whole of Jerusalem. He called together all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, and enquired of them where the Christ was to be born. 'At Bethlehem in Judaea,' they told him 'for this is what the prophet wrote:

*And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
you are by no means least among the
leaders of Judah,
for out of you will come a leader
who will shepherd my people Israel.'*

Then Herod summoned the wise men to see him privately. He asked them the exact date on which the star had appeared, and sent them on to Bethlehem. 'Go and find out all about the child,' he said 'and when you have found him, let me know, so that I too may

go and do him homage.' Having listened to what the king had to say, they set out. And there in front of them was the star they had seen rising; it went forward, and halted over the place where the child was. The sight of the star filled them with delight, and going into the house they saw the child with his mother Mary, and falling to their knees they did him homage. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh. But they were warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, and returned to their own country by a different way.

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The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God,
Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the
Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation he came
down from heaven,
*At the words that follow, up to and including
'and became man', all bow.*
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the
Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius
Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory

to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the
giver of life, who proceeds from the Father
and the Son, who with the Father and the
Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic
Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of
sins and I look forward to the resurrection of
the dead and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

Memorial Acclamation

Save us, Saviour of the world,
for by your Cross and Resurrection
you have set us free.

Once upon a time in Bethlehem...

Christmas isn't over yet

As the Christmas season comes to a close
and we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord
next weekend we are called to reflect on our

own baptismal calling. Jesus had many
women and men encouraging and
supporting him during his life on earth as do
each of us. The Deconstructing the Crib
liturgy on the afternoon of Sunday 13th
January at Knighton invites each of us to
pause and reflect with grateful thanks and
prayer for those who support us in our daily
lives. It will be on that afternoon that the
crib will once again be packed away until
next Christmas; the end of Christmas
festivities but for each of us, baptised into
the life, death and resurrection of Jesus the
Christ it is an ongoing story, to be continued
throughout the year; throughout a lifetime.



Please remember in your prayers...

Cycle of prayer for Advent and Christmastide: Openness to the Word of God;
Migrants and Refugees; Expectant Mothers; Survivors of Sexual Abuse

**The names of our sick and housebound parishioners
as placed by the statue of our Parish Patrons...**

Immaculate Conception, Oadby

St. Thomas More, Knighton

Please note that we are only be able to publish in the newsletter/ website and display by our Patronal statues the names of those we have evidence of giving consent to do so. Forms are available in the narthex of both parishes for consent to be given either by the individual or their relative(s) if individuals are unable to do so.

Those who have recently died...

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time...

Financial Matters...

Thank you for your generosity

	<i>Immaculate Conception</i>	<i>Saint Thomas More</i>
Envelopes	£114.50	£256.00
Loose	£185.02	£286.27
Standing Orders	£140.00	£435.00
Poor and Needy Parishes	-	£3.00
Coffee	-	£6.05
Repository/Publications	-	£3.00
Candles	-	£166.89
Newsletters	-	£15.19
Hall Use	-	£70.00

NRCDT Company Number: 7151646 & Charity Number: 1134449

Many thanks for your generous November Dead List Offerings.

A total of £625.20 has been donated to LOROS

This coming week...

Sunday 6th January 4.30pm **“Everything Except Temptation”** at the Mary Forryan Centre, St.Peter’s Catholic Church in Hinckley. Tickets £4.00 adults and £3.00 concession available from St.Peter’s Priory, Leicester Road, Hinckley LE10 1LW 📧 hinckleypriory@gmail.com ☎️ 01455 634443

Tuesday 8th January **New Year Lunch** Oadby 12.30pm for 1.00pm sponsored by the Oadby Coffee Club Cost £ 16.00 per person If you wish to participate please contact Ted Ludlow after 11.00am Sunday Mass or telephone 271 3755

Wednesday 9th January **RCIA** 7.15pm – 8.45pm The Christmas stories for Adults

Thursday 10th January **Deepening Our Faith** 7.15pm – 8.45pm
Exploring the meaning of the Twelve Days of Christmas

Friday 11th January **Francis: A Man of His Word** 7.30pm Come along and see the DVD documenting the words of Pope Francis on the big screen in the Parish Room, Knighton
Please feel free to bring your own refreshments and drinks.
Entrance by donation for the Homeless of Leicester.

Saturday 12th January **First Holy Communion Meeting for Children**
2.00pm - 4.00pm Knighton

Sunday 13th January **First Holy Communion Meeting for Children** 10.45am Oadby

Sunday 13th January 4.00pm **Deconstructing the Crib Liturgy**
An opportunity to reflect on our baptism and to pray for those who support us in our baptismal vocation and life journey as we put away the Crib for another year

Dates for your diary...

Thursday 17th January 7.30pm **Parish Pastoral Council, Knighton**

Tuesday 29th January **Oadby Coffee Morning** after 10.00am Service of the Word
Please note there is no Coffee Morning in December

Sunday 27th January **Oadby Tote Draw** after 11.00am Mass

December winners First Prize number 3 and Second Prize number 18

We are now receiving subs for the new year and hope you will continue to support the Tote

Monday 4th February **Parishes Together Charity Supper** at Cuisine of India, Wigston
£16.00 per person Tickets on sale now - see your parish rep for tickets -
Peter Kilty at Knighton or Ted Ludlow at Oadby

Ministries that especially need your help in both parishes...

We are looking for **Doorkeepers and Welcomers**. This involves arriving about 25 minutes before Mass begins in order to greet everyone on arrival with a smile and a hymn book/newsletter. They are responsible for taking the offertory collection, overseeing the offertory procession and ensuring monies are placed in a secure place after Mass. Our ministers of welcome should be familiar with the layout of the Church and be able to accompany late arrivals to vacant seats in the Church (This ensures the narthex is kept clear for safety reasons), know where the facilities (toilets and changing stations) are located and also aware of how to provide assistance when required e.g. location of first aid box. They also need to be aware of fire escape routes and ensure these are kept clear at all times. The biggest qualification for this role is that of a warm smile to greet regular and visitor alike; all other information will be provided. If you can help, either as an individual or couple, please let the parish office know.

We also need **Cleaners**. We have a dedicated group of cleaners who have vacuumed, dusted and swept our Churches for many years but numbers have dwindled and we are appealing for your help in ensuring our Churches are kept clean and tidy. The role involves vacuuming the Church, sanctuary (swept at Knighton) and narthex and dusting pews and statues. Those currently doing this ministry estimate it takes two people two hours per week to complete. All materials and equipment are provided and it can be done at any time during the week convenient to yourselves. Please note, toilets are not included in the cleaning responsibilities. If you can help, either as an individual, couple or family group, please let the parish office know.

Ministries...

Thank you for your ministry. If you are unable to fulfil your role, please arrange an exchange and ask your replacement to make themselves known to Father or Sacristan on arrival.

Weekly Liturgical Programme week commencing 6th January 2019

Sunday Readings Year C

Weekday Readings I

Prayer of the Church 2

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Saturday 5th January

5.30pm Knighton

Sacrament of Reconciliation

6.00pm Knighton

Vigil Mass

Rosary after Mass

Sunday 6th January

9.00am Knighton

Mass All Parishioners

Tea and Coffee after Mass

11.00am Oadby

Mass

Tea and Coffee after Mass

Monday 7th January

Monday after the Epiphany

8.45am Knighton

Morning Prayer

9.00am Knighton

Mass

Tuesday 8th January

Tuesday after the Epiphany

10.00am Oadby

Service of the Word and Holy Communion

Wednesday 9th January

Wednesday after the Epiphany

12.00pm Oadby

Mass

2.00pm Knighton

Funeral Mass

Followed by burial at Wigston Cemetery

Thursday 10th January

Thursday after the Epiphany

10.00am Knighton

Mass

Drop In after Mass

Friday 11th January

Friday after the Epiphany

9.00am Knighton

Mass

Saturday 12th January

Saint Aelred of Rievaulx, Abbot

10.00am Oadby

Mass

10.30am Oadby

Sacrament of Reconciliation

5.30pm Knighton

Sacrament of Reconciliation

6.00pm Knighton

Vigil Mass All Parishioners

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Sunday 13th January

9.00am Knighton

Mass Eddie Trinder RIP

Tea and Coffee after Mass

11.00am Oadby

Mass

First Holy Communion prep at 10.45am

Children's Liturgy, Tea and Coffee after Mass

4.00pm Knighton

Deconstructing the Crib Liturgy

*May God's blessing be with you all,
Father Michael and Father Kevin*