

Welcome to the Catholic parishes of IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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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 3rd March 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 (Knighon) 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.

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 **Ecclesiasticus 27:5-8**

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind,
so too the defects of a man appear in his
talk. The kiln tests the work of the potter,
the test of a man is in his conversation. The
orchard where a tree grows is judged on the
quality of its fruit, similarly a man's words
betray what he feels. Do not praise a man
before he has spoken, since this is the test
of men.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 91(92):2-3,13-16

It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to make music to your name, O Most
High,
to proclaim your love in the morning
and your truth in the watches of the
night.

It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.

The just will flourish like the palm tree
and grow like a Lebanon cedar.

It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.

Planted in the house of the Lord
they will flourish in the courts of our
God,
still bearing fruit when they are old,
still full of sap, still green,
to proclaim that the Lord is just.
In him, my rock, there is no wrong.

It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.

Second reading

1 Corinthians 15:54-58

When this perishable nature has put on
imperishability, and when this mortal nature
has put on immortality, then the words of
scripture will come true: *Death is swallowed
up in victory. Death, where is your victory?
Death, where is your sting?* Now the sting of
death is sin, and sin gets its power from the
Law. So let us thank God for giving us the
victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Never give in then, my dear brothers,
never admit defeat; keep on working at the
Lord's work always, knowing that, in the
Lord, you cannot be labouring in vain.

Gospel Acclamation

cf.Ac16:14

Alleluia, alleluia! Open our heart, O Lord,
to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 6:39-45

Jesus told a parable to his disciples: 'Can one blind man guide another? Surely both will fall into a pit? The disciple is not superior to his teacher; the fully trained disciple will always be like his teacher. Why do you observe the splinter in your brother's eye and never notice the plank in your own? Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye first, and then you will see clearly enough to take out the splinter that is in your brother's eye.

'There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit. For every tree can be told by its own fruit: people do not pick figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from brambles. A good man draws what is good from the store of goodness in his heart; a bad man draws what is bad from the store of badness. For a man's words flow out of what fills his heart.'

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

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.

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Please remember in your prayers...

Cycle of prayer during Ordinary Time - Winter:

Peace on earth; Christian Unity; The Sick and those who care for them; Victims of Human Trafficking and those who work to combat it; Students and Teachers; The Unemployed

**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 whose anniversaries occur at this time...

Those who have died recently...

Sister Catherine Houlihan RIP (former Head Teacher, Evington Hall Grammar School)
To their family and friends we offer our sympathy and the support of our prayer at this time

Sister Catherine Houlihan RIP Funeral Mass will take place at St Paul's Convent, 94 Selly Park Road, Birmingham B29 7LL on 14th March at 11.00am. If you are able to attend the Sisters have asked that you telephone to inform them of numbers 0121 415 6100

Financial Matters...

Thank you for your generosity

NRCDT Company Number: 7151646 & Charity Number: 1134449

This coming week...

In accordance with Diocesan Guidelines, a Parish Finance Statement will be read at all Masses this weekend and a copy of the Diocesan Planned Giving and Gift Aid and Legacy leaflet is included in this newsletter.

Monday 4th March **Deanery Meeting, Hinckley** 11.30am
Finance Meeting 6.00pm Knighton

Wednesday 6th March **Ash Wednesday opens the Season of Lent
Mass and Distribution of the Ashes** 9.15am Knighton and 7.00pm Oadby

Saturday 9th March

First Holy Communion Children's Preparation Meeting, Knighton 2.00pm – 4.00pm

Saturday 9th March **'God in my life: Invitation, Mission and Gratitude'** 2.00pm - 4.30pm
Rosmini Centre led by Deacon David Knight

Please contact 01509 813078 or djtobinic@gmail.com to confirm attendance

Sunday 10th March **Rite of Election 3.00pm St Barnabas Cathedral Nottingham**

Churches Together in Oadby Ecumenical Lent Course based on the film "The Way"

Study sessions at Zeph's Café at Trinity Methodist Church 7.30pm – 9.15pm on Wednesdays
13th 20th 27th March and 3rd and 10th April
Each study session will be led by a different denominational Minister

Dates for your diary...

Friday 15th March **CAFOD Lent Fast Day**

Saturday 16th March **St. Patrick's Day Mass with Bishop Patrick McKinney**
11.00am at St. Patrick's Church, Beaumont Leys Lane LE4 2BD
Followed by refreshments and music in the Parish Centre until 2.30pm

Sunday 17th March **Leicester Irish Society 50th Anniversary Celebratory Luncheon**
1.30pm Devonshire Place, 78-80 London Road, Leicester LE2 0RA
Contact Elaine Godber 0775 369 3917 or godbers5@sky.com before 1st March for tickets

Wednesday 20th March **Station Mass, St Mary's, South Wigston**
6.55pm Sacrament of Reconciliation 7.30pm Mass

Thursday 21st March **Parish Pastoral Council, Knighton 7.30pm**

Saturday 23rd March **First Holy Communion Children's Preparation Meeting, Knighton**
2.00pm – 4.00pm

Wednesday 27th March **Station Mass, St Peter's, Hinckley LE10 1LW**
6.55pm Sacrament of Reconciliation 7.30pm Mass

Wednesday 10th April **Station Mass, Our Lady of Victories, Market Harborough**
6.55pm Sacrament of Reconciliation 7.30pm Mass

First Holy Communion, Oadby 2019/20

Names are already being requested for the 2019/20 programme for the Oadby parish. If you wish for your child to receive the sacrament of First Holy communion please send an expression of interest email to Bernie Stribling, (children's liturgy leaders at Immaculate Conception church) Berniestribling@googlemail.com

Nottingham Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage under the leadership of Bishop Patrick McKinney

"Blessed are the poor, for the kingdom of God is yours"

14th – 19th July 2019 Travelling by air and train

Enquiries www.tangney-tours.com or 01732 886666

Booking forms available in the narthex

Saturday 30th November **St Thomas More Parish Bazaar** We would like to hold a Craft Stall at the next Parish Fair and are appealing to our parishioners, from Knighton, Oadby and beyond, to contribute one or more items to the stall. We are looking for anyone who has a hobby in crafts e.g. Knitting, Candle-Making, Painting, Pottery etc. and who are happy to donate to the stall. This is a fantastic opportunity to sell bespoke Christmas gift items at this Parish Festive Event. For further information please contact Rosanna De Marco-Coxon by email; rosanna.demarco@btinternet.com. So go on..... get Crafty!!!....Thank you

Renewal Days for Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion...

Our EMHC attend a Renewal Days as part of their commitment to the ministry each year.

Saturday 13th April at Our Lady of Victories, Market Harborough led by Fr O'Neill

or

Saturday 8th June at St. Joseph's, Goodwood Road, Leicester led by Fr John Daley

Both days begin at 10.30am with refreshments (First talk 11.00am) and are expected to conclude by 3.30pm. A packed lunch is required. Tea/coffee provided.

Attendance of the full day is expected

Please let the parish office know by Monday 10th March which day you will be able to attend as we have been asked to submit names and numbers centrally.

The Spring edition of the newsletter for EMHC has also been sent out electronically. If you require a hard copy, please let the Parish Office know and a copy can be provided.

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 3rd March 2019

Sunday Readings Year C

Weekday Readings I

Prayer of the Church 4

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 2nd March

5.30pm Knighton

Sacrament of Reconciliation

6.00pm Knighton

Vigil Mass

Sunday 3rd March

9.00am Knighton

Mass

Children's Liturgy, Tea and Coffee after Mass

11.00am Oadby

Mass All Parishioners

Children's Liturgy, Tea and Coffee after Mass

1.00pm Knighton

Baptism

Monday 4th March

8.45am Knighton

Feria

Morning Prayer

9.00am Knighton

Mass

Tuesday 5th March

Feria

10.00am Oadby	Service of the Word and Holy Communion
Wednesday 6th March	ASH WEDNESDAY Day of Fasting and Abstinence
9.15am Knighton	Mass
7.00pm Oadby	Mass
Thursday 7th March	Saints Felicity and Perpetua, Martyrs
10.00am Knighton	Mass
	<i>Drop In after Mass</i>
Friday 8th March	Saint John of God, Religious
9.00am Knighton	Mass 12.00pm
6.00pm Oadby	Stations of the Cross
Saturday 9th March	Lenten Feria
10.00am Oadby	Mass
10.30am Oadby	Sacrament of Reconciliation
5.30pm Knighton	Sacrament of Reconciliation
6.00pm Knighton	Vigil Mass All Parishioners

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Sunday 10th March	
9.00am Knighton	Mass
	<i>Children's Liturgy, Tea and Coffee after Mass</i>
11.00am Oadby	Mass
	<i>Children's Liturgy, Tea and Coffee after Mass</i>
3.00pm Nottingham	Rite of Election, St Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham
4.00pm Knighton	Stations of the Cross

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