

Gospel

Matthew 3:13-17

Jesus appeared: he came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptised by John. John tried to dissuade him. 'It is I who need baptism from you' he said 'and yet you come to me!' But Jesus replied, 'Leave it like this for the time being; it is fitting that we should, in this way, do all that righteousness demands.' At this, John gave in to him.

As soon as Jesus was baptised he came up from the water, and suddenly the heavens opened and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming down on him. And a voice spoke from heaven, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on him.'



Newsletter Items by Wednesday am. Thank you

Weekly Devotions

Wednesdays after Mass until
10.00am at St. Theresa's
Friday 9.15am at Sacred Heart

RECONCILIATION

"Be courageous and go to confession! Jesus will receive you; he will receive you with so much love" (Pope Francis)
5.45 to 6.15 before Saturday Mass or by Appointment.

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The Baptism of the Lord

SATURDAY	Saturday after Epiphany 6.30 pm St Theresa's	Redmond Newell Snr. (RIP)
SUNDAY	The Baptism of the Lord 9.15 am St. Theresa's 9.30 am St. Theresa's 11.00am Sacred Heart	Angelus and Rosary Michael Mulligan (RIP) Mass
MONDAY	Feria 9.00 am St Theresa's	Mass
TUESDAY	Feria 9.15 am Sacred Heart	Mass
WEDNESDAY	Feria 9.00 am St. Theresa's	Mass
THURSDAY	Feria	
FRIDAY	St Anthony, Abbot 9.15 am Sacred Heart 9.45 am Sacred Heart 7.00 pm St. Theresa's	Adoration Mass Mass
SATURDAY	Feria 6.30 pm St Theresa's	Mass
SUNDAY	2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time 9.15 am St. Theresa's 9.30 am St. Theresa's 11.00am Sacred Heart	Angelus and Rosary Sandra & Helen Murphy (RIP) Mass

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**SAFEGUARDING
OFFICERS**
St Theresa's
Lucy Joyce
Sacred Heart
John Mumford

Can we all make a big effort to be silent in Church before the start of Mass so as to establish an atmosphere of prayer prior to our celebration of the Eucharist. Thank you

Prayer Group will resume on **Monday 13th January at 7pm in Fr Keating Hall**. The Bishops' Conference of England and Wales have begun an initiative entitled "The God who Speaks: The Year of the Word" and its aim is to encourage parishioners to embark at this time on a creative and deeper engagement with the Holy Scriptures. All are welcome to "Pray with Scripture" using mainly Matthew's Gospel and we hope to meet once a month usually on the **first Monday**.

FIRE ASSEMBLY POINTS – For your own safety, will you please note where your Fire Assembly Points are situated.

St. Theresa's is by the wall in the front of the garage.

Sacred Heart is at the top end of the car park fence side, past the hall.

FLOWERS AT THE CHURCH – If at any time you would like to make a contribution to the flowers for an anniversary or special occasion, please speak to any of the flower arrangers.

Mobile Phones – Please ensure your phones are turned off/silent prior to Mass starting.

THEMES OF CATHOLICISM – Fr. Ted will be running a course of 10 DVD's on themes of Catholicism by Bishop Robert Barron, starting on January 30th from 7.00 pm to 8.30 pm in the Parish Hall at St Theresa's.

MATTHEW'S GOSPEL – There are now in the Narthex of both churches copies of Matthew's Gospel at £1.00 each.

SAFEGUARDING - Due to safeguarding it is best practice for two people to go out with the children for their liturgies during Sunday morning Mass. We already have a rota of leaders, but we are looking for people who are willing to be DBS checked to go on a rota to help the leaders with the children. If you can do this please let Brenda Bentham, John Mumford, or Father Ted know. Thanks.

Family Hub. Friday 7th February. 7.30pm to 9pm St Theresa's. Come and get to know your fellow parishioners in a relaxed atmosphere. Everyone welcome from the youngest to the oldest. Refreshments provided.

MARK HICKENBOTHAM – Would like to thank Father Ted, the helpers and the parishioners for their donations, and the children for their support. Thank you to Claire and Daphne for the surprise parties and gifts. Looking forward to a new chapter with the youth group. Love Mark.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE – If you find that your deceased loved one's name is not in the book please PRINT their name on a piece of paper and hand it in through the presbytery door. We will then add them to the list. PLEASE DO NOT WRITE ON THE SHEETS IN THE FOLDER. Thank you.

To mark the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity everyone is invited to a shared lunch at **12 noon** followed by a short service to **Rothley Methodist Church, Howe Lane on Tuesday 21st January**. All are welcome.

Carolyn and Richard Saddington would like to thank everyone for their kind thoughts and prayers and to say that Richard is progressing well.

For Sale St Patrick's Mothers' Day, Easter and 1st Communion cards are now in stock at both Churches. Get first Choice by buying early.

The National Scripture Tour. A day with Scripture. Saturday 22nd February 2020. Holy Trinity Parish Centre, Newark Notts. NG24 4AU Visit anytime between 10am and 4.30pm Pete Codling will be showcasing his work.

Year of the Word. Day of Prayers 2020. Saturday 18th January 2020. St Peter's Church Hinckley LE10 1LW. Encounter Jesus and be Missionary Disciples through St. Matthew's Gospel. 10.00 am – 3.00pm

Pilgrimage to Lourdes and Nevers by Coach June 13th – 20th 2020

(Pick up in Nottingham, Derby and Leicester)

The cost is £595 per person. This price includes Coach and Ferry travel, overnight stay with Bed and Breakfast at the Welcome Break hotel in Orleans on the way out, full board at the Hotel Irlande in Lourdes, half board at the Kyriad Hotel in Nevers on the way back. In addition to this there's an optional excursion to Gavarnie, a Ski Resort in the Pyrenees.

For more information and a booking form please contact Fr. John McCay at jmccay1982@yahoo.co.uk or 0115 9810320

Parish Pilgrimage to Lisieux by Coach March 2nd – 5th 2020

(Pick up in Nottingham, Derby and Leicester)

The cost of the Pilgrimage is £345. We will begin our Pilgrimage with a Guided visit to the Cathedral in Lisieux and then to the Basilica dedicated to St. Therese, to the house where she grew up and to the Carmel where she lived and died. In addition to this there'll be an optional excursion to Hon Fleur

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FISH AND CHIP SUPPER THURSDAY 13TH FEBRUARY – at 7pm in Fr. Keating Hall Sacred Heart. Tickets £8 now available from Gordon, Daphne, Hazel, Veronica. Limited numbers so please book early.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 22nd January – Parish in Council Meeting at St Theresa's @ 7pm

Thursday 13th February – Fish and Chip Supper at Sacred Heart. Please Book Early.

Friday 7th February – Care Hub – St Theresa's All welcome

Final total raised for the Salvation Army was £1035. They have received the money with thanks.