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PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Those who are ill: Ann Nunn, Owen Jenkinson, Dorothy Howard, Pat Tiger, John Dean, Patricia Kerr, Shirley Kirkham, Paddy Shillington, Margaret & Robert Gwynne, Kevin Keeley, Mary Norburn, Judith Brook, Sally Shillington, Catherine Keeley, Pam Stephens, Diane Benton, Patricia & Spencer Harvey. Fr. James Lynch, Joseph Wilson, Laura Guest, Odessa Louise-Therese, John Thompson, Shaun Hewson, Winnie Copp, Thecla Domici.

Those who have died recently: S. Mary's: David Cummings, Bernie Smallbone, Peter Endean, Eileen Adams, Irene Mander, Lea Small, David Peter Stubbs. S. **Joseph's:** Christopher Beal, Claire Sheldrake, Anne Powell, Sandra Watkinson, Brenda Smith.

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Violet Jean Scott, Anthony Cronin, Michael Bolan, Hector John Stubbs, Jacob Waumsley, Margaret Halligan, Mary Lakin, Helen Webb, Mary Hewitt, Annie Elizabeth Scott, Catherine Dand, **Edwin Wrigley**, Gertrude Florence Ironside, George Andrews.

EIGHTEENTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

3rd - 9th August 2025, Year C, Psalter Week II

Sunday, 3 rd August		Eighteenth Sunday of the Year	
* 18.15 S. Mary's		Persecuted Christians of Syria	
* 9.00	S. Mary's	All cancer sufferers	
* 11.30	S. Joseph's	The People	
Monday, 4 th A	ugust	S. John Mary Vianney	
		NO MASS	
Tuesday, 5th A	ugust	Dedication of the Basilica of S. Mary Major	
10.00	S. Joseph's	Father John Warnaby of Westminster (+)	
Wednesday, 6th	h August	THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD	

10.00		S. Joseph's	Father Derek Powney of Brentwood (+)	
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S. Sixtus & Companions

W. C. (intentions)

Friday, 8th August

S. Dominic

NO MASS

S. Mary's

10.00

Thursday, 7th August

Saturday, 9th August

MASS TIMINGS AND INTENTIONS

10.00	S. Mary's	M. V. (special intentions)
10.45 - 11.45	S. Mary's	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament w/ the Holy Rosary
		& Confessions

S. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

*18.15 S. Mary's The Shillingtons

Sunday, 10 th A	ugust	Nineteenth Sunday of the Year
* 9.00	S. Mary's	Pat Nixon (+)
* 11.30	S. Joseph's	Donald (intentions)

Please Note. Confessions may be made available before all Masses upon request

Teas & coffees after the 10 AM Masses on Wednesdays (S. Mary's) and Thursdays (S. Joseph's), and after the 9 AM Mass on Sundays (S. Mary's)

^{*} Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – for a half hour before the Sunday Masses

NOTICES

- ◆ Weekly Parish Sessions:
 - · All About Catholicism w/ Fr Kevin, Mondays at 6 PM
 - Bible Study w/ Fr Kevin, Thursdays at 6 PM

Join us at the presbytery in Louth or online on Microsoft Teams. Please email for the online link, specifying which session you'd like to attend.

- ◆ Pilgrimage to Rome & Assisi for the Canonisation of Carlo Acutis. 5th to 8th September. Book here: https://www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/ra1087/
- ◆ Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadelupe, Mexico with Father Kevin, 16th to 24th Sept. Book: https://www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/MX0994>
- ◆ For all diocesan events, go to: <dioceseofnottingham.uk/events>

Saint Mary's, Louth

- ◆ The monthly CAFOD collection takes place this weekend 2nd / 3rd Aug.
- ◆ PLEASE NOTE that the church loft is closed temporarily due to Health and Safety concerns until some essential maintenance works are completed.
- ◆ Our **Women's Fellowship group** will next meet on Tuesday, 12th August at 6.15 PM in the parish centre. All are welcome.
- We are now able to take donations via credit/debit cards.
- ◆ We are grateful for any donations to **S Mary's Maintenance Fund**: **Acct name** St Marys Louth RCP; **Acct no.** 00108605; **Sort code** 30-95-22

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- ◆ YaYah Club for the Young and the Young at Heart. Wednesdays 6.30 to 7.30 PM. Pray together. Play together. Study aspects of our faith learn to love being a Catholic and enjoy belonging to Christ's Church.
- ◆ S. Joseph's Repository: We have a selection of excellent value cards for all occasions, books and other religious items available for sale. Do drop by.:)

It was with great joy that English Catholics have heard this last week that the Holy Father is to name our Cardinal S. John Henry Newman (whose last home some of us visited recently) as a Doctor of the Universal Church, an unusual honour that has been given given to a handful of Saints, who through their words have drawn and continue to draw souls to Christ. Please always pray for the English Church.



A WORD FROM FATHER KEVIN



The Christian approaches the questions of evil in this world and the seeming futility of human effort by pointing beyond death to a world beyond. We Christians live in a world of ruin, we live as a light in the darkness, preserving a vision of life and eternity in the midst of change and decay. S. Paul says in our second reading that we are to look for eternal things, heavenly things, and not to treasure the

material things of this world. This doesn't mean that material possessions are essentially bad or evil - rather, we are to treat them not as ends in themselves, but as a means to arrive at eternal things. Chase after Charity and generosity, benevolence and integrity - not after reward and possession. We see this theme once more in our gospel story today. Two brothers are quarrelling about an inheritance, and the one approaches Christ to ask for His magisterial help with his own case. The Holy One is very clear - He has come to teach the abandonment of such things as material possession, so they who seek earthly things cannot expect His assistance. The parable He then tells also speaks of the futility of material possession, and he echoes the psalms and the book of Ecclesiastes when He says, You cannot take any of it beyond this life. So choose the only thing that matters - choose only God.

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Holy Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray. And do thou, O prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.