

Masses & Services this Week

Saturday 30th June	6.00pm Joint English & Polish Mass followed by a parish social celebration in the Hall—everyone welcome.
Sunday 1st July	11.00am Parish Mass with Bishop Patrick, followed by Parish celebration/Hog Roast—everyone welcome!
Monday 2nd	9.15am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass:(Matsie Wallace RIP)
Tuesday 3rd <i>St. Thomas</i>	9.15am Morning Prayer 9.30am Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Wednesday 4th <i>St. Elizabeth of Portugal</i>	6.30pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7.00pm Mass: (Private Intention)
Thursday 5th	9.15am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass: (Private Intention) <small>CA</small>
Friday 6th	11.30am Requiem Mass for Patricia ('Pat') McGilloway RIP 7.00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions 7.30pm Mass in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (Frank Hughes RIP)
Saturday 7th	9.00am Mass: (Private Intention) (Confessions) 4.00pm Confessions 4.30pm Vigil Mass: (Holy Souls especially FOSS) <small>GM</small>
Sunday 8th <i>Fourteenth Sunday of the Year (B)</i>	8.00am Mass: (People of the Parish) 11.00am Mass: (Wenefryde Le Compt & Margaret Lee RIP)

Please note the changes to our usual programme.

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Alice Mulholland, aunt of Ros Mulholland-Guillick, who died during the week – may she rest in peace.

PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION & SAINT NORBERT

1st July 2018

13th Sunday of the Year (B)

Psalter 1

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Parish Mission 2018



In memory of
Robert Baden Smith RIP

ONE FAMILY IN CHRIST

Our Parish Mission began in our parish school, St. Norbert's, on the 11th June—the pupils and staff participated in a faith led, Spirit charged week celebrating God's loving presence. It was a joy to see children, staff, governors and visitors celebrating and praising God in prayer, song and drama! We bade farewell to the school mission team on the 15th June.

The following day, we welcomed the Visiting Team—joined by Deacon Dennis and some parishioners, they visited over 400 homes during the week. They (the visiting team) wished to convey their thanks to everyone for their warm welcome and the openness and hospitality of all those who welcomed them into their homes.

The Visiting Team left us last Saturday (23rd June) and later that day the Celebration Team arrived, and they have led us in an extraordinary week. So many members of the three teams have mentioned the great family spirit that exists here in this parish...

Today we are honoured to welcome Bishop Patrick to celebrate our closing Mission Mass; and we thank him for making time in his busy schedule to be with us today—and, it is an opportunity for us to thank him for his ministry to us, and to the Diocese.

It would be impossible to thank everyone who has played any part in the mission—a general thanks will have to suffice. I know that after 22 years, Fr. Ged will soon be leaving The Sion Community to take up his first appointment as a parish priest in the Diocese of Salford. We thank God for Fr. Ged's commitment and ministry to the Church during his time as a member of the Sion Community, and wish him every blessing in his new appointment, wherever that may be. Allegra is also moving on from the community after 12 years; she is going to work in full time ministry within a London parish—we wish her every blessing for the future too.

Deacon Johnny, Amanda & Teresa have also been wonderful to be with and we have all be touched by their ministry this week—may God continue to bless them and all those we have met during our

please obtain an application form from the sacristy or the parish office.

First Holy Communion 2019: We will be starting a new programme in September—application forms will be available from next weekend from the sacristy or the parish office.

Journey of Faith: Each year we offer a 'Journey of Faith' programme for Catholics who want to 'brush up' on their understanding of our Church, and our faith; we also offer this programme for those who are not members of the Church—some may be considering the possibility of joining the Church, but this is never taken for granted. If you would like to know more, please speak with Fr. Jim in complete confidence.

The Permanent Diaconite: For a long time now Fr. Jim has tried to facilitate an informal meeting for any men and their families who may consider the possibility serving the Church and our parish as permanent deacons. If you are interested in such a meeting, please make an appointment to meet with Fr. Jim (in complete confidence). More information will be given after the Summer holidays.

The Newsletter: Katherine will be compiling the newsletter in Fr. Jim's absence—all items should be sent directly to Katherine: admin@stnorberts.org.uk; telephone: 01775 722056 (option '1').

Some amusing misprints:

Peanut Butter & Grilled Corn: Let everyone grill their own ears, using long skewers to do it.

The glamorous 17 year old wants to be a policewoman some day, just like her father.

All appointments are effective from the 17th September 2018.

In our deanery we will be saying farewell to Fr. Peter in Skegness and we look forward to welcoming Fr. Dominic O'Connor. Fr. Daniel is also moving on to serve the Polish community in London, a new priest will be joining Fr. Stan shortly. Please do remember to pray for all those who serve our Diocese, and please do pray for more vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and Religious Life within our Diocese of Nottingham.

Gospel Reflection: In today's Gospel, as Jesus restores the daughter of Jairus to life, he gently commands her to rise from her bed. He speaks in his Aramaic language: *'Talitha cumi'*. This is one of the rare occasions when the actual Aramaic words come directly from Jesus to our ears through the scriptures. He says, "Little girl arise." The late professor William Barclay surmised in his book *'The Gospel of Mark'* that "Mark got his information directly from Peter." Mark was writing the Gospel in Greek, but Barclay said that "Peter could never forget Jesus' voice, and in his mind and memory he would hear that Talitha cumi all of his life." This Aramaic call to life is contrasted with the mournful Aramaic words Jesus spoke in the depths. As Jesus hung from the cross, he cried out: "Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachtani?" Father, why have you forsaken me.

Let us ask Jesus for the healing we need and for the grace to become instruments of healing for others.

Let us continue to pray for the Sion Community who leave us today; especially for Fr. Ged and Allegra as they move on to new pastures.

For Bishop Patrick who celebrates the third anniversary of his Episcopal Ordination this week.

For a good summer...for the safety of travellers, the reunion of families and friends, for rest and recreation that energises us for a new day.

Baptism: If you are planning to have your child baptised in the parish,

Mission.

We have received a number of very generous donations towards the cost of the Mission, for which we are very grateful; however, we have received the sum of £2,000 from the estate of the late Robert Baden Smith; please remember Robert and all our benefactors in your prayers.

Is this the end of our Parish Mission? I think the Sion Community and Bishop Patrick would hope not!! Renewed in our faith—our Parish Mission starts today!

Watch this space!

Thank you all, once again, and may God bless us all and keep us as 'One Family in Christ'.

Fr. Jim

Please pray for our sick and housebound parishioners: Mike Bertolaso, Anne Miners, Lena Martino, Mary Bull, John Baguley, Marie Tooke, Allison Law, Pat Saville & family, Margaret Trivett, Audrey Cook, Marcello Viglianti, Maria Dowling, Rosetta Le Compte, Elvira Choma, Ros Mullholland-Gullick, Jean Fairbanks, Rosemarie & Peter Anderton, Norma Yaxley, Tony Ball, Jesus Moniente, Linda Lawless, Susan Bertolaso, Mollie Coaten, Mary Naughton, Norman Coleman, Sylvia Hayden, Katherine McLoughlin, Patrick King, The Taylor Family, Mons. Jonathan Moore, Pat Baxter, Rita Gensiorskyj, Manfred Haacker, June Burrell, Maurice Cranney, Helen Henry, Philip Chandler, Maria Sharples, Fr. Oliver Martin O.Praem, Brian Stout, Mike van der Weyden, Alison Merryman-Marx, Fr. Eamonn O'Hara, Canon Michael Bell, Fr. Stephan Foster, Maddie Scott, Laurence Connell & Pat O'Neill.

Please Pray for the happy repose of the soul of Mrs. Pat McGilloway. We extend our condolences to Mick and their family at this sad time. Pat's Requiem Mass will be taking place this Friday, 6th July, at 11.30am. May she rest in peace.

Please also remember those whose anniversaries occurred recently:

Kathleen Bertolaso, Julia Bothroyd, Annie Chapman, Charlotte & Kenneth Edwards, Margaret Lee, Margaret Swann, Gennaro Fappiano, Mollie Storey, Kevin Power, Thomas Chozhiath, Judith Nash, Mary Edwards, Derek MacKenzie, Olinda Sequeira, Colin Crunkhorn, Eileen Burns, John Dukas, John Smith, Doreen O'Toole, Barbara Mikneniene, Molly Storey, Carmelo Gallo, Arthur Wilson, Master Liam Fairhurst & James Broadley. *May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.*

PARISH FINANCE: Last week you gave: £623.74. The second collection for the Parish Maintenance Fund realised: £282.84 - Thank you.

Second Collections During July:

7th/8th: Voluntary Collection to sponsor 'The Wednesday Word' weekly newsletter for our parish school, St. Norbert's.

14th/15th: The Apostleship of the Sea

28th/29th: Parish Maintenance Fund

Counter's Rota – This week's counters: Anita & Betty; **next week:** Joe & Karen.

Meat Raffle: The last draw took place at the end of the 8.00am Mass on the 10th June and the winner was Mary Miller – congratulations. The draw raised a further £72 towards our Mission expenses.

Fr. Jim thanks all those who have sent messages and gifts since he became poorly. He is being treated for Cellulitis – which involves attending hospital every day for treatment. He will do his best to celebrate Mass everyday if he can – but there may be times when it will be impossible; he apologises for any inconvenience this may cause.

Holidays: Maggie will be away after this week for two weeks. Fr. Jim is due to be on holiday from the 9th July until the end of the month. All pastoral matters will be dealt with by Deacon Dennis, none pastoral matters will be dealt with by Katherine in the parish office. Katherine is still to decide when she will take her holiday.

Clergy Appointments: Fr. Colin Patey, Parish Priest of Ashby-de-la-Zouche, Leicestershire is retiring. Bishop Patrick has announced the following appointments:

Fr. Emmanuel Abbem to be Assistant Priest at St. Peter's Hinckley & Ss. Peter & Paul, Earl Shilton, Leicestershire & Our Lady & St. Gregory, Market Bosworth.

Fr. Kevin Athaide to be Assistant Priest at St. Thomas More, Knighton, Leicester, The Immaculate Conception, Oadby; also serving the parishes of St. Mary's, South Wigston and St. John Bosco, Eyres Monsell.

Fr. Biju Joseph serving the Syro Malabar Community across the Diocese and Assisting in St. Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham & St. Augustine's, Woodborough Road, Nottingham.

Fr. Martin Hardy to be Parish Priest in Melton Mowbray.

Fr. Dominic O'Connor to be Parish Priest in Skegness.

Fr. Daniel Palmer to be Assistant Priest in St. Charles Borromeo, Hadfield, The Immaculate Conception, Charlesworth & St. Margaret's, Gamesley, Derbyshire.

Fr. Peter Wade to be Parish Priest at Ashby-del-la-Zouche, Leicestershire.

Congratulations to Fr. Jonathan Whitby-Smith who was ordained a priest for our Diocese by Bishop Patrick yesterday (Saturday). Fr. Jonathan will be appointed Assistant Priest of St. Philip Neri, Mansfield.