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13th - 21st January 2024

Second Week of Ordinary Time

Preface I of the Sundays in Ordinary Time

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Saturday <i>Vigil Mass</i>	13 Jan	5.30-5.50pm 6pm	<i>Confessions</i> Tom Metson RIP
Second Sunday of the Year	14 Jan	11am	John Fox RIP
Monday <i>Feria</i>	15 Jan	NO PUBLIC MASS	
Tuesday <i>Feria</i>	16 Jan	10am	Service of the Word Communion & Exposition
Wednesday <i>St Anthony</i>	17 Jan	NO PUBLIC MASS	
Thursday <i>Feria</i>	18 Jan		
Friday <i>Feria</i>	19 Jan		
Saturday <i>Vigil Mass</i>	20 Jan	5.30-5.50pm 6pm	<i>Confessions</i> Reg Clarke RIP
Third Sunday of the Year	21 Jan	11am	Len Wright RIP

Confessions can be heard before the Saturday evening Mass (5.30-5.50pm) or by making an appointment with Fr Michael

Second Collection this weekend Sat/Sun 13 & 14 January – for Sick and Retired Priests

Peace Sunday (Day of Special Prayer for Peace)

Today is Peace Sunday. Each year, Pope Francis gives us a theme for our prayer and reflection, and this year's theme may seem a bit too abstract or technical for us to grasp: 'Artificial intelligence and peace'. Yet that title certainly alerts us to the new threats that are facing us on the world stage and in our own homes. New technologies are developing so quickly that we need to think about their consequences for our freedom, peace and security. Who is gaining power through AI – and who is being disempowered? We need to think of the risk of Artificial Intelligence, which will only have as much soul and ethical vision as those who program it, calling the shots on the battlefield, deciding who lives and who dies...

James Bysouth-Kemp RIP

The funeral service of James will be on 30th January at 11am at Our Lady of the Angels church. Let us continue to pray for the repose of his soul and please keep Liz and their family in your thoughts and prayers.

First Holy Communion

Children in Year 3 at school (or above) and are baptised Catholics are eligible to make their First Holy Communion. Classes start February 2024. Please email: ourladyofangels@dioceseofnottingham.uk

BIG THANK YOU: £796.60 raised for Rainbows Charity from the Christmas Fair and the children's christmas card!

Bank Details: **Our Lady Angels East Leake RCP** Lloyds Bank **30-96-18 03433976**

Foundation of Our Lady of the Angels

2024 marks the 70th anniversary of our church when Bishop Ellis laid the foundation stone on 6 June 1954. One of the inspiring plans for this momentous jubilee will be to create a montage and compile an album of documents, memorabilia, pictures etc. A small group will be led by Nikki to help build this exciting Archive and Living Exhibition. Please add to the collection if you have anything to contribute. *Many thanks*

A Special Blessing for your Home

There is a custom of blessing homes on the Solemnity of the Epiphany and the weeks following. Family and friends gather to ask God's blessing on their homes and those who live in it or come to visit.

Please take a piece of blessed chalk home with you (see narthex). Mark your front door or porch as follows:

20 + C + M + B + 24 As you do so, say the following: ***The three Wise Men, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar followed the star of God's Son who became human two thousand and twenty four years ago. May Christ bless our home and remain with us throughout the new year. Amen.***

All present say this prayer: Visit, O blessed Lord this home with the joy of your presence. Bless all who live or visit here with the gift of your love; and grant that we may share your love with each other and with all whose lives we touch. May we grow in grace and in the knowledge and love of you; guide, comfort, and strengthen us in peace, O Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.

Parish Merger: Consultation 2024

CENSUS First of all may we thank you all for the tremendous response we received to the parish census. We managed to get ALL of the responses sent electronically which will save an awful lot of work, and we now have information submitted for around 100 parishioners/households.



PARISH MERGER SURVEY We would now wish to give you an opportunity to provide your feedback on the merger itself and how you feel about it. We have put together a very short survey which, if possible, we would like you to complete and submit electronically. Please use the link or QR code to access the survey. Paper copies are also available in the narthex. Your responses are completely confidential so please do not hesitate to express your views. We would like to get as much input as possible within the next 3 weeks, so kindly complete online or return the paper form as soon as you can. *Most gratefully*

<https://forms.office.com/e/UakGhYqM6L>

A reflection from Pope Francis for the Year of Prayer, Second Sunday of the Year: Prayer is dialogue with God. The divine Word is made flesh, and in each person's flesh the Word returns to God in prayer. Read the full reflection and more resources at dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer

CAFOD, the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, is looking for people to join in its mission. Roles are flexible and full training/support provided. See cafod.org.uk/Volunteer or get in touch with Will Cruddace on wcruddace@cafod.org.uk or 07710 094455. Or could you take part in The Big Lent Walk? Cafod.org.uk/walk

Homes for Ukraine Gathering on Friday 2 February, 2.30-4pm at the Frassati Centre, Holy Cross, Leics LE1 6HW hosted by Caritas Social Action Network and St John of God Hospitaller Services, to find out about the current situation, eligibility for sponsoring refugees, and key considerations. Visit bit.ly/ukraine2feb

DIARY 2024

Thursdays	(except third week)	8pm	CAMEO Zoom Session - Talks, Quizzes and Updates
Thursday	(every third Thurs)	10.30-12noon	CAMEO Coffee Morning ALL WELCOME
Sunday	21 Jan	3pm	East Leake Baptist Church – Week of Prayer
Tuesday	23 Jan	7pm	6 th Parish Linking (Merger) Team Meeting
Tuesday	09 Apr	7pm	PPC Meeting
Sunday	09 Jun	11am	First Holy Communion