

PARISH

- **RENOVATION WORK:** The PPC have accepted one of the bids for the restoration work on the Church and the old school. It has also decided that we should accept the whole plan and bid which means that we shall have to apply for a load from the diocese. This will necessitate some fundraising over the next few years.
- **MISSION TEAM:** The Bishop has asked that every parish prepare a plan for mission and that either he or the Vicars General will be visiting each parish after Easter. If you would like to be on a mission team, please see Fr or Deacon Martyn. There is a meeting with the Bishop at SS Peter and Paul in Lincoln 7pm Monday 2nd February, if anyone is interested.
- **BICENTENARY PREPARATIONS:** We need to start discerning our preparations. If you have ideas or are willing to serve please see Fr or Deacon Martyn.
- **RENAMING OLD SCHOOL HOUSE:** The proposal at the moment is to call the "Old School House", the **St John Henry Newman Centre**. Any objections or different ideas please see Fr. This seems apt as he is now a Doctor of the Church.
- **DAILY MASSES:** Attendance seems stable regardless of the times but if you have a request please see Fr. I apologise that it has been difficult to get regular timings. But I am trying to keep: Tuesday 9.30am Wednesday 7.00am and Fridays 7.00pm. It is important that those that work also have an opportunity.

CHILDREN'S CLOTHING BANK: The Women's Guild is operating a clothing bank, initially for clothes to fit under 11 year olds. If you don't have any children you may purchase new underwear and socks. Thanks for the kind donations of excellent quality already received. **If donations need collecting text: C.C.B to 07827274251**

To mark this years World Youth Sunday, our deanery is launching a new Catholic Young Adults Group for those aged 18-35. The group will bring together young adults from across the deanery for monthly gatherings that include prayer, faith formation, and social occasions. The first meeting will take place in the new year, and all are warmly welcome whether you are new to the area, returning to the Church, or looking to deepen your faith alongside other young Catholics. More details will be shared in the coming weeks; in the meantime, please register your interest by emailing edward.kendall@dioceseofnottingham.uk.

If you would like to be on the parish email circular, please send an email to:
info@saintmarysboston.org.uk

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DONATIONS: Just scan the QR code with your phone to donate to our parish. Don't forget to gift aid if you can.



In the Parish of Saint Mary's Our Lady of the Rosary



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Deacon Martyn Chambers, Deacon David Witherick (Ret.)
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School: St Mary's Catholic Primary Academy, Ashlawn Drive,
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Hospital: Pilgrim Hospital, Sibsey Road, Boston PE21 9QS
Prison: HMP North Sea Camp

If you know of a parishioner who is an in-patient at the Pilgrim hospital, please contact Father at the Presbytery 01205 362056 or Deacon Martyn.

Liturgical calendar

Day	Date	Time		Liturgical Calendar	Mass Intention
Saturday	17	4.00pm	Eng	Vigil	<i>Aveen Johnson Intn</i>
Sunday	18	8.30am 10.00am 12.30pm 7.30pm	Eng Eng Pol Pol	Baptism of OLJC	<i>Dec of Parish Parish</i>
Monday	19	8.00am	Eng	Feria	<i>Aveen Johnson Intn</i>
Tuesday	20	9.30am	Eng	Feria	<i>Jamie Wagstaff</i>
Wed.	21	7.00am	Eng	St Agnes	<i>Priests</i>
Thurs.	22	9.00am	Eng	Feria	<i>John Wagstaff</i>
Friday	23	7.00pm	Eng	Feria	<i>VO+EA Intn</i>
Saturday	24	9.00am 4.00pm	Eng Eng	St Francis de Sales Vigil	<i>P.J.Lynch RIP</i>
Sunday	25	8.30am 10.00am 12.30pm 7.30pm	Eng Eng Pol Pol	Third Sunday of the Year (of the Word of God)	<i>Rev Grimley RIP Parish</i>

Divine Mercy: Wednesday 2.00pm

Adoration/Holy Hour: Tuesday 8.15am; Friday 6.00pm

Confessions: Saturday 3.20pm-3.50pm Sunday 7.50am-8.20pm and 9.30am-9.50am
Before weekday masses and on request.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

This week - week of Prayer for Christian Unity

18th January Sunday 3pm African Mass at St Hugh's, Lincoln (3rd Sunday of the Month)

22nd January Thursday 1pm Guild Lunch at Kirton Cottage.

24th January 5.15pm Meeting in Church for Confirmation Candidates and teenagers wishing for catechesis.

2nd February 7.00pm Lincoln Meeting with Bishop to hear diocesan mission plan. If interested see Fr.

24th February Tuesday Lenten Station Mass with the Bishop @ Immac. Concn Spalding.

SPECIAL JUBILEE YEAR OF ST FRANCIS 10 JAN '26 – 10 JAN '27 Marking 800 years since his death. Normal conditions plus a visit to a Franciscan place of worship.

Financials: December 2025

- Offertory Loose £2632 Envelopes (GA) £300 Dona £678
- Standing Orders £1719 Votive Candles £197 TOTAL: £ 5526

FINANCE

"GIFT AID:

Further to the September quarterly return amounting to £6,985.00 being submitted, the parish has now received into the bank account £1,487.50 with a further amount of £258.75 for Gift Aided contactless donations." Thank you for all your gift aid donations to our parish. If you have recently joined our parish or started to pay income tax on personal income, please consider completing a Gift Aid declaration. For further information please contact me on 07778840886 or email

giftaid.bt@dioceseofnottingham.uk Many thanks. Chaz Mayhew

If donating by cheque please make it payable to Boston Roman Catholic Parish. Thank you for your financial support and those too who pay through the bank."

"Those donating using the GIFT AID envelopes, please only use the yellow envelopes, all other colours will not be accepted and should be destroyed / recycled. If there are any problems I will be happy to help, and my contact details are published here in the bulletin each week."

SECOND COLLECTIONS: 1st March Cafod; 3rd April Holy Places; 26th April Clergy Form. 17th May Catholic Communications

OF YOUR CHARITY PLEASE PRAY FOR

- The sick and housebound and for those who need your prayers, Sadie Wheate, Rosalyn, Mary, Fay Cowell, David Locking, Michael Campbell; Sally Wallington; Coco, Margaret Lilley; Elizabeth Hunter
- Fr Jim Lynch RIP; John Tilley RIP; Philip Hale RIP; Betty Sumner RIP

