

## The Catholic Community Newsletter for the parish of

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## THIRD WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

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Sat 20 <sup>th</sup> January	6.30pm	МВ	Mass	Bill Yates R.I.P.
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup> January	9.30am	NM	Mass	In memory of Mark Whelan R.I.P.
	12 noon	MB	Mass	Thomas Delaney R.I.P.
Weds 24 <sup>th</sup> January			No Mass	
Thurs 25 <sup>th</sup> January	10.00am	NM	Mass	Les Chadwick and Betty Etchells R.I.P.
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> January	10.00am	МВ	Mass	
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> January	6.30pm	МВ	Mass	Bill Yates R.I.P.
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> January	9.30am	NM	Mass	Jeren Peter (birthday)
	12 noon	МВ	Mass	Colin Crees R.I.P.

**PLEASE PRAY** for the sick: David Cochrane, Dorothy Graham, Mary Bradbury, Joan Bindley. To be added to this list, please contact the parish office or collect a form from the back of church.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** This weekend 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> January, there will be a second collection for sick and retired Priests of the diocese.

**SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:** If there is anyone in the Parish who is sick, either at home or in hospital and would like a visit from Father Emmanuel please let him know. A visit can be arranged to bring Holy Communion by the Priest or one of the Eucharistic Ministers. (Also, please note: for anyone in Stepping Hill Hospital who needs a priest or requests for Holy Communion there is a Chaplaincy Office 0161 419 5889 (between 8.30am - 4.30pm. Out of hours - 0161 483 1010 and ask for Catholic Chaplaincy).

CHRISTMAS CRIBS which have been placed in our two churches will remain before us until the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, Friday 2nd February, along with the trees and other decorations, so we have plenty of time to pray before them and enjoy them. This year our Crib offerings will go to support the Friends of the Holy Land, Palestine and Gaza which will support relief work in that part of the world, where so many people have been killed and others whose lives are at risk even during the holiday season of goodwill to all. Please, let us continue to be generous.

**CYRIL NEILD**, a former parishioner, passed away on 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2024, may he rest in God's eternal peace; we extend our thoughts and condolences to his friends and family.

**RESTRICTED PARKING**: Work will commence on the church steeple at New Mills this Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January; access to parking may be restricted.

**PARISH ADMINISTRATOR:** We are looking for a personable, reliable, and hardworking person to join our parish team. The post holder will be the first point of contact for general enquiries via telephone, mail and email, replying or forwarding to the appropriate recipient as required as well as other responsibilities detailed in the Job Description. The role involves management of the parish office and administration including administrative support to the parish priest. The role requires twelve hours of work over three days, salary is £12 per hour. To apply please complete the application form which can be found on the Diocese of Nottingham website: www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/careers; closing date is 29<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

**THE YEAR OF PRAYER:** The Holy Father has asked that 2024 be a 'Year of Prayer', as a preparatory year for the Jubilee. Dioceses are invited to promote initiatives to remind people of the centrality of both individual prayer and community prayer.