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First Week of Lent | Sat 21st Feb – Sun 1st March 2026

Date	Mass & Service Details	Timings	Intentions & Notes	Other Events
Sat 21 st Feb 2026	Reconciliation Rosary Mass	3pm 5:30pm 6pm	Holy Souls in Purgatory	
Sun 22 nd Feb	Rosary Mass Rite of election- Nott. Cathedral	9:30am 10am 2pm	Malcom and Owen Joyce (RIP)	Tea and coffee after Mass (all are welcome!)
Mon 23 rd	Mass	10am	Christopher Hall (RIP)	Yoga in Hall (5-8pm)
Tues 24 th	Adoration Mass (<i>in church</i>)	12pm 12:30pm	Mons Edward Walker (RIP)	Mini-Acorns - 9am-1pm First Holy Communion Class – 3:15pm RCIA Group - 6pm
Wed 25 th	Adoration Mass	12:00pm 12:30pm 6-7pm	Fr Michael's 90 th Birthday(Thanksgiving Mass)	Toddler Church – 9:30am Choir practise – 1:45pm Lenten retreat/talks in Hall
Thurs 26 th	No Mass			
Fri 27 th	Stations of the Cross Mass	6:15pm 7pm	Fr Richard de Mattos (RIP)	Rehearsal in church for Women's Day of Prayer – 9am - 12pm
Sat 28 th Feb	Reconciliation Rosary Mass	3:30m 5:30pm 6pm	Kathleen Vellacott (RIP) - Birthday remembrance	
Sun 1 st Mar	Rosary Mass	9:30am 10am	Dee O'C (Health & Wellbeing)	Children's Liturgy Group Tea and coffee after mass (all are welcome!)

Please pray for our sick housebound: John & Jean, Dee O, Colin, Marie, Barbara, Margaret, Aileen, Deacon Bill, Janet, David, Kathleen, Sharon, Cathy, Christine, Mary, Terry, Joan., Beryll., Danny and Tara,

It is with deep sorrow but in total submission to the will of God that we announce the Death of one of us, Biddy Mifsud. Please pray for the repose of her soul and God's consolation on her family.

Pray More Novenas for Lent - A guide to Fasting in Lent can be found on the parish website – www.stwinefrideshepshed.org

Please remember in your prayers – our former parish priest, Fr Michael Eastwood, turns 90 this week (26th Feb). We felicitate with him as he reaches this milestone.

Family Fast Day - This will take place on 27th Feb, envelopes will be given out this weekend, there will be a basket in the porch for you to return your family fast donations on 28 Feb / 1 Mar.

Coffee Morning Thank You - the Coffee Morning Team would like to send their thanks to everyone who helped, donated and baked for our most recent event. A grand total of £436 was raised and after expenses £376 went to Church funds.

200 Club News - the first draw will be held on the weekend of 28 Feb / 1 Mar 26. We still have a few numbers available and if you would like to join, please see Brenda Fox or Erica Yates. Cost is £12 per annum for each number. Thanks to everyone who is taking part. Brenda & Erica

Easter Flowers – there will be a second collection on the weekend of 7th /8th March to help pay for church flowers this Easter. Your kind donations help make the floral displays we enjoy possible and any donation will be gratefully received (*may we politely request cash only donations please.*)

World Day of Prayer - This year St Winefride's is hosting *World Day of Prayer* on Fri 6th Mar at 10:00am. Everyone is very welcome.

Missio Seminarian Sponsorship - If you wish to support the *Missio* 'Sponsor a Seminarian' campaign that you'll see publicised on posters in the narthex, you can do so any time you wish on our church's contactless donation machine located at the back of church. Simply tap on the screen, select 'Sponsor a Seminarian' and proceed to donate as much or as little as you wish.

Dates For Your Diary - This year's *Garden Fete* will take place on Jun 20, the Christmas Fayre will be on Dec 5th Please keep these dates in your diaries, because as always, we will need your help to make them a success.

Upcoming Second Collections

Date	Details
Sat & Sun 28 Feb / 1 March	Parish Development Fund
Sat & Sun 7/8 March	Easter Flowers – (<i>See newsletter item</i>)

Parish Lenten prayer, retreat and faith- sharing sessions will be holding every Wednesday 6-7pm throughout the weeks of Lent in the Hall. The theme this year is "[We Dare to Ask](#)". All are welcome.

The parish summary of the Diocesan Mission Plan: This can be found on the [Parish web site here](#). Please take time to study the Plan as we shall be meeting as a parish in the upcoming weeks to discuss them and make our inputs. God bless you.

Sycamore Lent Evenings for Young Adults - Join fellow young adults (18-30) every Monday (online) and enter more deeply into prayer this Lent. Starting on Mon 23 Feb, just bring yourself, a Bible, and a drink of your choice, (unless you're fasting, of course) - Find out more at www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/YAsycamore

Altar Servers' Retreat | NDCYS - The Notts Diocesan Catholic Youth Service is launching a new retreat for altar servers (Years 7–13), taking place **Fri 8 May – Sun 10 May** at **The Briars Catholic Youth Retreat Centre, Crich**. Parish leaders, deacons and clergy are warmly invited to bring their servers for a weekend of prayer, fellowship and formation. Through Bishop Patrick's themes of *Encounter, Discipleship and Missionary Discipleship*, young people will deepen their friendship with Christ, reflect on vocation and grow in confidence in their liturgical ministry. At the heart of the weekend will be Mass and Eucharistic Adoration. **Cost: £65 per young person; group leaders free.** More information and booking: <https://www.ndcys.com/events-and-opportunities/sanctuary/>

Respond to Our Lady's invitation and join Bishop Patrick, in the Nottingham Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage 2026. Departing from East Mids airport on Mon 13th July, enjoy five days in Lourdes with over 200 people from across our diocese. A special offering is being made for **Young Adults** who wish to participate. Those with additional needs will be cared for by our health team and helpers' team. Mary invites us all to come to this holy place. More details at <https://www.tangney-tours.com/diocese-pilgrimages/diocese-nottingham>

The **Celebrate Trust** has produced two resources for families in Lent: A **Family Activity Pack for Lent** and a **Journey to Easter Joy** game. Visit www.celebratetrust.org/shop/lent-family-pack-celebratehome-s45pm and www.celebratetrust.org/shop/lent-game-celebratehome-s45pm-39gpj to download them, and (if you can) to support Celebrate too.

All are welcome to join Father Jonathan Cotton in a reflection through slides, music, and prayers of **The Seven Last Words of Jesus** on **Tuesday 24th March** in Saint Wilfrid's Church, Coalville LE67 3JB, and on **Thursday 26th March** in Sacred Heart Church, Loughborough LE11 2HE. Both evenings begin at 7.00pm, and conclude at 8.30pm with refreshments.

Date	Welcoming	Readings & Bid' Prayers	Offertory Procession	Eucharistic Min'
Sat 28 th Feb	Erica Y	Theresa M	Erica Y	Alicja P
Sun 1 st Mar	T Family	Vicky T	T Family	Trevor B

“One does not live on bread alone.” (Luke 4:4)