



St Winefride's Catholic Church, Shepshed

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Fifth Week of Lent | Sat 21st – Sun 29th March 2026

Date	Mass & Service Details	Timings	Intentions & Notes	Other Events
Sat 21st March	Reconciliation Stations of the Cross Mass	3:30pm 5:25pm 6pm	<i>Holy Souls in Purgatory</i>	
Sun 22nd March	Stations of the Cross Mass	9:25 am 10am	<i>Lilian Dooner (RIP)</i> <i>Hilary O'Shea (RIP)</i>	<i>Private event in hall (1pm-5pm)</i>
Mon 23rd	Mass	10am	<i>Fr Emile Pleyau (RIP)</i>	<i>Yoga in Hall - 5pm</i>
Tues 24th	Adoration Mass	12pm 12:30pm	<i>Fr Edward Byron (RIP)</i>	<i>Mini-Acorns Group 9am – 1pm</i> <i>First Holy Communion Group – 3:45pm</i> <i>RCIA - 6pm</i>
Wed 25th	Adoration Mass	12:00pm 12:30pm	<i>For all parish volunteers</i>	<i>Toddler Church – 9:30am</i> <i>Choir Practise – 1:45pm</i> <i>Lenten retreat - 6pm</i>
Thurs 26th	No Mass			
Fri 27th	Mass	6:45pm	<i>Biddy Misfud (RIP)</i>	
Sat 28th Mar	Reconciliation Stations of the Cross Mass – Palm Sunday Vigil	3:30pm 5:25pm 6pm	<i>Holy Souls in Purgatory</i>	
Sun 29th Mar	Stations of the Cross Mass – Palm Sunday	9:25am 10am	<i>Christopher Hall (RIP)</i> <i>- Birthday Memorial</i>	<i>Children's Liturgy (No coffee after mass)</i>

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

(Parishioners are invited to contact the Parish Administrator if you wish to add any names to this list or if any names need to be removed – email address at top of newsletter)

Easter Masses – Please note the following dates and times for Easter services and Masses (unless otherwise stated, all are at St Winefride's): **Chrism Mass at St Barnabas** (Wed 1 Apr, 11:30 a.m.); **Maundy Thursday Mass** (Thu 2 Apr, 6 p.m.); **Watching of the Altar of Repose** (Thu 2 Apr, 7:30 p.m.–midnight, including Night Prayer at 11:45 p.m.); **Good Friday Walk of Witness** (Fri 3 Apr, 10 a.m.); **Stations of the Cross** (Fri 3 Apr, 2:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.); **Good Friday Service** (Fri 3 Apr, 3 p.m.); **Blessing of Easter Food Baskets** (Sat 4 Apr, 12 p.m.); **Easter Vigil Mass** (Sat 4 Apr, 7 p.m.); **Easter Sunday Rosary** (Sun 5 Apr, 9:30 a.m.); **Easter Sunday Mass** (Sun 5 Apr, 10 a.m.).

Rota for Holy Week Liturgical Activities: Please indicate what function or role you want to during the Holy week ceremonies. The List is at the back of the church.

Lenten Retreat. We shall be round up our 5 week long Lenten Talks with retreat and Prayers on Wednesday 25th March. All are welcome.

Divine Mercy Novena: Commences on Good Friday and ends on Divine Mercy Sunday.

Pray More Novenas for Lent - A guide to Fasting in Lent can be found on the [Parish website here](#)

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.

Coffee Morning – Last Saturday’s coffee morning raised a fantastic £530. A new water flask was purchased for £34.99. Thank you to all who supported this event. The next coffee morning is Sat 18 Apr.

200 Club – Entries to this year’s parish 200 Club raised £1,151. Thank you to all who take part, and best of luck!

Parish Accounts Review – As we approach the end of the financial year, the parish is required to carry out an independent review of its accounts. We are inviting parishioners to consider volunteering to assist. You do not need to be a qualified accountant, but some experience of financial records or bookkeeping would be helpful. The role involves reviewing income and expenditure and checking a sample against supporting records. This would take around half a day at a convenient time between late Apr and early May. To ensure independence, the reviewer should not have been directly involved in handling parish finances. If you may be able to help, please email Joe (Parish Admin) – details at the top of the newsletter.

Chester Coach Trip – Please note a change of date. The trip will now take place on Sat 30 May (previously 16 May). Cost £25 per person. Options to visit Chester or Cheshire Oaks Designer Outlet. Departing St Winefride’s school car park at 8 a.m., returning from Chester around 4:30–5 p.m. To book call 07977 102403.

Upcoming Second Collections

Date	Details
Good Friday – Apr 3 rd	<i>Holy Places of Palestine</i>

Future Parish Events

Date	Details
Sat 30 th May	Coach trip to Chester / Cheshire Oaks (<i>More details to follow</i>)
Sat 20 th June	Parish Garden Fete
Sat 5 th December	Parish Christmas Fair

Lourdes Pilgrimage - De Lisle College is taking part in the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. They kindly ask for the support of our parish through prayer and, where possible, financial contributions to help make this opportunity accessible for students and staff. Your generosity will directly support young pilgrims of the parish and school in experiencing this journey of faith, service, and hope bringing to life Bishop Patrick’s vision for a mission-driven Church, encouraging young people to encounter Christ and share His love. An option to donate towards the cost of the pilgrimage has been added to our contactless donation machine at the back of church.

CAFOD Big Lent Walk – The CAFOD Big Lent Walk takes place on Sun 22 Mar, meeting at 2 p.m. at Wilford Village Tram Stop car park. All are welcome.

Pilgrimage to Walsingham – Parishioners are warmly invited to join a coach pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham with St Mary’s UCM, Loughborough on Tue 7 Jul. For details contact Samantha Edwards on 07936 928370.

Date	Welcoming	Readings & Bid' Prayers	Offertory Procession	Eucharistic Min'
Sat 28 th Mar	Palm	Sunday	Arrangements	
Sun 29 th Mar		As	Above	

“Create a pure heart in me, O God.” *(Psalm 51)*