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Sixth Week of Eastertide | Sat 9th – Sun 17th May 2026- Safeguarding Sunday

Date	Mass & Service Details	Timings	Intentions & Notes	Other Events
Sat 9 th May	Reconciliation Rosary Mass	3:30pm 5:30pm 6pm	Rosalie, Denis and Peter Bullimore (RIP)	<i>This weekend is Safeguarding Sunday. We pray for victims of all forms of abuse, and the grace to be protective of children and the vulnerable</i>
Sun 10 th May Safeguarding Sunday	Rosary Mass	9:30am 10am	Bridie and Dermot Cribbin (RIP)	Tea and coffee after mass (all are welcome!) Liturgical Group Meeting - 12pm
Mon 11 th	Mass	10am	Health & wellbeing of Fr Michael	Yoga in Hall (5-8pm)
Tues 12 th	Adoration Mass	12pm 12:30pm	Benjamin S Tomlin (RIP)	Mini Acorns 9am-1pm First Holy Communion Class – 3:45pm Pilates in Hall (6-8pm)
Wed 13 th	No Adoration or Mass	11am- 3pm	Loughborough Deanery Meeting	Hall in use 11am - 3pm Toddler Church- 9-10:30am Choir practice- 1:45pm
Thurs 14 th Ascension	Mass Mass	9:30am 7:00pm	Fr. Michael Eastwood (Priv. Int.) People of the Parish	
Fri 15 th May	Mass	7pm	For all parish volunteers (past and present)	Hall in use (10am onwards) - Coffee Morning Prep Novena to Holy Spirit begins today.
Sat 16 th May	Reconciliation Rosary Mass	3:30pm 5:30pm 6pm	Provost James Cantwell (RIP)	Coffee Morning in Hall – 9:30am
Sun 17 th May	Rosary Family Mass	9:30am 10am	Private intention of PL	Tea and coffee after mass (all are welcome!)

Please pray for our sick & housebound: Fr. Michael, 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.

Upcoming Second Collections

May 16 th – 17 th	Catholic Communications Collection – Supports Catholic evangelisation
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Future Parish Events

Date	Details
Fri 22nd May	<i>Parish Pentecost Retreat - Featuring talks, prayers, praise and worship, and penitential Service. 6pm</i>
Sat 30th May	Coach trip to Chester / Cheshire Oaks (<i>Details below</i>)
Sat 13th Jun	Artisan Market (St Winefride's School) - 11am to 2pm (<i>Details below</i>)
Sat 20th June	Parish Garden Fete
Sat 5th December	Parish Christmas Fair

Safeguarding Sunday – This weekend we mark Safeguarding Sunday. Supported by the Diocese of Nottingham, we as Parish, embrace this national opportunity for churches to reflect on the importance of creating safe, supportive and caring communities for all. The theme, *Action Speaks Louder*, reminds us that safeguarding is not just about policies, but about how we act to protect and respect one another. During our Masses we will reflect on our shared responsibility to create a safe and welcoming Church for all, especially children and adults at risk. Please keep this important intention in your prayers. The story of the boy Samuel, readily comes to mind. He listened to God and found the courage to speak up when something was wrong. We remain committed to ensuring that everyone — especially children and vulnerable adults — is listened to, valued and kept safe.

Safeguarding is not an added extra to our faith – it flows from it. When we protect others, listen well, challenge harm and act with courage, we live out the Gospel in practical ways. **Action speaks louder – together, we create safer churches. Think of one** sentence shared by the priest or safeguarding representative on what safeguarding looks like in everyday parish life. Take time today to quietly reflect on the *one action you can take to safeguard others*.

Coffee Morning Donations – On our next Coffee Morning (16 May) the organisers would love to be selling plants. If you have any flowering or vegetable plants you are willing to donate, please bring along on Fri 15 or on the day.

World Cup Sweepstake – We are raising funds to support Jedidiah on the Diocesan Lourdes trip this summer. We are looking for 48 people to take part in a 2026 World Cup sweepstake at £5 per entry (apologies in advance for whoever draws England!) with £50 for the winning team. The sweepstake will open this weekend (9/10 May). Good luck to all entrants!

Chester Coach Trip – Coach trip to Chester or Cheshire Oaks on Sat 30 May. Cost £25 per person. Departing St Winefride's school car park at 8 a.m., returning around 4:30 p.m. To book call 07977 102403 or 01509 769642.

Artisan Market – Sat 13 Jun, 11 a.m.–2 p.m. at St Winefride's School. Food and drinks available, raffle, and a wide range of stalls including crafts, cakes, jams, baby goods, candles, crochet, wax melts and more. All are welcome.

A Calling to Volunteer – In recent weeks, a number of appeals have gone out for new volunteers to support parish groups and committees, inc. the *Fundraising Group* and *Parish Finance Committee*. As time passes, existing volunteers do occasionally step down or move on, which can place additional pressure on others. We understand spare time is precious and volunteering is not possible for everyone, but we would warmly invite **anyone** who may be able to spare even an hour or two occasionally to consider stepping forward. Serving the parish through your time and talents can itself be a meaningful way of praising God, whilst also being deeply rewarding and fulfilling personally. An informal expression of interest can be sent to the Parish Administrator (contact details atop newsletter) who can point you in the right direction.

Lourdes Pilgrimage – Parishioners have donated a generous £95 via our contactless donation machine to support De Lisle College’s Lourdes Pilgrimage. The following message is passed on to all parishioners. *“On behalf of De Lisle College, sincere thanks for your continued support, generosity and prayers for the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Whether through donations or keeping students in your prayers, your kindness makes a real difference with this important opportunity for young people to grow in faith, service and hope. Thank you for being such an important part of our wider community.”* - Hugh Cafferty (De Lisle College)

BBC Any Questions? – BBC Radio 4 will be broadcasting *Any Questions?* live from Saint Norbert’s Community Hall, Spalding, on Fri, May 29 at 8pm. Everyone is invited to attend and put questions to the panel from the worlds of politics, media and beyond. Free tickets are available by contacting Julian Humphrey on 07704 590843 or via email at jjh281@gmail.com

Date	Welcoming	Readings & Bid’ Prayers	Offertory Procession	Eucharistic Min’
Sat 16 th May	Jo B	Jedidiah A	Ann B	Alicja P
Sun 17 th May	Family	Mass	Arrangements	Peter L

“Safeguarding is not just something we talk about – it’s something we live out.” #SafeguardingSunday2026.