



St Winefride's Catholic Church, Shepshed

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Seventh Week of Eastertide | Sat 16th – Sun 24th May 2026

Date	Mass & Service Details	Timing	Intentions & Notes	Other Events
Sat 16 th May	Reconciliation Rosary Mass	3:30pm 5:30pm 6pm	<i>Provost James Cantwell (RIP)</i>	<i>Coffee Morning in Hall – 9:30am</i>
Sun 17 th May	Rosary Family Mass	9:30am 10am	<i>Private intention of PL Health and wellbeing of Fr. Micheal Eastwood</i>	<i>(No choir at Mass) Tea and coffee after Mass (all are welcome!)</i>
Mon 18 th	No Mass	---		<i>Hall in use (5-8pm)</i>
Tues 19 th	No Mass	---		<i>Hall in use (9am-1pm) First Holy Communion class – 3:45pm Hall in use (6:15pm- 7:45pm)</i>
Wed 20 th	No Mass	---		<i>Toddler Church – 9:30am (No choir practise) Alpha Faith Group - 6pm</i>
Thurs 21 st	No Mass	---		
Fri 22 nd	Mass	7pm		<i>Pentecost Retreat (at church) - 6pm</i>
Sat 23 rd May	Reconciliation Rosary Mass – Pentecost	3:30pm 5:30pm 6pm	<i>Rachel Williams (RIP) (Birthday remembrance)</i>	
Sun 24 th May	Rosary Mass - Pentecost	9:30am 10am	<i>John Rennocks (RIP)</i>	<i>Tea and coffee after mass (all are welcome!)</i>

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

Prayer request: Please keep Fr. Michael Eastwood in your prayers. He is currently in the Hospital.

Upcoming Second Collections

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

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

World Communications Day – This weekend the Church marks World Communications Day. We pray that developments in communications technology and artificial intelligence may help humanity grow together in understanding and compassion, and that social media companies may work responsibly with parents and families to help protect children and the most vulnerable from harm.

What Does “Pentecost” Mean? – As we approach Pentecost Sunday, many may be interested to know that the word “Pentecost” comes from the Greek word *Pentēkostē* (Πεντηκοστή), meaning “fiftieth”. The feast falls on the fiftieth day after Easter Sunday and marks the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles. Pentecost traditionally brings the Easter season to its joyful conclusion and is often described as the “birthday of the Church”.

Pentecost Novena: From Friday after Ascension Thursday, the Church began the traditional **Nine Days Novena to the Holy Spirit** in preparation for Pentecost. We warmly invite all parishioners of St Winefride's to join in praying for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon our parish, families, and personal lives. Let us pray together with the words of the Church: **“Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.”** [A link to the Diocesan Novena App may be found here.](#)

Parish Pentecost Retreat – Parishioners are warmly invited to join us for a Parish Pentecost Retreat on Fri, May 22 at 6 PM in church. The evening will include talks, prayer, praise and worship, and a penitential service. It will be a lovely opportunity to pray for our personal and parish renewal in a peaceful and prayerful atmosphere alongside fellow parishioners.

World Cup Sweepstake – A reminder that our 2026 World Cup Sweepstake is now underway, raising funds to support Jedidiah on the Diocesan Lourdes pilgrimage this summer. Entries are £5 each, with £50 for the winning team. There may still be a few spaces remaining, so if anyone would like a last-minute entry, please speak to the Welcome Team after Mass. Good luck to all taking part!

Fundraising Group – Would you like to help support fundraising at St Winefride's? Our Parish Fundraising Group is always happy to welcome new members, fresh ideas and helping hands. We are a small, friendly group who meet once a month to organise social events and fundraising activities in support of the parish. Our next meeting will take place on Tue, Jun 9 at 7 PM at The Horse, Shepshed. Whether you would like to help regularly or simply lend a hand occasionally, you would be very welcome. For more information, please speak to or contact Dana on 07843 104570.

Parish Volunteers Needed – There are a number of opportunities to volunteer within the parish, including parish flowers, the Parish Finance Committee, Parish Liaison Group, cleaning team and various other areas. We are also always happy to welcome new readers. If you may be interested in helping in

any capacity, please speak to the Welcome Team at the church entrance after Mass and let them know what areas interest you — they will happily point you towards the right person.

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.

Faith Communities Event – “Faith Communities Building Resilience” will take place on Mon, May 18 from 5:30 PM at Trent Bridge Cricket Ground, West Bridgford. Join Caritas and local agencies to explore how parishes in Nottinghamshire can help their communities prepare for and respond to emergencies. More details can be found on the poster at the back of church.

Date	Welcoming	Readings & Bid’ Prayers	Offertory Procession	Eucharistic Min’
Sat 23 rd May	Erica Y	Margaret R	Erica Y	Jo B
Sun 24 th May	Clare T	Betty H	John O	Trevor B

“Father, keep those you have given me true to your name.” - (John 17:11)