

WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF THE MOST HOLY AND UNDIVIDED TRINITY THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN GRIMSBY, CLEETHORPES AND IMMINGHAM

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SUNDAY 11TH FEBRUARY 2024 – SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WELCOME, BISHOP PATRICK! THANK YOU FOR SPENDING THIS WEEKEND IN OUR PARISH!

Saturday 10th February	5.00 pm	Mass in Immingham
	6.00 pm	Mass in Grimsby (Polish)
Sunday 11th February	9.00 am	Mass in Cleethorpes (Hymns: 883, 604, 749 366) (<i>Missa pro populo</i>)
	11.00 am	Mass in Grimsby (Hymns: 469, 607, 648, 659, 366)
	3.00 pm	Celebration of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick in Cleethorpes
Monday 12 ^h February	2.00 pm	Open Prayer Hour, Divine Mercy Devotions and Rosary in Cleethorpes
Tuesday 13 th February	10.00 am	Mass in Cleethorpes
Wednesday 14th February	9.30 am	Mass in Grimsby
Ash Wednesday	11.30 am	Mass in Immingham
Day of Fasting & Abstinence	7.00 pm	Mass in Cleethorpes
Thursday 15 th February	10.00 am	Mass in Grimsby
Friday 16 th February	5.15 pm	Stations of the Cross in Cleethorpes
	6.00 pm	Mass in Cleethorpes
Saturday 17th February	10.00 am	Holy Hour in Grimsby
	5.00 pm	Mass in Immingham
	6.00 pm	Mass in Grimsby (Polish)
Sunday 18th February	9.00 am	Mass in Cleethorpes
First Sunday of Lent	11.00 am	Mass in Grimsby (<i>Missa pro populo</i>)
	3.00 om	Rite of Election in St Barnabas' Cathedral
	3.00 pm	Stations of the Cross in Grimsby

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday	5.15-5.55 pm	Grimsby
Saturday	10.00-11.00 am	Grimsby
Saturday	4.30-4.55 pm	Immingham
Sunday	8.30-8.55 am	Cleethorpes
Sunday	10.30-10.55 am	Grimsby

Sacraments of the Anointing of the Sick and Reconciliation

Wednesday	5.15-5.40 pm	Grimsby
Saturday	10.15-10.4am	Grimsby

And also before and after Mass, by appointment, and at call

Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives

Richard Mellows, Sarah Pollard and Shelagh Winter: if you have any safeguarding concerns or DBS enquiries, please email richard.mellowspsr@dioceseofnottingham.uk or call or send a text to 07513 725509.

Our Parish Schools

St Joseph's Catholic Primary Academy
Philip Avenue, Cleethorpes (01472 690672)
St Mary's Catholic Primary Academy
Wellington Street, Grimsby (01472 357982)

To celebrate the sacred liturgy online – youtube.com/c/HolyTrinityGCI

**We value all in the name of Jesus the Christ
by exercising our baptismal mission as Prophet, Priest and King
so that all may flourish.**

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for February, the Month of the Holy Family – for the terminally ill:

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

Cycle of Prayer: During the winter of Ordinary Time, we pray for: peace on earth; Christian unity; victims of human trafficking; the sick and those who care for them; and the unemployed. We also pray for the sick and housebound, the mission of St Mary's and St Joseph's schools, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Welcoming Spaces: Holy Trinity Parish Hall is open to anyone who would like some welcoming company this week:

Tues 10.30 am – 1.30 pm with Knit and Natter

Wed 10.00 am – 12.30 pm with Holy Trinity Social Club

Everyone is welcome to come in for free during these times, with tea and coffee available for all who wish!

Bishop Patrick is making a visitation to our parish this weekend. He will preside at our parish's three celebrations of Mass, greet those who are also parishioners of the Polish Parish of St Maximilian Kolbe's Mass at the end of their Mass on Saturday evening in St Mary on the Sea Church, and has the opportunity to meet everyone after the four celebrations of Sunday Mass in our parish.

This Sunday afternoon, at 3.00 pm in Corpus Christi Church, the Bishop will lead a **Celebration of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:** 11th February is the day on which we honour Our Lady of Lourdes on the anniversary each of year of her first apparition to St Bernadette in 1858, and it is the World Day of the Sick. Those are ill – whatever the illness, whether it is chronic or acute, mental or physical – preparing for serious surgery or suffering from anxieties can and should be anointed to receive the grace of the sacrament. The celebration will be followed by refreshments in Holy Trinity Parish Hall, to which entrance will be free, and I would appreciate if those coming could bring something for a shared table in the hall. Fr Andrew

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, 14th February, and is a **day of fasting & abstinence;** Mass with the blessing and distribution of ash will be celebrated as listed opposite.

The Bishops of England & Wales teach that, by acts of penance, 'every Catholic identifies with Christ in his Death on the Cross. We do so in prayer, through uniting the sufferings and sacrifices in our lives with those of Christ's passion; in fasting, by dying to self to be close to Christ; in almsgiving, by demonstrating our solidarity with the sufferings of Christ in those in need. All three forms of penance are a vital part of Christian living.'

Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of the year other than Easter Friday and solemnities are days of penance, on which abstinence from meat is obligatory for those aged fourteen and over; fasting is also obligatory on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday for those between the ages of eighteen and fifty-nine. Fasting and abstinence are not limited to those two days and are recommended for those who are not bound to it; those who cannot fast or abstain for reasons of health are excused from so doing.

The law of abstinence prohibits the use of meat; the law of fasting means we have only one full, meatless meal, but can take some food at two other regular mealtimes, if necessary, if

they are less than a full meal. Liquids are allowed at any time, but no solid food should be consumed between meals. Alcohol and celebratory meals are not within the spirit of fasting and abstinence.

Ash is placed on the crown of our heads, where we were anointed with the Oil of Sacred Chrism when we were baptised, as Lent summons us to reflect on how we value all in the name of Jesus the Christ by exercising our baptismal mission of Prophet, Priest and King so that all may flourish. On Ash Wednesday, we will hear Jesus teach us in the Gospel, 'When you give alms,' 'when you pray' and 'when you fast' – not 'If' we do these three things. So, it's already time for us to think about what we're going to give up *and* take on for the Season of Lent, a God-given opportunity for us to reflect on our threefold relationship with others (almsgiving, reflecting the Kingly Mission), God (prayer, reflecting the Priestly Mission) and ourselves (fasting, reflecting the Prophetic Mission).

Let us continue to pray and think about how we live our Baptism, when we were given the flame of faith to be kept burning brightly, and in the light of our faith, what we are going to **focus on in Lent**, in prayer, **take on for Lent**, in almsgiving and **give up for Lent**, in fasting. 'Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us, for we have sinned against you.' There will be more information on Ash Wednesday about various parish and other initiatives to help us to live Lent in the Prophetic Mission in fasting, the Priestly Mission in Prayer and the Kingly Mission in almsgiving. Fr Andrew

Parish Administrator: I am seeking to appoint a parish administrator, for a six-month extendable contract while we work with neighbouring parishes on the development of a deanery service hub for the benefit of all of us in the Northern Lincolnshire Deanery. The position requires a pastorally minded, friendly and hardworking person who will support me in accordance with our parish's Vision and in fulfilment of the job specification, and who will also often be the first point of contact for parishioners and non-parishioners like, willing to work for 24 hours per week, based in St Mary's Presbytery. If you would like more information, please write to Fr Andrew at andrew.cole@dioceseofnottingham.uk The closing date for applications is Shrove Tuesday, 13th February 2024. Fr Andrew

Parish Census: I am grateful to everyone who filled in census forms, and to those who have taken them to others, and I ask for everyone's ongoing cooperation so that our records are up to date. If you were not at Mass on the last two Sundays, please complete a form today and leave it in one of the offertory collection boxes as you leave Mass. Fr Andrew

Thank You: Amanda Mellows retired on Friday, after almost seven years of service as parish administrator, having given many years before that to the service of our Catholic schools in our parish and deanery. I would like to thank her for her sterling work during this time, which I appreciate enormously, as it has enabled me to concentrate on my pastoral role as your parish priest. In recognition of her service, Bishop Patrick is awarding her the diocesan St Hugh of Lincoln Medal during 11.00 Mass this morning. She will continue to assist me on a voluntary basis until a new parish administrator is appointed. Amanda, thank you for everything that you have done for me and the parish! Fr Andrew