



Welcome to
Saint Bernadette's Church
26th April – 2nd May
Third Week of Easter (A)

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Gospel Reflection

This attractive and delicate story is the story of the journey to faith in the Risen Christ: it occurs in any Christian instruction, and especially in the Eucharist, formed from instruction based on the scriptures, and then brought to fulfilment in the sacrament. The two disciples start off deep in depression and disappointment. But, they are open-minded and willing to learn as the Stranger explains to them from scripture the meaning of events. Their hearts burn within them at the Stranger's words, but their eyes remain closed. It is only in the sacramental meal that they recognise the Risen Christ.

The Eucharist is a sacrament of initiation, bringing us to the intimate, personal encounter with Christ. Once they have been enlightened and have learnt the profound meaning of the events, the truth of the scriptures and the resurrection, then the disciples return to the Holy City to carry on their own Christian apostolate by spreading the news of the resurrection. This is the shape of the Christian vocation which we all receive, to assimilate and pass on the meaning of Christ's resurrection. (HW)

Catholic National Shrine and Basilica of Our Lady Walsingham

Retreat with Mgr John Armitage 19 – 26 April

The live stream schedule and recordings of talks during this week; along with accompanying notes for each session are available on the website:

<https://www.walsingham.org.uk/2020/04/15/retreat-by-mgr-john-armitage-19th-to-26th-april/>



- Talk 1** (Sunday 19/4/2020 PM) The Seven Principles of Lectio Divina
- Talk 2** (Monday 20/4/2020 AM)
- Talk 3** (Monday 20/4/2020 PM)
- Talk 4** (Tuesday 21/4/2020 AM)
- Talk 5** (Tuesday 21/4/2020 PM) The Trial in the Desert
- Talk 6** (Wednesday 22/4/2020 AM)
- Talk 7** (Wednesday 22/4/2020 PM) A Short Road to Perfection

Talk 8 (Thursday 23/4/2020 AM)

Talk 9 (Thursday 23/4/2020 PM)

Talk 10 (Friday 24/4/2020 PM)

CATECHESIS Programme from Monday 27th April

The Shrine is very grateful to Father Stephen Wang for allowing us to use his Sycamore Program. We shall be showing the 20 half hour videos, starting on Monday 27th April. They will be shown at 10.30am and 4.00pm each day.

From Canon Geoffrey

To all Parishioners. I do hope you are all keeping well and safe. Please continue to remember in your daily prayers those who are working hard to keep us all safe currently.

Fr Liam and myself continue to offer daily mass, and I know that Fr Liam continues to broadcast mass via YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTVu12KyBK9X9xpOhMXEaQg>
St Bernadette's Church Facebook: www.facebook.com/stbernadettesashby/
We are holding you all very much at prayer during these challenging times.

Although our celebration of Easter Sunday ended with the conclusion of the Octave of Easter on the Second Sunday of Easter, our celebration of the Season of Easter continues right until the Solemnity of Pentecost, which this year we will celebrate on Sunday 31st May.

There is an important matter which I'd just like to remind you about – the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. As I mentioned during the Season of Lent, we will always try to visit those parishioners who are in danger of death, whether in hospital or at home, to give them the 'last rites', namely the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Anointing of the Sick and the Apostolic Pardon; however, it may not be possible because of the restrictions imposed by law by Her Majesty's Government during this period, which are there to protect all of us from what is a very infectious and dangerous virus. If they are in the Scunthorpe General Hospital, we can only go if we are contacted by the hospital directly, and so they, or a relative, should ask the nurse to contact us. Similarly, if they are in a nursing home or residential home, the home must contact us directly by calling 01724 844895 and if necessary leaving a voicemail. If they are in their own home, someone from within their residential household must contact us directly. This ensures that it is safe and legal for us to go, and not inconvenient for those who are caring for the sick.

I am conscious that many of our children are unable to return to their schools following Easter, and would ask that you keep all the staff and students in your prayers as well, likewise, the parents of our young people.

Please continue to keep in your prayers all the sick, vulnerable and those who are in isolation currently and where possible do keep in touch with these members of our parishes, via the telephone or email.

Please do remember in our prayers those members of our communities who have died recently: Gail Fitzgerald, Martin Wagner, Margaret Smith, Nadine Kitching, Bridget Brennan, Margery Thomas, Charlotte Griffith, Margaret McCormack, and Pamela Haigh – may they rest in peace! Please remember their families at this sad time.

To you all, please keep safe and well.

With every blessing to you all

Canon Geoffrey & Fr Liam

Live Streaming of Masses and Devotions

Third Week of Easter

St Barnabas Cathedral:

http://www.stbarnabascathedral.org.uk/01_Community/livestream.html

Monday – Friday 1:00pm Weekday Mass

Sunday 10:00am Holy Mass celebrated by the
Cathedral clergy

Bishop Patrick from Bishop's House

For details of Mass times and devotions visit:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCaf7upUMsn3Kl8GD79FotjQ>

Director of Adult Formation for Mission

The Diocese of Nottingham seeks to appoint a Director of Adult Formation for Mission to work with the Bishop of Nottingham and the Parishes of the Diocese to lead the creation and delivery of opportunities for adult formation, promoting the Diocesan Vision and Mission and the three themes of Encounter, Discipleship and Missionary Discipleship, and helping our people to grow in confidence as practical, engaging, Spirit-filled witnesses of Jesus Christ in their everyday lives. This would suit a committed Catholic, qualified in theology, catechetics, evangelisation or pastoral ministry, experienced in leading catechesis and evangelisation and with a passion for the mission of the Church.

Salary: £45,000 - £50,000 dependant on qualifications and experience. **For more information and an application pack email:** office@dioceseofnottingham.uk
Closing date 25 May 2020.