



**The Catholic Parishes of Holy Souls' and  
St Bernadette's, Scunthorpe and St Norbert's, Crowle  
Mass Timetable for week beginning  
Fourth Sunday of Advent - 24th December 2023**

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Date/Of the Day	Holy Souls	St Bernadette's	St Norbert's
<b>Saturday, 23rd Advent Feria</b>	-	<b>3.15 to 4.15 pm</b> Exposition and Confessions <b>4.30 pm (Vigil) Mass</b> Michael & John Keane RIP	-
<b>Sunday, 24th December Fourth Sunday in Advent</b>	<b>10.00 am Mass</b> Frances Wattam RIP	<b>9.30 am Polish Mass</b> Polish Priest Intentions <b>11.30 am Mass</b> Mary Morrissey RIP <b>3.00 pm Mass</b> Syro-Malabar Mass	<b>8.30 am Mass</b> Brian Hunt's Intention
<b>Vigil of The Nativity of The Lord</b>	<b>4.30 pm Mass</b> Ildegarda Eva	<b>6.00 pm Mass</b> People of the Parish <b>11.30 pm Mass</b> John & Joan McCaffrey RIP	
<b>Monday, 25th The Nativity of The Lord</b>	<b>11.00 am Mass</b> People of the Parish	<b>8.00 am Mass</b> Patrick Shilliday RIP	<b>9.30 am Mass</b> People of the Parish
<b>Tuesday, 26th St Stephen</b>	<b>11.00 am Mass</b> Matthias & Doris Kempen RIP	-	-
<b>Wednesday, 27th St John</b>	-	-	<b>10.30 am Mass</b> Matthias & Doris Kempen RIP
<b>Thursday, 28th The Holy Innocents</b>	-	<b>10.00 am Mass</b> Gerald Murphy Intention	-
<b>Friday, 29th St Thomas of Canterbury</b>	<b>10.00 am Mass</b> Colin Green RIP	-	-
<b>Saturday, 30th Sixth Day within The Octave Of Christmas</b>	-	<b>3.15 to 4.15 pm</b> Exposition and Confessions <b>4.30 pm (Vigil) Mass</b> Freda Tompkinson RIP	-
<b>Sunday, 31st December The Holy Family</b>	<b>10.00 am Mass</b> Anna Le Thi Chien RIP	<b>9.30 am Polish Mass</b> Polish Priest Intentions <b>11.30 am Mass</b> Kathleen Ramsbottom RIP <b>3.00 pm Mass</b> Syro-Malabar Mass	<b>8.30 am Mass</b> Anne Platts RIP
<b>Monday, 1st January 2024 Mary, The Holy Mother of God</b>	-	<b>9.30 am</b> Cynthia & Brian Manderson RIP	-

For Polish Mass Times at Holy Souls Church, please see the Polish bulletin at the back of Holy Souls Church, or visit [www.facebook.com/parafia.polska.scun.link.grim](https://www.facebook.com/parafia.polska.scun.link.grim)

**The Pope's Prayer Intention for December 2023**

**For persons with disabilities**

We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programmes which value their active participation."

**Safeguarding Representatives**

**St Bernadette's:** Janice Moran/Barbara Faulds 07513 725545  
**Holy Souls':** -  
**Diocesan Safeguarding Coordinator:**  
 Rachael Campion 01159 539849

**A reflection from Pope Francis for the Year of Prayer  
Fourth Sunday of Advent**

There is no better way to pray than to place oneself like Mary in an attitude of openness, with a heart open to God: "Lord, what you want, when you want, and how you want". That is, a heart open to God's will. And God always responds.

To read the full reflection and find more resources at [dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer](http://dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer)

**In your charity please pray for**

Rita Hodgson and all who have died recently, may they rest in peace.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

Please pray for their families at this difficult time; for those whose anniversaries occur at this time; for all who are sick and housebound and those who have no family to support them.

**Sunday Mass Car Parking - St Bernadette's Church**

Can drivers please be mindful when parking their cars to avoid double parking and blocking access to the car park and Church. In the event of an emergency the fire brigade and ambulance service will need to be able to get on site quickly. Drivers are also politely asked not to park in front of the 'keep clear' notice near the Church. Thank you

**St Bernadette's Adoration Chapel**

will re-open on Monday 8th January 2024.

**Volunteer Registration Form**

We are very grateful to our team of volunteers who give their time in many roles within our Church communities. We are compiling a register of volunteers and kindly ask that you complete a 'Volunteer Registration' form which is available at the back of our Churches. Please place it in an envelope marked 'For the attention of the Parish Safeguarding Representative' and hand it into the Sacristy or Canon Matthew by 7th January 2024. Thank you.'

**Parish Census**

If you haven't already done so, please remember to complete and return your census form as soon as possible. Thank you.

**Holy Souls' Church - Refreshments**

will be served in the Parish Hall after the 10.00 am Mass on the first Sunday of the month.

**Upcoming Second Collections**

Sunday, 14th January 2024 Sick and Retired Priests.  
 Sunday, 25th February 2024 CAFOD Fast Day

**Holy Souls' Church**

**First Holy Communion 2024**

Would parents/guardians please pick up an information letter from the Sacristy.

**Toilets - Holy Souls Church**

Yet again the toilets have been left in an unsanitary state with toilets being blocked and lumps of wet toilet roll stuck to the doors! We are at a point where if this situation does not improve, the toilets will be locked with the key being available on request. We are closely monitoring the situation but in the meantime can all parents/guardians please accompany their child(ren) to the toilet - on every occasion. Thank you.

**St Bernadette's - New Bingo Session**

on the third Sunday of the month, starting on 21st January 2024 at 7.00 pm in the Parish Centre. Proceeds towards the renovations of St Bernadette's Adoration Chapel. If you have any gifts that you would like to donate as raffle prizes, please hand them in to St Bernadette's Presbytery.

**SVP Lunch**

in St Bernadette's Parish Centre on Tuesday, 9th January 2024 from 12.30 pm to 2.30 pm, preceded by a Eucharistic Service in St Bernadette's Church at 12 noon.

**School admissions to Catholic Primary Academies**

**(Reception Year) - Children born between  
01/09/2019 and 31/08/2020**

The deadline for submitting your application for a school place is **15th January 2024**. Application forms are available on your 'home' Local Authority website. For every Catholic school you apply for if you wish your child to be considered and ranked under a **faith criterion** you **should also complete a supplementary information form**, and return this form to the school by the deadline, (forms are available from the LA and the school). You **MUST** also include the supporting **evidence\*** as required with this form, eg baptism certificate (photocopies acceptable). Failure to supply the required supporting evidence will mean your child is ranked in a lower criterion which may affect your chance of a place.

*\*If you do not have the required evidence please contact the parish where your child was baptised for a copy certificate in good time (NB: there may be a charge for this)*

**Message from Canon Matthew**

Thank you to everyone who has helped to prepare our Churches for Christmas; it is very much appreciated. I wish you, and your families, a blessed and peaceful Christmas and thank you for your continued support throughout the year.

*Canon Matthew*

**Christmas Offerings**

The Christmas Offering collections will take place during the Christmas Octave Masses and are your gift to our Parish Priest. Please remember that the collection goes to the priest as he does not receive a salary from the Church. Envelopes are available in our Churches from this weekend.

**Our local Catholic Schools**

**Primary:**

- St Augustine Webster Catholic Voluntary Academy, Baildon Road, Scunthorpe, DN15 8BU. 01724 843722
- St Bernadette's Catholic Primary Voluntary Academy, Anne's Crescent, Scunthorpe, DN16 2LW. 01724 842382
- St Norbert's Catholic Primary Voluntary Academy, Fieldside, Crowle, Scunthorpe, DN17 4HL. 01724 710249

**Secondary:**

- St Bede's Catholic Voluntary Academy, Collum Avenue, Scunthorpe, DN16 2TF. 01724 245151