

Welcome to the Parish of St Charles Borromeo, National Forest

Primary School

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Our Lady of Lourdes & St Charles Borromeo, Ashby
Our Lady of Mercy & St Philip Neri, Melbourne
Church of the Risen Lord, Castle Donington

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25th Week of Ordinary Time - 2026

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Mass times		Mass location	Feast Day	Intention
Sat 19 th	17:00	Castle Donington	25 th Sunday of Ordinary Time	Darryl Williams
Sun vigil			25 th Sunday of Ordinary Time	People of the Parish
Sun 20th	9:00	Melbourne	25 th Sunday of Ordinary Time	Adrian Smith (RIP)
-	11:00	Ashby	25 th Sunday of Ordinary Time	Mary Reilly (RIP)
Mon 21 th	9:15	Melbourne	ST MATTHEW	-
Tues 22th	8:30	Castle Donington (Adoration)	-	-
-	9:15	Castle Donington	Feria	Peace in the Ukraine
Weds 23 th	9:30		St Pius of Pietrelcina	Mass of Thanksgiving
Thurs 24th	9:15	Castle Donington	OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM	Kathleen Murray (int)
Fri 25 th	8:30	Melbourne (Adoration)	-	-
-	9:15	Melbourne	Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart	Edward Orton (RIP)
Sat 26th	8:00	Ashby*	Memorial of the BVM	Private intention
-	8:30	Ashby Adoration	-	-
Sun vigil	17:00	Castle Donington	26 th Sunday of Ordinary Time	People of the Parish
Sun 27 th	9:00	Melbourne	26 th Sunday of Ordinary Time	Vanessa (birthday)
-	11:00	Ashby	26 th Sunday of Ordinary Time	Julie & Don Whetton – 50 th Anniversary

*Mass from Divine Worship of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham. All welcome.

NOTE: the Thursday Mass at Castle Donington has moved from 9:10 to 8:45am this week, in order for Fr. Andrew to meet other commitments.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

(Confession) Times

Castle Donington: Saturday 6pm (after Mass),

Melbourne: Sunday 8:30am (before Mass),

Ashby-de-la-Zouch:

Saturday 8:30 am (after Mass) & Sunday 10:30 am (before Mass).

If you cannot make these times, please speak to Fr. Andrew to make alternative arrangements.

Praying the Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet during the week

Ashby: Tuesdays 10:15 am for Priests & Religious & vocations & Fridays 10:15 am for Peace. Divine Mercy Chaplet Wednesdays at 9:10 am.

Castle Donington: Rosary at 8:50 am before Mass on Tues and Thurs.

Melbourne: Divine Mercy Chaplet on Fridays at 8:50am before Mass.

INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) course every 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month. It is open to all who are interested in learning more about joining the Catholic Church. 6:30pm to 8pm in the Crypt of Our Lady of Lourdes, Ashby. **September's next date is 24th. October's dates are 8th & 22nd.**

2nd Collection for 20th September: HOME MISSION SUNDAY

Weekend Collections

Attendance - 230
Collections – £ 436.66
Envelopes – £ 111.00
Standing Orders – £ n/a
Total – £ 547.66
2nd Collections– £243.11
Thank you.

Urgent!

Parish Bookkeeper
required.
Please speak to Fr.
Andrew or Tony Holt if
you can help.
Urgent!

Parish bank account details for on-line donations:

Name: St Charles
Borromeo RCP
Bank: Lloyds Bank
Account: 00554976
Sort: 30-92-15

You can also donate using
the **Digital Collection Plate
(DCP)** at Our Lady of
Lourdes, and directly on
our website.
*If you have used the
previous DCP and entered
your details for gift aid, you
will need to reimport your
details in the new one.*

New Dates for Children's Liturgy at Melbourne

20 Sept

Teachers Needed:

Please contact Meryl Baldwin - 01332 865352

Marriage support - Does your relationship need some
TLC? Need help with deeper issues?

Next programme starts 17th

October www.retrouaille.org.uk Tel: +44 7887 296 983

1st Holy Communion Classes begin 24th January, 2027 –

It is expected that all those who are looking to start
preparations for 1st Holy Communion next year will already
be regularly attending Mass. **We are looking for a
volunteer to learn how to administrate the course, pls
speak for Fr. Andrew**

Red Box Collection – If you have a Red Box which you
have been using at home to collect change for Missio,
please bring into church during the next few weeks so
that it can be counted. *Thank you!*

TWO NEW COURSES THIS AUTUMN

- 1) Bible Study for young adults** – every 1st Tuesday of
the Month at OLOL, for 18 to 35 year olds, **beginning
Oct 6th at 7pm**. If you are interested, please let Fr.
Andrew know by dropping him an email. We start
with Genesis and the Gospel of St John. You should
bring a copy of an ESV Bible, Catholic edition.
(Available at the back of the churches)
- 2) Young Families** – a new online course run by the
parish for young families and newly-weds begins
Weds 7th Oct, 7 to 8pm. It will run on alternate
weeks. The link will be available next week.

During the **Week of Prayer for Palestine and Israel**,
beginning today, **Sunday 20th September**, we are invited
to hold the people of the Holy Land, especially its children,
in prayer and solidarity, and to let our prayer move us
towards action. Pax Christi England and Wales has
produced a new prayer resource, *Written on the Palm of
Your Hand – Prayer for Children*, offering a simple but
powerful way to pray with and for children living amid
violence, fear and displacement. Download the prayer
leaflet and join in praying for peace, justice and a future
where every child can flourish, at
<https://paxchristi.org.uk/wppi-prayer-cards/>

PRAYERS FOR THE HOME

- 1) I pray for those who hate Jesus. May their hearts be
broken by His Divine Love.*
- 2) I pray for all those who have died recently and whose
families are grieving. May they find comfort in God's
abiding and eternal love.*
- 3) Help me to be less selfish. I have enough. Help me to
separate myself from my pointless desire for more.*
- 4) In the past I have been wounded by the wilful acts of
others against me. Help me to forgive and to bless.*

The Diocese is inviting all Catechists to a day at Holy Trinity
Newark on **Saturday 17th October** entitled: **Reimagining
Catechesis**. As a catechist would you love to see more
families engaged with parish life and growing in faith? That
at the end of sacramental programmes fewer people would
'disappear'. This day led by the team from GIFT (Growing In
Faith Together) will share how this is happening in their
parishes and it can happen in yours too. For more
information see the poster in church or visit
dioceseofnottingham.uk/events

CHRISTMAS TREES

The parish has received a very generous offer of a free
gift of 150 Christmas trees which we can then sell on
to you, our parishioners. The price will be between
£15 & £25, for trees that are between 4ft, 6ft and
really big. If you are interested, I will be putting out a
list for next week.

LOOKING AT THE SACRAMENTS

3) The Holy Eucharist

In the Holy Eucharist we participate in Christ's redemptive act
for the world. It is primarily a sacrifice. Under the outward
sign of bread and wine. we receive his Body and Blood
because it is necessary for our salvation. Jesus himself tells
us this: *'I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If
anyone eats of this bread, he will live for ever. And the bread
that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'* (John 6:58)

The fruits of this Sacrament are:

- An increase in the communicant's union with Christ
- Forgiveness of venial sins.
- Reservation from grave sins
- A strengthening of the bonds of charity between the
communicant and Christ.
- A strengthening of the unity of the Church as the
Mystical Body of Christ.