Welcome to the Parish of St Charles Borromeo, National Forest

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Our Lady of Mercy & St Philip Neri, Melbourne
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33rd Week of Ordinary Time - 2026

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Mass times		Mass location	Feast Day	Intention
Sat14th Sun vigil	17:00	Castle Donington	33rd Week of Ordinary Time	Families of Ranz & Piech
Sun 15th	**9:00**	**Melbourne**	33rd Week of Ordinary Time	Deceased family and friends
-	**11:00**	**Ashby**	33rd Week of Ordinary Time	People of the Parish
Mon 16th	9:15	Melbourne	St Margaret of Scotland	Lord Peter Lothian (RIP)
Tues 17th	**8:30**	**Castle Donington (Adoration)**	-	-
-	**9:15**	**Castle Donington**	ST HUGH OF LINCOLN	Clive Watts (RIP)
Weds 18th	9:30	Ashby	Dedication of Basilicas of Sts Peter and Paul	Sue Cronin (RIP)
Thurs 19th	**9:15**	**Castle Donington**	Feria	Holy Souls
Fri 20th	8:30	Melbourne (Adoration)	-	-
-	9:15	Melbourne	Votive Mass Sacred Heart of Jesus	Peace in the Holy Land
Sat 21st	**8:00**	**Ashby* (Sacred Heart chapel)**	Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Margaret Masters (90th Birthday)
-	**8:30**	**Ashby (Adoration)**	-	-
Sun vigil	17:00	Castle Donington	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE	Josie & Fred Allen
Sun 22nd	9:00	Melbourne	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE	Singara & Bellamy family
-	11:00	Ashby	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE	Gratitude for 90 blessed years (Margaret Masters)
	14:00	Melbourne	Blessing of Graves and Melbourne	-

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

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. **November's last date is 26th.**

2nd Collection on 22nd November: CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Weekend Collections

Attendance - 214
Collections – £ 474.66
Envelopes – £ 79.00
Standing Orders – £ 2,882
Digital Plate - £ 717.70
Total – £ 4,153.36
2nd Collection – £ 65.80

Thank you!

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 electronically using our Digital Collection Plate at Ashby.

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. **Forms are now ready for collection.** We are looking for a volunteer to learn how to administrate the course, pls speak for Fr. Andrew

Ashby Sunday Coffee Team is looking for two new volunteers to join our rota. It is a good way to meet people and bring our community together. If you can help, please speak to Tony Holt or Fr. Andrew

TWO COURSES RUNNING IN THE PARISH

1) **BIBLE STUDY FOR YOUNG ADULTS** – every 1st Tuesday of the Month at OLOL, for 18 to 35 year olds. Our next session is 1st December.
2) **PARENTING COURSE** – an online course run by the parish for parents growing in love for each other, for the family and for the Church. **Our next session is Weds 11th Nov, 8 to 9pm**. To receive the link to join via Teams please email: rita.hicklinPSR@dioceseofnottingham.uk

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Melbourne Church
13 December- 2pm
£10 includes seasonal refreshments
Tickets on sale after mass, on the door or
Contact: Linda W email: lawordsworth@hotmail.com
Tel: 07967380135

100 CLUB

We're now taking payment for 2027- your lucky year!
Contact Linda W or Luisa Sutcliffe

PRAYERS FOR THE HOME

1) *We pray for all the sick of the parish. May they draw strength from Jesus', and our, love for them.*
2) *We pray for all those who are exploited, especially for those forced into prostitution or county lines gangs. May they be released from their servitude.*
3) *For those who live in situations of domestic abuse. May they find the help they need from the Church, and release from their misery.*
4) *We pray for a renewed boldness in proclaiming the Gospel and the salvation which comes from Jesus Christ, alone.*

CHRISTMAS TREES

The parish has received a very generous offer of a gift of 150 Christmas trees which we are pleased to offer you, at reasonable cost. The price will be between £15 & £25, for trees that are between 4ft, 6ft and really big. There is a list at the back of church for you to put your details on. **Trees delivered 5th December to OLOL**. Or you can find your ideal tree by calling Paul on 07496 518893 to arrange a tree hunt.

2026 ADVENT 2ND COLLECTIONS - Hospices

In view of the defeat of the assisted dying bill, the PPC have decided that more support should be provided to our hospices. Therefore, three local hospices will be supported - St. Giles, Tree Tops and Loros through our Advent 2nd collections.

and a Christmas Raffle

A Raffle will be held with Luxury Hampers as the prizes. From the 1st November please could you please help by donating luxury items to make up the hampers.
A list of goods required, to give people an idea of what to donate, will be at the back so you can pick your donation, and a box is at the back to place the donations in our 3 churches. (Please check expiry dates).
Generosity is a virtue! – *Patricia Clews*

WHY HAVE WE STARTED SAYING THE PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL AFTER MASS?

The prayer to St Michael the Archangel was written by Pope Leo the XIII in 1884, after he had had a spiritual vision while he was celebrating the Mass on October 13th of that same year. In that vision he had encountered the evil of Satan running amok throughout the world. Pope Leo XIII instructed that the prayer be said after every mass throughout the universal church in 1886, and this remained the case until that rule was revoked in 1964 when Novus Ordo was instituted. The reason it was removed was to keep the Mass purely liturgical (prayed with the people) rather than including devotional elements. Because the prayer was never included in the missal it was considered 'additional'.

So why re-introduce it?

Because spiritual warfare continues around us, and this prayer should make us much more conscious of it. St John Paul II said we must not forget this prayer. Evil exists; it must be confronted by the Church. The prayer is said after the dismissal, so it is not, strictly speaking, part of the Mass. Please consider praying it as part of your daily private devotions.

We urgently need new Raffle prizes and books to support the Tombola and tabletop sale at Melbourne. Please consider donating your quality, unwanted items.