

Welcome to the Parish of St Charles Borromeo, National Forest

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

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Palm Sunday and HOLY WEEK

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We have an Instagram page: follow us on *st_charles_borromeo_speaks*

	Mass times			Mass location	Feast Day	Intention
28 th	Saturday	17:00	pm	Castle Donington	Palm Sunday	Peter Neal Jnr
29 th	Sun vigil	9:00	am	Melbourne	Palm Sunday	People of the Parish
	-	11:00	am	Ashby	Palm Sunday	Marcelle Mallia-Bondin (RIP)
30 th	Monday	9:15	am	Melbourne	Monday of Holy Week	Holy Souls
31 st	Tuesday	8:30	am	Castle Donington (Holy Hour)	-	-
		9:15	am	-	Tuesday of Holy Week	Cecylia (RIP)
1 st	Wednesday	11:30	am	St Barnabas Cathedral	CHRISM MASS	-
2 nd	Thursday	19:00	pm	Ashby	MAUNDY THURSDAY	Henry Kuryl (RIP)
		20:30	pm	-	Watch before the Blessed Sacrament until midnight	-
3 rd	Friday	15:00	pm	Ashby	GOOD FRIDAY	-
4 th	Saturday	11:30	am	Ashby	HOLY SATURDAY Polish Easter Basket Blessing	-
	Sun vigil	20:00	pm	Ashby	EASTER VIGIL	Joseph & Margaret Hicks (RIP)
5 th	Sunday	9:00	am	Castle Donington	EASTER DAY	Lisa & Julien Khan
	-	11:00	am	Melbourne	EASTER DAY	People of the Parish

He is risen, Halleluiah! Have a Blessed, Happy and Holy Easter!

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Praying the Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet during the week

Ashby: Tuesdays 10.15 am for Priests & Religious & vocations & Fridays 10:15 am for Peace
Wednesdays at 9:10 am Divine Mercy Chaplet

Castle Donington: Rosary 20 minutes before Mass during the week

Melbourne: Divine Mercy Chaplet on Fridays during Holy Hour before Mass



3rd April 2nd Collection: **HOLY PLACES OF PALESTINE**

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.

†† Stations of the Cross during Lent ††

Accompany Jesus to the Cross. Make Lent count and prepare for Easter.

Ashby-de-la-Zouch - This Sunday at **15:00**

Castle Donington - Weds Apr 1 at 18:30

Lenten Reflections – continue based on the writings and life of St Therese of Lisieux. They are from 10:30 (after adoration) to 12:00, in the crypt at Our Lady of Lourdes.

NEW GIFT AID CO-ORDINATOR – We are looking for someone to be our new Gift Aid Co-Ordinator. It is not a very demanding role, and George would be very happy to talk to you about it. Please speak to Fr. Andrew.

NEW PARISH BOOK-KEEPER REQUIRED – after 12 years of dedicated service Tony Holt is stepping down as Parish Book-keeper. If a member of the parish has a little book-keeping experience and would be able to help in this capacity, please speak to Fr. Andrew or Tony. Tony is happy to speak about what is required and give you guidance. This is an essential role in the functioning of the parish, and needs to be filled soon so please give it your prayerful attention.

CONFIRMATION IN 2026 – We will shortly be starting the preparation of young people for the sacrament of Confirmation. The date for Confirmation is Tuesday 24th November, 2026. To be eligible you will need to be at least 14 years old by that date. Classes are the 1st and 2nd Thursdays of the month. Registration forms are now available in the church or email Fr. Andrew. **The first session will be Thursday the 16th of April at 18:30 in the crypt of Our Lady of Lourdes, Ashby.**

PRAYERS FOR THE HOME IN THE EASTER PERIOD

1. For a deepened love and faith in Christ.
2. For the Holy Church, that she may proclaim the Gospel with courage and joy.
3. For our community of faith, that we may grow and open the doors for many to enter.
4. For the faithful departed, that they may share in the Resurrection.
5. For peace in the World.

Children's Liturgy at Melbourne

5/4, 19/4, HOLIDAYS 17/5, 31/5, 14/6, 28/6

Teachers Needed: please contact Meryl Baldwin 01332 865352



Encountering Jesus in the Gospels: how to lead groups in reflective prayer. On Tuesday evenings between April and June join the Jesuit Institute online for a short online formation course building the skills and confidence needed to hold and guide groups of those who wish to deepen their relationship with Jesus, in conversation with others, through reflectively praying with gospel texts.

www.jesuitinstitute.org/events/encountering-jesus-in-the-gospels

HOLY HOUR FOR A CULTURE OF LIFE

Sunday 19 April

On **Sunday, 19 April at 4:30 pm** (UK time), the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales will hold a Holy Hour to pray for the promotion of a culture of life in our lands.

It is my desire that we a Holy Hour on the same day as the Bishops, and, if at all possible, have it in our three churches at the same time.

This is to present a unified, prayerful front to offer this petition to Our Lord for the dignity of life from conception to natural end and to pray that assisted suicide will not become law. – Fr. Andrew

NOVENA TO DIVINE MERCY

Please consider offering a Novena to the **Divine Mercy** starting on Good Friday and ending on Holy Saturday. By doing so we immerse ourselves in the Mercy of Jesus and his love for us.

There are free leaflets available for you to take to guide you through the prayers of the Novena and the accompanying Divine mercy chaplet. Receive the Mercy of Christ this Easter. He is thirsting for your love.

JESUS I TRUST IN YOU

INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?

RCIA (Roman Catholic Initiation for Adults) course every 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month. It is open to all who are interested in learning more about and joining the Catholic Church. 6:30pm to 8pm in the Crypt of Our Lady of Lourdes, Ashby. **Next dates are April 9th and 23rd.**

Attendance	Collections	Envelopes	Standing Orders	Total	Parish LOROS Lent Collection
276	£ 638.49	£ 75.50	£ -	£ 712.99	£ 684.91