

Welcome to the Parish of St Charles Borromeo, National Forest

Primary School
St Charles Borromeo
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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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1st Week of Christmastide HOLY FAMILY

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| | Mass times | | | Mass location | Feast Day | Intention |
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| 27 th | Saturday | 17:00 | pm | Castle Donington | THE HOLY FAMILY | Eugene Fox (RIP) |
| 28 th | Sun vigil | 9:00 | am | Melbourne | THE HOLY FAMILY | People of the Parish |
| | Sunday | 11:00 | am | Ashby | THE HOLY FAMILY | Tom Pickering (RIP) |
| 29 th | - | | | Ashby | Funeral of Sean Cafferky | - |
| 30 th | Monday | 11:00 | am | Castle Donington (Holy Hour) | - | - |
| | Tuesday | 8:30 | am | | | |
| | - | 9:15 | am | Castle Donington | 6 th Day within the Octave | Tess & Brian Casey (health) |
| 31st | Wednesday | 9:30 | am | Ashby | St Sylvester I, Pope | Joseph Lehel (RIP) |
| 1st | Thursday | 9:00 | am | Castle Donington | MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD | Mary Reilly (RIP) |
| | | 11:00 | am | Ashby | MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD | Patricia Matthews (RIP) |
| 2 nd | Friday | 8:30 | am | Melbourne (Holy Hour) | - | - |
| - | | 9:15 | am | Melbourne | Sts Basil and Gregory | Lord Peter Lothian (RIP) |
| 3 rd | Saturday | 08:00 | am | Ashby * | Most Holy Name of Jesus | Jackie Hedge (RIP) |
| - | Sun vigil | 08:30 | am | Ashby (Holy Hour) | - | - |
| | 17:30 | pm | | Castle Donington | 2 nd Sunday after Christmas | Carmel Lycett (80 th) |
| 4th | Sunday | 09:00 | am | Melbourne | 2 nd Sunday after Christmas | People of the Parish |
| - | | 11:00 | am | Ashby | 2 nd Sunday after Christmas | Roger Lascelles (RIP) |

*Mass of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham.

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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



11TH JANUARY, 2026 2ND COLLECTION FOR SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS

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.

A New Year's Message from Fr. Andrew

Thank you for all your good wishes, cards and thoughtful gifts, for me and my family, over the Christmas period. We wish you and your loved ones all the best in the New Year. May we grow closer to God together and allow the graces we have received flourish during both the happy times and the sorrowful times. Sorrow will not darken the joy of the gift the Child has bought us. Our New Year's resolutions should bear on what we will offer others, and for ourselves? Well, how we will let God bring about the change He wills within.

Church amenities cleaning – The outside loo at Our Lady of Lourdes needs some additional volunteers to help keep it tidy. Two more helpers would be a great assistance and would mean that you would only be asked to clean once a month. Please speak to Gwen or Fr. Andrew.

Prayers for the Recently Departed:

Sean Cafferky, John Harrison

Sean's funeral is Monday 29th of Dec at 11:00 at Our Lady of Lourdes, Ashby

100 Club Winners

First December 2025 draw

1st. £25.00 54 Tina Anderson
2nd. £10.00 56 Graham Sutcliffe
3rd. £5.00 04 Mary Webb

Second December 2025 draw:

1st. £25.00 85 Luisa Sutcliffe
2nd. £10.00 60 Sue Long
3rd. £5.00 83 Luisa Sutcliffe

According to Aid to the Church in Need 5.4 billion people (2/3 of the world's population) live in countries where **individuals and entire communities suffer violations of religious freedom**. More than 220 million Christians are at direct risk of persecution. In response, ACN has initiated a petition calling on governments around the world to implement in full Article 18 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the gold standard of religious liberty - the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion, the right to change religion and the right to manifest religion in teaching, practice, worship and observance. Parishioners are invited to stand with persecuted Christians and all those who suffer for their beliefs by signing the ACN Article 18 petition, by visiting: <https://acnuk.org/article-18-petition-religious-freedom-human-right-not-privilege>. Please continue to pray for all those who suffer for their faith.

Bible Alive! For January and February 2006 are now available at the back of church. These are double issues, which means that the price is £6 for two months.

FAREWELL TO CHEQUES

From the New Year, the Post Office will no longer accept our cheque deposits.

Please look to make payments to the church by internet/mobile banking, the card machine in Our lady of Lourdes or cash.

Electronic Funds Transfer:
St Charles Borromeo RCP
Bank: Lloyds Bank
Sort Code: 30-92-15
Account 00554976

INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?

RCIA (Roman Catholic Initiation for Adults) course every 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month for all who are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church. **6:30pm to 8pm** in the Crypt of Our Lady of Lourdes, Ashby. January Dates are the 8th and 22nd.

| Attendance | Collections | Envelopes | Standing Orders | Total | Purple Community Fund |
|------------|-------------|-----------|-----------------|----------|-----------------------|
| 204 | £ 455.76 | £ 197.00 | £ - | £ 652.76 | £ 839.10 |