

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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1st Week of Lent

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	Mass times			Mass location	Feast Day	Intention
	Day	Time	pm/am			
21 st	Saturday Sun vigil	17:00	pm	Castle Donington	1 st Sunday in Lent	Carmel Hanly-Joyce (RIP)
22 nd	Sunday	9:00	am	Melbourne	1 st Sunday in Lent	People of the Parish
	-	11:00	am	Ashby	1 st Sunday in Lent	Sean Cafferky (RIP)
23 rd	Monday	9:15	am	Melbourne	St Polycarp	Alfred Meakin (RIP)
24 th	Tuesday	8:30	am	Castle Donington (Holy Hour)	-	-
	-	9:15	am	-	Lenten Feria	Kieran (RIP) & Murray Family Masters & MacDonald families (int)
25 th	Wednesday	9:30	am	Ashby	Lenten Feria	Conversion of the Parish
26 th	Thursday	9:15	pm	Castle Donington	Lenten Feria	
27 th	Friday	8:30	am	Melbourne (Holy Hour)	-	-
	-	9:15	am	Melbourne*	St Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line & Margaret Ward.	Deceased Clergy
28 th	Saturday	8:00	am	Ashby*	Lenten Feria	Jill Harrison (RIP)
-	-	8:30	am	Ashby (Holy Hour)	-	-
1 st	Sun vigil	17:00	pm	Castle Donington	2 nd Sunday in Lent	James Neal (health)
	Sunday	9:00	am	Melbourne	2 nd Sunday in Lent	People of the Parish
	-	11:00	am	Ashby	2 nd Sunday in Lent	Henry Kuryl (RIP)

Friday the 27th is CAFOD Family Fast Day

Safeguarding contact details:

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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



2nd COLLECTION: CAFOD Lenten Fast Day

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.

PARISH ADVENT CHARITY: LOROS

The local charity that the parish has chosen to support this Lent is LOROS hospice in Leicester. Most of you will be familiar with the work that LOROS does to support the terminally ill, their families and carers. You will also be familiar with the tremendous financial strain that hospices are under. We will be undertaking 2nd Collections for Loros throughout the season of Lent. Please be prayerful and generous. www.loros.co.uk

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On-line STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Join people from across England & Scotland for the Stations of the Cross each Monday at 7:45pm in Lent. We will pray for unborn children, their mothers and all pro-life intentions. Each session includes a brief reflection from a guest speaker. Fr. Andrew will be speaking on the 2nd of March.

Registration: <https://bit.ly/stations26>

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††† Stations of the Cross during Lent †††

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

Ashby-de-la-Zouch - Every Sunday at 15:00

At Melbourne and Castle Donington on alternating Wednesdays beginning at 18:30:

Melbourne – Feb 25, Mar 11, Mar 25

Castle Donington – Mar 4, Mar 18, Apr 1

Lenten Reflections: note for the diary – This Lent, beginning Saturday 21st of February, I will be offering a series of mini retreats based on the writings and life of St Therese of Lisieux. They will be from 10:30 (after adoration) to 12:00, in the crypt at Our Lady of Lourdes.

Our parish CAFOD Big Lent Walk will start from the car park at Our Lady of Lourdes at midday on March 7th. The route will take us along Bath Street to Tamworth Road and on to Willesley Road. From there we will cross the fields along to The Shellbrook Trail towards Hicks Lodge. We will then take a circular route leading us back to Willesley Road eventually returning us to OLOL.

The walk will be around 8 kilometres long and will take between ninety minutes to two hours to complete.

We recommend that walkers wear sturdy walking boots and be prepared to contend with wet and potentially slippery muddy conditions.

Here is the link to Robert's CAFOD fundraising page:

<https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/roberts-fundraising->

New dates for Children's Liturgy at Melbourne

22/2, 8/3, 22/3

Teachers needed

Please contact Meryl Baldwin 01332 865352

The Nottingham 40 Days for Life, Praying for an end to abortion, runs between Wednesday 18th February and Sunday 29th March. During these 40 days of Lent pro-lifers will be: praying for an end to abortion in our community near the main abortion clinic in Nottinghamshire; offering peaceful witness to God's love and the possibility of healing; offering practical, non-judgemental help to women who may want to consider an alternative to abortion, and offering support for post-abortive women. More information is at www.40daysforlife.com/nottingham or contact 40daysforlifennotts@gmail.com

Ashby Flower Team - we are seeking a new member of the Church Flower Team to start in time for Easter. A Team member will introduce the new member to everything they need to know and they will also receive Flower Team Notes with lots of useful information in it. Members always work in pairs to follow Safeguarding guidelines and the chance to socialise. Each member is on call about every 4-5 weeks, often using time on a Friday or Saturday morning so flowers are fresh for Sunday Mass. Some members like to create just vases of flowers and others larger arrangements according to skill and preferences. **Please email Carolyn McBride** if interested - carolynmcbride11@gmail.com

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. **The next date is February 26th**.

CONFIRMATION IN 2026 – I am shortly looking to publish details to start the preparation of eligible young people for the sacrament of Confirmation. The anticipated date for Confirmation is Tuesday 24th November, 2026. To be eligible you will need to be at least 14 years old by that date. At this stage I am planning for classes to be the 1st and 2nd Thursdays of the month. Start date TBC.

Attendance	Collections	Envelopes	Standing Orders	Total	2 nd Collection Survive Miva
253	£ 535.99	£ 78.00	£ -	£ 613.00	£ 550.99