



Worksop Priory
of Our Lady & St Cuthbert



FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Sunday 8 February 2026

Keep your family safe, O Lord, with unfailing care,
that, relying solely on the hope of heavenly grace,
they may be defended always by your protection.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.



Background to the Gospel

Following upon the teaching of the Beatitudes, Jesus uses the now familiar metaphors of salt and light to describe the life of discipleship. We take salt and light for granted in our society, but these commodities were more precious in ancient cultures. Just as now, salt was used in Jesus' time for flavouring, as a preservative, and as a healing agent. Similarly, the widespread use of electricity in the modern world makes us less aware of the value and importance of light in our lives.

Still, our familiarity with this passage from Matthew's Gospel speaks well to the abiding power of the imagery that Jesus presented. Jesus' call to be salt for the earth and light for the world powerfully states our mission as Church and as Christians. Our commitment to social justice flows from the exhortation that Jesus gives us in today's Gospel. Some of the activities that this commitment leads us to are given more concrete expression as the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. When we feed the hungry, clothe the naked, console those who mourn, and so on, we show ourselves to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. When we do these things with the community of faith, the Church, we are indeed acting as "a city set on a mountain" that cannot be hidden!



LOYOLA PRESS.

Please pray for

the peace of the world;

for people living in all those places where there is war or armed oppression of civilians, that their suffering may end;



for those living in places where there is the threat of conflict, that peace may prevail

for all in need;

our GP surgeries, hospice, hospital, and care homes;

the sick, especially;

Angela, Angela, Chris, Christine, Eric, Jan, Jon, Mary, Mick, Paul, Peter,
Richard, Richard Francis, Roxy, Tracey, Tuomas, and Violet.

for those who are unable to attend Mass;

Christine, Judith, Linda, Maureen, and Tony.

for those who have died recently.

Angela Mary Underwood, Barbara Trojanowicz,
Celia Hoult, Eileen Parker, Arthur Wilson
and Veronica Calladine



and for those whose anniversaries fall around this time.

8 Feb	Eddie Attenborough, Reg Stubbins
10 Feb	Wilfrid Smith, Thomas Blower, Robert Bryant, Florence Deakin, May Quartermaine
11 Feb	Harry Pearson, Dora Kirby, Barbara Morby, Beryl Ivy Hopewell
13 Feb	Margaret Richardson, Ruth Edith King, Irene Constance Davies, Lewis Burbidge, Arnold Keith Slaney, Betty Spicer
14 Feb	James Eric George Malkin, John William Kenneth Fisher

Services for the week ahead

Today	9.30am 11.30am	Parish Mass with Junior Church Mass at Clumber
Monday 9 February Feria	9.30pm	Mass
Tuesday 10 February St Scholastica	12 noon 6.30pm	Funeral of Angela Underwood Mass
Wednesday 11 February Feria	9.30am	Mass
Thursday 12 February Feria	11.30am 6.30pm	Funeral of Eileen Parker Mass
Friday 13 February Feria	12 noon	Mass
Saturday 14 February Ss Cyril & Methodius	9.30am	Mass
Sunday 15 February 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.30am	Parish Mass with Junior Church Mass at Clumber



Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment, or before Mass on Thursday Evening or Friday Lunchtime.

Please contact Fr Spicer for either prayer or practical need. If requested, we will come and visit if we can, and especially in extremis. If you go into hospital or a care home please give the staff our contact numbers so that we can visit.

**Live streaming through Worksop
Priory Facebook Page will take place whenever possible and technology permits.**



Other Activities . . .

Tuesday 10 February	2pm-3pm	St Paul's Community Pantry
Wednesday 11 February	10.15-11.15am 5pm-6pm	Songs & Stories St Paul's Community Pantry
Friday 13 February	10.30-11.30pm	Public Hour

Public Hour

For booking Baptisms and Weddings and any general queries regarding Priory.





2026

Lent this year begins with Ash Wednesday on 18th February. There will be Mass with blessing and distribution of ashes at 9.30am and 6.30pm so please make every effort to attend one of these.

Please too begin to think how you are going to keep this season in a way which deepens your discipleship.

- Collecting boxes are available for the money you save by abstaining from something and your times of fasting. Everyone who is fit and able is encouraged to forgo a meal on Ash Wednesday and the Lenten Fridays.
- Can you stay for a half hour learning session after Mass on a Sunday or Wednesday?
- Is attending one of the weekday Masses and or Stations of the Cross 6.30- 7.15pm on a Friday a possibility?
- Is celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation something you should consider or do again?

Lent is to be a joyful time deepening our faith with our brothers and sisters.

Please prayerfully think how you are going to keep it.

February Prayer & Bible Reflection

A Prayer for Love and Relationships

Dear Lord, as February is often associated with love, I pray for a deeper understanding of Your divine love in my life. May Your love be the foundation of all my relationships and may it guide me in my interactions with others. I pray for my family, friends, and those who are dear to me. Strengthen our bonds, heal any wounds, and allow us to grow closer to one another. May our love for one another be a reflection of Your love for us.

1 John 4:7-8

Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God.

Romans 12:10

Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honour.

A Prayer for Growth and Spiritual Renewal

Holy Spirit, I invite You to work in me this month, leading me into deeper fellowship with the Father and the Son. May this February be a time of spiritual renewal, growth, and transformation.

I pray for a hunger and thirst for Your Word, an openness to Your guidance, and a willingness to step out in faith. Create in me a clean heart, renew my mind, and let my life be a living testimony of Your grace.

Psalm 51:10

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

Source: www.Christiansstt.com

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Many thanks to Greta for offering to host an **Afternoon Tea** on **Saturday 23 May** between 1pm and 3pm to help raise funds for church. Please save the date!



If you are able to host a coffee morning or have any other ideas that could help raise funds please speak to a member of the clergy or contact Susan on admin@worksoppriory.co.uk or call 07355 850735.

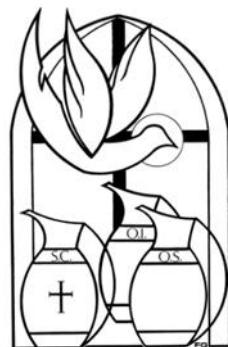
Chrism Mass

Monday 30 March at 12noon in church.

Please join us as we welcome Bishop Stephen to our parish.

What it is: A special Mass where the Bishop blesses the Oil of Catechumens (for baptism), the Oil of the Sick (for anointing), and consecrates the Holy Chrism (for baptism, confirmation, and ordination).

Why it's important: It symbolizes the unity of the diocesan priesthood with their bishop and the entire Church, with priests renewing their promises of service.



LETTING OUR COMMUNITY KNOW WE ARE HERE!

Saturday 7 February at 10am

Please do let us know if you are able to assist with leafleting roads in the parish.

The next leaflet will be ready to be delivered on the morning of **Saturday 7 February**, meeting at church at **10am** to then leaflet along Cheapside and the High Hoe Road area.

Please let a member of clergy know if you are able to join us. If you can't make 10am please call **Fr Spicer** to arrange to meet along the route (**07748 653640**).

If you would like to help, but at a different time, please let us know so we can get some leaflets and locations to you.



This is such an important part of our ministry, thanks to all who have helped deliver our message to date.

Please get in touch if you feel able to help
admin@worksoppriory.co.uk or
07355 850735).

BAPTISM BOOKINGS AT PRIORY



Are you, or someone you know, wanting to have either a child or yourself baptised in Priory Church? Baptism Services generally take place during the first weekend of each month. Either at 4pm on Saturdays or 11am on Sundays.

Bookings are taken during the public hour in church on Fridays 10.30am to 11.30am when availability can be confirmed by Susan (Parish Administrator). For more information email admin@worksoppriory.co.uk or call 07355 850735.

The Sacraments of Healing



Please contact Fr Spicer for either prayer or practical need. If requested, we will come and visit, if we can, and especially in extremis. If you go into hospital or a care home please give the staff our contact numbers so that we can visit.

vicar@worksoppriory.co.uk

01909 472180

07748 653640

Our Giving

Bank details for standing orders or donations are:

Worksop Priory PCC:

Virgin Money Sort Code: 05-09-89 Account Number: 38125853

Due to bank charges for processing cheques and cash, we kindly ask that, wherever possible, people donate money using online banking, even for small amounts. This doesn't cost us a penny. Please indicate in the reference field who it's from, and what for, then we can Gift Aid your donation wherever possible.

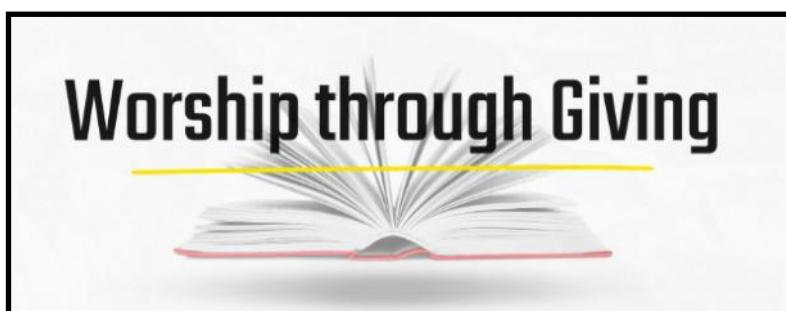
For convenience there is also a card machine in the Priory which can be used for donations or regular payments.



You can also donate to Priory quickly and easily by scanning our QR code, where there is an option to register to gift aid your donation, it takes a matter of seconds!

If you wish to continue to put cash in the collection plate each week, gift aid envelopes are only required for amounts over £30.

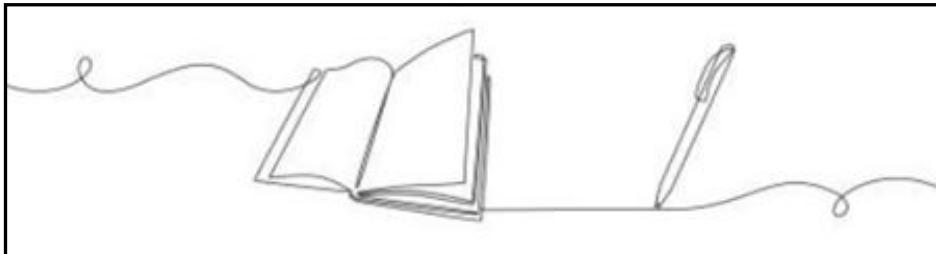
We are deeply grateful for all your continued financial support.



WORKSOP PRIORY BOOK OF

REMEMBRANCE

If you would like a loved ones' name to be recorded in the Worksop Priory Book of Remembrance, please complete and return a form (available at the back of church). There is a £10 fee toward the cost of the calligraphy.



100 CLUB

The weekly draw now takes place on Friday mornings during the public hour with winners announced one week later in the mass booklet/newsletter.

We would like to inform winners straight away if they have won, but we need your permission to contact you, and also check any details we do have are up to date. With this in mind if you are a member of the 100 Club, could you either email or call Susan to confirm your contact details and consent for Priory to store them.



Thanks to recent new subscribers we only have 10 numbers available;

29,32,34,59,62,63,74,80,82,96

The subscription is £1 per week per number.

Contact Susan for more details:

admin@worksoppriory.co.uk

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Radiant Life Day Centre CIC is a community-based service established to support older adults, adults with learning disabilities/difficulties, basic additional support needs, and individuals with mild mental health challenges.

Our aim is to provide a safe, supportive, and stimulating environment where older adults could feel less isolated, individuals can build confidence, develop life social skills, enhance their wellbeing, enjoy meaningful social gathering and fulfilling lives. We are committed to promoting independence, inclusion, diversity and dignity through person-centred and community-focused activities.



RADIANT LIFE
DAY CENTRE

Where Inspiration Meets Care

Our programmes awaken memory, stir joy, and calm the soul:

⌚ Art & Creative Expression
Colours that heal. Shapes that tell stories.
We paint lives back into motion.

🎵 Music & Rhythm Therapy
Familiar songs like lanterns
guiding forgotten emotions home.

🧠 Cognitive Stimulation
Puzzles, storytelling, guided conversations—
gentle exercises for the mind's awakening.

🤝 Companionship Circles
Because a hand to hold
is sometimes the deepest medicine.

👣 Nature & Movement Walks
Soft breezes. Slow steps.
Moments shaped with tenderness.

♥️ Affection-Centred Support
Every interaction infused with love,
every gesture crafted with patience.

Why Families Trust Us

You Are Not Alone.
Let Us Walk This
Journey With You.

Choosing care is never easy—but at Radiant Life, you'll find a dedicated team committed to:

- Safety
- Professional support
- Emotional wellbeing
- Tailored engagement
- Genuine compassion

Your loved one receives more than care—they receive connection, warmth, and community.



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Worksop S80 2UH

Phone: 07770222509

Email:

contact@radiantlifedaycentre.co.uk

Website:

www.radiantlifedaycentre.co.uk





ALL PROCEEDS TO THE UPKEEP OF PRIORY

Set of 24 classical CDs. Each CD is set in a booklet filled with information about the music included.



Two bowls of the same pattern, one round, one leaf shaped. Need a clean but otherwise in good condition.



Two small bud vases,
matching design of
Worksop Priory, slight
difference in sizes.
Made in Worksop.



**Interested? To make an offer or for more details
please contact: admin@worksoppriory.co.uk /
07355 850735**

Two framed drawings of landmarks in Beverley, East Yorkshire.

The Market & The Minster.

All proceeds to the upkeep of Worksop Priory.



Watercolour paintings of Worksop Priory in cardboard mounts. Two looking towards the East End (Altar).

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WINNER

C L U B

Friday 30 January Draw Winners

£20	37	Mrs M. Dickinson
£10	23	Mrs C. Palin
£5	89	Mr R. Towle
£5	95	Mrs J. Wells

Available Numbers: 29,32,34,59,62,63,74,80,82,96

In addition to the weekly draws there are two £100 draws and an annual £500 draw. Each number is £1 per week.

If you would like to be in it to win it, contact Susan Bekisz who will be happy to help you.

admin@worksoppriory.co.uk or 07355 850735

Subscription Information:

To make this enterprise simpler to manage we please ask that subscriptions be paid by bank transfer if possible and referenced '100 CLUB'. Cash payments should be in an envelope clearly marked '100 CLUB' with your **NAME** and **NUMBER**. Each number is £1 per week. Envelopes can be placed in the collection plate or passed to a member of the clergy, Keith Wake or Susan.

Please consider doing your online shopping through the easyfundraising website or app. Currently if you join and shop with eBay by 30 September, Worksop Priory will be entered into the draw to receive one of TEN £500 micro grants. Plus, whenever you buy from eBay or any other participating retailer, Worksop Priory receives a small percentage of the spend as a donation at no extra cost.

All those donations soon add up!

Raise funds for us for FREE

with  easyfundraising



Join as our supporter today at:

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause

Just search for:

WORKSOP PRIORY

8,000+ retailers will donate to us whenever you shop with them



Start at the easyfundraising website or app

Click out to where you'd like to shop



Checkout: prices are exactly the same!

The retailer sends a % of your spend to easyfundraising



They pass it on to us :)

Plus, you'll get...



Exclusive retailer offers



Competitions



A warm feeling inside!

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£60m
raised for UK good causes

£0
extra cost to anyone



Community Pantry



Everyone Welcome
£5 per bag
Cash Only

Come and visit our
second hand com-
munity shop.
Items from 10p.
All clothes £1 per
item

Tuesday : 2 to 3 pm

Wednesday: 5 to 6pm

Join us on Tuesdays from 12pm for
communita, have a cuppa, biscuit and a chat
St Paul's Church Hall, Pelham Street



Bassetlaw Food Bank



There are collection boxes at the back of Priory Church

Regular financial donations make a huge difference! 🍎

As grants and funding get harder to come by, knowing we have regular donations in means we know we can continue to support households in crisis in Bassetlaw.

You can set up regular or one off donation here:

http://bit.ly/donate_to_BFB



Worksop Priory C of E Primary Academy



Welcome to Priory Nursery and Reception



Our Nursery Times are:

Morning – 8:30am to 11:30am

Afternoon – 12:30am to 3:30pm



We are also able to offer 30 hrs by application

We offer some fun groups to attend *with your little one*, either before your child starts with us or once they are at Nursery.

Playgroup @ Priory Nursery

Activities, dancing, stories and rhymes for the under 5's. Every Monday 1.15 – 2.15pm.

Family Fitness

Action activities with stories and rhymes for the under 5's. Tuesday 3.30-4:15pm. Runs for six weeks each term, please contact the office for dates.

Wiggly Worship at Priory Church

For the under 5's (pram service), every Wednesday 10.15-11.15am.



We look forward to seeing you!

Contact the Academy Office on 01909 478886

Or email office@worksoppriory.snmats.org.uk



SONGS AND STORIES FOR BABIES, TODDLERS & PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN

Every Wednesday 10.15am-11.15am in church.

All parents, carers, grandparents and childminders are welcome to bring children to join in these friendly and fun sessions.

Most weeks we are also joined by a small group of nursery children & staff from Priory School who bring a craft activity along.

Please spread the word amongst your family and friends. Also, if you can help our lovely volunteers with helping set up, run or clear up afterwards we would love to hear from you.

If you would like more details about the group or about helping about, please contact us.

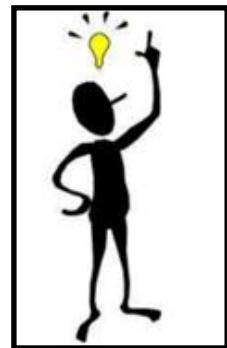
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FUNDRAISING FOR PRIORY

Are you able to host a fundraising event to help boost church funds? For example, a coffee morning, raffle, sponsored activity? Does your employer offer matched giving to charities? Please contact Susan with any ideas of events you would like to see happen and help plan – admin@worksoppriory.co.uk or



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What to do if you have a Safeguarding concern about someone at Worksop Priory

A safeguarding concern may relate to the welfare of someone, or care (or lack of) being provided. Also, you may need to talk to someone about something in our church that isn't right or has upset you.

Urgent concerns

If you believe someone is at immediate risk of being harmed you must contact either the Police or Social Services directly:

Police 999

Nottinghamshire Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) 0300 500 8090/0300 456 4546

Non-urgent concerns

If the concern is not urgent or an emergency, Worksop Priory has a **Parish Safeguarding Officer – Susan Bekisz** who manages safeguarding issues at church. She can be contacted on safeguarding@worksoppriory.co.uk

In the first instance it is useful to know the outline of the concern. Whilst the email address is confidential, we understand that you may not wish to disclose names of those involved in this way. It is likely that the Safeguarding Officer would then phone you so please leave a contact number and time of day that is most appropriate to call. If you prefer to liaise by email, please make that clear too.

If you are unable to email you can call **07355 850735**. This phone cannot always be answered immediately, but you can leave a message.

We will endeavour to respond within 48 hours.

There may be occasions when our Safeguarding Officer is not available.

If we have not responded within 36 hours after you have raised a concern, consider the following options to get advice:

Fr Spicer 01909 472180 or 07748 653640

Diocesan Safeguarding Team 01636 817200

We would stress that if you are concerned an issue requires urgent action, you should contact the police or social services directly using the phone numbers above.

PLEASE BE MINDFUL...

You may well have heard that recently there have been some thefts of personal possessions left unattended in church.

Please, be aware, keep your bags closed and, along with other valuables, about your person always. We hope this will reduce any further opportunistic thefts.



Email:

vicar@worksoppriory.co.uk

warden@worksoppriory.co.uk

admin@worksoppriory.co.uk

Web:

worksoppriory.co.uk

achurchnearyou.com/st-mary-st-cuthbert-worksop-priory

Safeguarding matters please contact:

Parish Safeguarding Officer:

safeguarding@worksoppriory.co.uk 07355 850735

Diocesan Safeguarding Team:

safeguarding@southwell.anglican.org 01636 817200

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