

Sunday 7 September 2025

Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Cycle C

Welcome to today's Parish Mass. A loop system is fitted here for those with hearing devices. A collection will be taken at the Offertory, or if you prefer, a contactless machine is available by the South Porch Door.

Please respect others by not talking now, simply prepare quietly by reading this booklet or today's hymns. You may like to recite this 4th Century prayer of preparation.

Lord Almighty, send down upon this sacrifice your Holy Spirit. May he declare this bread that we shall eat to be the body of Christ, and this cup that we shall drink to be the blood of Christ. May he strengthen and sanctify us who eat this bread and drink this cup, grant forgiveness of our sins and deliver us from the wiles of the devil. May he fill us with his presence to make us worthy of Christ, your Son, and obtain for us eternal life. Amen.

Please stand when the bell rings and join in with the parts in bold.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** The Lord be with you. **And with your Spirit.**

The priest introduces the Mass

Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Lord, have mercy. Lord have mercy.

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ With the Holy Spirit In the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Let us pray.

O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption, look graciously upon your beloved sons and daughters, that those who believe in Christ may receive true freedom and an everlasting inheritance.

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. **Amen.**

Please be seated

What human being can learn the counsel of God? Or who can discern what the Lord wills? For the reasoning of mortals is worthless, and our designs are likely to fail, for a perishable body weighs down the soul, and this earthy tent burdens the mind full of thoughts. We can hardly guess at what is on earth, and what is at hand we find with labour; but who has traced out what is in the heavens? Who has learned your counsel, unless you have given wisdom and sent your holy spirit from on high? And thus the paths of those on earth were set right, and people were taught what pleases you.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

90(89):3-4. 5-6. 12-13. 14, 17. 1.

O Lord, you have been our refuge, from generation to generation.

You turn man back to dust, and say, 'Return, O children of Adam.' To your eyes a thousand years are like yesterday, come and gone, or like a watch in the night.

O Lord, you have been our refuge, from generation to generation.

You sweep them away like a dream, like grass which is fresh in the morning. In the morning it sprouts and is fresh; by evening it withers and fades.

O Lord, you have been our refuge, from generation to generation.

Then teach us to number our days, that we may gain wisdom of heart. Turn back, O LORD! How long?

Show pity to your servants.

O Lord, you have been our refuge, from generation to generation.

At dawn, fill us with your merciful love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Let the favour of the LORD our God be upon us; give success to the work of our hands.
O give success to the work of our hands.
O Lord, you have been our refuge, from generation to generation.

A reading from the letter of St Paul to Philemon

9b-10, 12-17

Beloved: I, Paul, an old man and now a prisoner also for Christ Jesus — I appeal to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I became in my imprisonment. I am sending him back to you, sending my very heart. I would have been glad to keep him with me, in order that he might serve me on your behalf during my imprisonment for the gospel, but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your goodness might not be by compulsion but of your own accord. For this perhaps is why he was parted from you for a while, that you might have him back for ever, no longer as a bondservant but more than a bondservant, as a beloved brother — especially to me, but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would receive me.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Let your face shine forth on your servant, and teach me your decrees. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

At that time: Great crowds accompanied Jesus, and he turned and said to them, 'If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother, and wife and children, and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, saying, "This man began to build and was not able to finish." Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Please be seated

Homily - Fr Spicer



After a time of reflection please stand when the priest stands.

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man', all bow.

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,

and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Bidding Prayers with the response after each intention:

Lord, hear us, Lord graciously hear us.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord And let light perpetual shine upon them. **May they rest in peace. Amen.**



Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen



After a brief silence the Priest concludes the prayers. Please then be seated for the Offertory, during which a collection will be taken for God's work here-thank you. The bread, wine, altar, cross, priest and people are censed. Please stand when the thurifer approaches.

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

O God, who give us the gift of true prayer and of peace, graciously grant that through this offering, we may do fitting homage to your divine majesty and, by partaking of the sacred mystery, we may be faithfully united in mind and heart. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And with your Spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right and just.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Christ our Lord. For through his Paschal Mystery, he accomplished the marvellous deed, by which he has freed us from the yoke of sin and death, summoning us to the glory of being now called a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for your own possession, to proclaim everywhere your mighty works, for you have called us out of darkness into your own wonderful light.

And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of your glory, as without end we acclaim:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Please kneel

The Priest continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

After the words of the Consecration:

The mystery of faith.

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again

The prayer concludes with:

Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please stand

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever.

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles:
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,
look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church,
and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will.
Who live and reign for ever and ever. **Amen**

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And with your spirit.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All offer one another the sign of peace

Please kneel

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Communion Antiphon
Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

Please come forward now to one of the three Holy Communion stations. If you are used to receiving Holy Communion, then share with us, otherwise bow your head for a blessing.

The Body (Blood) of Christ. Amen.

Please stand when the priest stands

Let us pray.

Grant that your faithful, O Lord, whom you nourish and endow with life through the food of your Word and heavenly Sacrament, may so benefit from your beloved Son's great gifts that we may merit an eternal share in his life. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.



Bow down for the blessing

Graciously enlighten your family, O Lord, we pray, that by holding fast to what is pleasing to you, they may be worthy to accomplish all that is good, through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

The Mass is ended. Go in peace.

Thanks be to God.

Hail, our Queen and Mother blest! Joy when all was sadness, Life and hope you brought to birth, Mother of our gladness!

Pray for us, O Patroness, be our consolation! Lead us home to see your Son, Jesus, our salvation!



You may like to recite this 4th Century prayer of thanksgiving.

Father, we thank you for your holy name which you have made to dwell in our hearts and for the knowledge, faith and immortality which you have made known to us through your servant Jesus. To you be glory for ever.

Amen

Please take this booklet home with you for the coming week's notices.



Please pray for

Those being baptised today; Brynley West, Bodhi-Jai Baker and Ella Hands



Robert Brion Garnett to be ordained Deacon here today;

For peace especially in the DR Congo, the Holy Land, Lebanon, Ukraine, South Sudan, Sudan, Yemen and Syria; for all who suffer hunger;

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

the sick, especially,

Bev, Chris, Christine, Eric, Jan, Jon, Keith, Linda, Mick, Paul, Richard, Tuomas, Violet and Wendy

for those who are unable to attend Mass,

Anne, Christine, Hazel, June, and Judith

and for those who have died recently.

Helen Unguru

for those whose anniversaries fall around this time.

7 Sep	Alwyn Wilson, Bert William Quartermaine, Alfred Hugh
	Mawson
8 Sep	Norah Dickinson, Marion Bradford
9 Sep	Nigel Rochester, Andrew Maddick, Violet Bingham, Charles
	Lowder (priest), Thomas Henry Gunn, Alan Keywood
10 Sep	William Brunt
13 Sep	George Raymond James



Services for the week ahead					
Today	9.30am	Mass at Priory			
,	11.15am	Mass at St Paul's			
	11.00am	Baptism at Priory			
	11.45am	Baptism at Priory			
	12.15pm	Baptism at Priory			
	6.30pm	Ordination of Robert Garnett to the			
		Diaconate with Bishop Stephen			
Monday 8	9.30am	Mass at Priory			
September					
Birthday of the					
Blessed Virgin Mary					
Tuesday 9	9.30am	Mass at St Paul's			
September					
Feria					
Wednesday 10	9.30am	Mass at Priory			
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Thursday 11	6.30pm	Mass at Priory			
September					
Feria					
Friday 12 September	12.00pm	Mass at Priory			
Feria					
Saturday 13	9.30am	Mass at Priory			
September					
St John Chrysostom					
Next Sunday	9.30am	Mass at Priory with Junior Church			
Exultation of the	11.15am	Mass at St Paul's with Junior Church			
Holy Cross	11.30am	Mass at Clumber			



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

GIVING as an act of worship BEFORE GOD

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

2 CORINTHIANS 9:6-15

Our Virgin Money bank details for standing orders or donations are:

Worksop Priory PCC

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

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

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

donation wherever possible.

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



Your continued financial support is greatly appreciated.



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

Other Activities					
Tuesday 9	10am	Coffee Morning at St Paul's			
September	10am	Public Hour at St Paul's			
	1-2pm	CommuniTea at St Paul's			
	2-3pm	Community Pantry at St Paul's			
Wednesday 10	10.15am	Songs and Stories at Priory			
September	6 -7pm	Community Pantry at St Paul's			
Thursday 11	12noon	Midday Music at Priory			
September					
Friday 12	10.30am	Public Hour at Priory			
September					
Saturday 13	10am – 4pm	Priory Church and Gatehouse			
September		Open Day			



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.

Bassetlaw Food Bank



There are collection boxes at the back of both Priory and St Paul's churches.



St Paul's Community Pantry



Opening Hours: Tuesdays 2pm -3pm Wednesdays 6pm -7pm All are welcome, no referral necessary!



£5 buys a mixed bag of produce, fresh and frozen and ambient products depending on availability.



WORKSOP PRIORY & GATEHOUSE OPEN DAY SATURDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2025

We are expecting a good number of visitors for this years National Heritage Open Day with the Church and Gatehouse open 10am to 4pm. Volunteers are needed as welcomers (church & Gatehouse Chapel) and to serve refreshments (with donations of cakes/buns/scones etc). Donations also required for a tombola, book stall and bric-a-brac. If you are able to run a stall to raise funds for church please let Susan know. Please sign the list in church to indicate the hours you can volunteer for. **Thank you!**



At 6.30pm today 7th September Bishop Stephen will be here to ordain Robert Garnett to the Diaconate. Living in Conrad Close, Robert is the new Full Time Curate for the Priory Parish.

Please make every effort to be at this exciting occasion.

If you would like to be part of a "welcome to Worksop pack" please leave your donation in the box in the Churchwarden's pew. Anything that you think a new homeowner might need or want, gratefully received. Thank you!

Do you have a Safeguarding concern about someone at 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. She can be contacted on safeguarding@worksoppriory.co.uk or 07355 850735. This phone cannot always be answered immediately, but you can leave a message. We will endeavour to respond within 48 hours. If we have not responded within 48 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.

MIDDAY MUSIC AT WORKSOP PRIORY September & October 2025

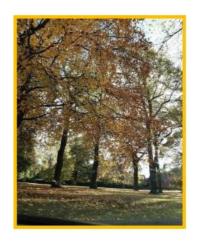
THURDAYS AT 12 NOON

for half an hour

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Free entry; hot drinks; optional collection for concert expenses.

Level access; parking; toilets.



hosemary rieta - Director of Music, Worksop	
presents music in context for St. Cuthbert's day	
Tim Selman, Organ - Organ Scholar, Lincoln	
A mixed programme suited to the Collins organ	
Laurena Kumar-Lee, Soprano - Gap year student, Worksop	
Varied repertoire from this school-leaver soprano	
Chapel Hill Duo, Violin and Cello – Chapel Hill, Ropsley	
Jazz, film, popular and classical arrangements	
Thomas Keough, Organ – Leicester	
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Mosaic Recorder Quintet	
Simeon Walker - Piano, style-tribute-composer	
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Rosemary Field - Director of Music, Workson

Congratulations!

Wednesday 3rd September 2025



Winners to be announced next week!

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, lvy Underwood, Keith Wake or Susan Bekisz.

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