

THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH

South Leicestershire

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NEWSLETTER 30 - 31 May 2026 – THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

ONE PARISH: One Newsletter for two churches. May we be united in supporting each other whenever we can, in the years that lie ahead and receive many blessings in uniting together in prayer and good works.

FOR THE DECEASED: Please pray for those who have died recently and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time, and, for all Holy Souls who have no one to pray for them. May they rest in eternal peace and rise in glory.

MARY'S MONTH: May is a month dedicated to Our Lady and in all her Apparitions she pleaded with us to say the Rosary daily. There is an opportunity for us all to join in this wonderful prayer before Masses. Could **you** make the effort to arrive 30 minutes before Mass to join in?



COUNTERS WANTED AT NARBOROUGH AND AT LUTTERWORTH: There is an urgent need for counters to count the collections from the Masses on Saturday and Sunday after Mass on Sunday mornings (between 10.30 to 11am at Narborough) and (12.15 to 13.00 at Lutterworth). Please give this some serious thought as to whether you could spare some of your time. If we can get enough volunteers to go onto the counting rotas, you will only be needed every five or six weeks. Please speak to Fr. Joel, or Alison at Narborough, or Nora at Lutterworth. Thank you to those who have recently volunteered – we need many more please!

THE ANGELUS: The Reader for the day's Mass will lead the Angelus (from their place in the benches), when the bell is rung for the Priest to come to the altar, and before the first hymn is sung. **Cards are available on all benches for your use.**

LECTIO DIVINA: Study of St. John's Gospel. The next meeting will be at Narborough, on Wednesday 17th June, commencing with Mass at 6.30pm, followed by Bible study at 7.00pm. Everyone is welcome to join.

REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASSES, LUTTERWORTH: on Thursdays and Sundays Everyone is welcome to join.

SCRABBLE AT LUTTERWORTH: The Scrabble Group meet on Tuesdays. All enquiries to Jo on 07471 032396. All are welcome.

SVP/FOOD BANK: Please leave the donated food at the back of the Church at St. Pius X. Thank you for your support.

LUTTERWORTH FOODBANK: The next Foodbank collection will take place on **16th June 2026**.

LIFE CHARITY, NARBOROUGH: Please donate articles of clothing, bric-a-brac, toys, electrical goods and household items at the back of the church. Thank you for your support. **If you have things to donate, please let us know** and arrangements can be made for collection from **Lutterworth**.

CURRY NIGHT AT ST. PIUS X: Everyone is invited to a Fundraising Curry Night at 6.30pm on Saturday 20th June Proceeds to Lourdes Hosanna House & Children's Pilgrimage Trust (HCPT) and Parish funds.

PARISH YOUTH CLUB: Plans are underway to establish a Parish Youth Club. Please help inform our young people of this development. The aim of the Club is to be both a Spiritual and Social Endeavour. Watch out for further details in a subsequent bulletin.

READINGS TODAY: The revelation of the Trinitarian mystery stands out in the texts the liturgy offers us. The passage from Exodus reveals the unity of God and the Father's heart "of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in kindness and faithfulness." In supplication of Moses: "Let my Lord come with us," we can glimpse a first step toward the incarnation and revelation of the Son, "Emanuel," God with us. This mystery of the incarnation is solemnly

revealed in the Gospel: “God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son.” At the end of the Second Letter to the Corinthians, Paul takes up a Trinitarian formula of the early Christian liturgy: “the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all” (DICASTERY FOR THE CLERGY, 1999).

THE HOLY FATHER'S 1ST ENCYCLICAL - MAGNIFICA HUMANITAS IN BRIEF

In the time of Artificial Intelligence, humanity is faced with a choice. Whether to let itself be guided by technology and progress as the only principles on which to build our civilization, or should it put at the centre the **dignity of the person**, reducing technical progress to an instrument. To explain this, Pope Leo uses two biblical images, one the construction of the Tower of Babel and the other the reconstruction of Jerusalem.

Choosing the “right” road requires a **DYNAMIC APPROACH** (chapter 1), which looks to the Social Doctrine of the Church following the teachings of the Second Vatican Council: listening to, discerning, and interpreting our times in light of the Gospel, in order to be able to return to humanity the revealed truth, while using the terms of the present.

To better read the *res novae* of our time in function of the dignity of the person, the **FOUNDATIONS AND PRINCIPLES OF THE SOCIAL DOCTRINE OF THE CHURCH** come to help us (chapter 2). The foundations regard the human being, the image of the Triune God, and, as such, the bearer of inviolable rights and an intrinsic dignity, without distinctions. The principles are those of the common good, the universal destination of goods, subsidiarity and solidarity, as well as social justice, which, when placed at the cornerstone of social relations, lead to what Paul VI was the first to summarize in the concept of **integral human development**.

And so we arrive at the fulcrum of the theme, that is, **the relationship between technology, power, and the human person** (chapter 3). While Pope Leo recognizes the value of technological development as an expression of human creativity, he warns of the risk of it becoming the absolute criterion of judgment. Artificial intelligence, lacking experiences, values, and feelings, cannot and should not assume a role of responsibility and supremacy over human intelligence.

To escape this danger, **SAFEGUARDING HUMANITY IN THE TRANSFORMATION** is therefore necessary (chapter 4). The first area to attend to is that of **truth**: in an era in which everything can be manipulated, it is necessary to preserve a critical education that permits distinguishing what is true from what is false. The second is **work**: when the dominant criterion becomes efficiency, work risks losing its human and relational value. The third area is that of **freedom**: menaced by digital dependence that collects massive amounts of data, the defence of liberty requires just rules, shared responsibility, and education. To preserve the conditions of an authentically human life, capable of truth, dignified work, and true liberty, a choral effort is necessary.

At this point in the Encyclical Letter, Pope Leo recalls that Artificial Intelligence has effects, often dramatic, also on war. The technological innovations are not limited to making means of defence more efficient, but risk automating and impersonalizing choices that involve life and death, which ought to require ethics and moral responsibility.

This is **THE CULTURE OF POWER**, which is opposed to **THE CIVILIZATION OF LOVE** (chapter 5). Faced with a tendency to prioritize the effectiveness of means over moral judgment and military outcomes over the protection of human life, the only prospect of salvation is a civilization founded on **justice, brotherhood, and dialogue**. In the civilization of love, we can all do our part, beginning with the disarming of our words, practicing justice, assuming the perspective of victims, cultivating dialogue, without taking refuge in idealism, but trusting in a healthy realism.

All these good practices find their vital force in **prayer**.

The concluding chapter lingers on the **spiritual and theological** dimension. Throughout history, the mercy of God has put at the centre the mystery of the Incarnation. God became human and taught us true humanity, and a preferential attention for the least. It is in this that the **greatness of the human being** resides, not in technical power, but rather in freedom, love, and grace. In an epoch that generates exclusion, we are called, as brothers and sisters united in **“one body in Christ,”** to safeguard links, in particular through solidarity and the care of the weakest.

Safeguarding the human in the time of Artificial Intelligence is, therefore, a common and shared responsibility. The initial image returns of the opposition between the Tower of Babel and the Holy City: which do we want to contribute to building? If we become “wise architects” and builders faithful to the truth, who safeguard relationships and invest in education, lovers of justice and peace, humanity will not lose its proper **magnificence**. It is important, therefore, not to remain resigned spectators, but rather **weavers of hope**, with the same faith of Mary, who, in her humility, under foreign domination and with a humiliated and divided people, was able to see the invisible and salvific work of God.

SPUC: The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children will be holding a **Tiny Feet Coffee and Cake Sale**, with a Celebration of Life Exhibition, in Our Lady of Victories Catholic Church, 1 Fairfield Road, Market Harborough, LE16 9QQ, on **Saturday 4th July**, from 10.00am until 4.00pm. All are very welcome.

Fr Joel Nwalozie, Fr. Jim Cahill & Parishioners extend a warm welcome to new Parishioners & all visitors. Deadline for items for the Newsletter to Fr. Joel: info@holynamesofjesussouthleics.uk or: johnston.nora@gmail.com (Company Number 7151646. Charity No. 1124449) Diocese of Nottingham: St. Hugh's House, 1, Castle Quay, Nottingham NG7 1FW

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The Angelus is recited before Masses

WEEKEND & WEEKDAY MASSES

Our Lady of Victories & St. Alphonsus, Lutterworth

Sat.	30 th May	6.00pm	Rosary 5.30
Sun.	31 st May	11.15am	Rosary 10.45
Tues	2 nd June	10.30am	Adoration 9.30 Rosary 10.05
Thurs	4 th June	10.30am	
Sat.	6 th June	6.00pm	Rosary 5.30
Sun.	7 th June	11.15am	Rosary 10.45

Mass Intentions

Catherine May Burns-Sweeney (Anniv)

Fr. Thomas Delaney (Anniv.)

Welfare of Damian Shearer & Family

Lutterworth: Tues. 9.30 – 10.30 **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & Rosary**

WEEKLY CONFESSIONS - Sat. 5.30pm – 5.55pm before evening Mass

St. Pius X, Narborough

Sat.	30 th May	4.00pm	Rosary 3.30pm
Sun	31 st May	9.30am	Rosary 9.00am
Mon.	1 st June	10.00am	Adoration 9.00 Rosary 9.30am
Sat	6 th June	4.00pm	Rosary 3.30pm
Sun	7 th June	9.30am	Rosary 9.00am

Mass Intentions

Roger Willers (RIP)

Rita Coates Birthday Thanksgiving.

Narborough: Mon. 9.00 – 10.00am **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & Rosary.**

WEEKLY CONFESSIONS Sat. 3.30pm – 3.55pm and before and after Masses