

Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford Parish & Diocesan Shrine St Mary & St Thomas More, Cannock



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The Parish Offices are open Monday & Wednesday 9 am – 1 pm

A more detailed parish directory and guide to activities is here: bit.ly/M-Directory



Sunday 16th August 2026 – Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Calendar of Masses (H = Hednesford C = Cannock) Full calendar: bit.ly/M-Masscalendar

Sat	15 Aug	12 pm	H	Int: Michael Cotterell	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Blue (C) = Car Park
Sat	15 Aug	5pm	C	RIP Departed Members of the Costello family	
Sun	16 Aug	9.30am	H	RIP Derek Barker	
Sun	16 Aug	11am	C	RIP Simfrosa Arquiza (bday)	
Mon	17 Aug	9.30am	C	<i>No Mass on Monday during August</i>	Week 20
Wed	19 Aug	9.30am	C	RIP Agnes & Patrick Brown	Week 20
Thu	20 Aug	9.30am	H	RIP June & Gordon Weatherby	St Bernard
Fri	21 Aug	9.30am	C	Remembering Golden Wedding Anniversary Ray & Ruth Wright	Pope Pius X
Sat	22 Aug	12 pm	H	RIP Mary Wale	Twenty first Sunday Blue (C) = Car Park
Sat	22 Aug	5pm	C	RIP Neil Wilkinson	
Sun	23 Aug	9.30am	H	RIP John Tyrell	
Sun	23 Aug	11am	C	Intentions Angela Henvy	

Weekday Mass in Hednesford is in Church during the summer months.

Rosary: Mon, Wed, Fri (C) at 8:55am; **Divine Mercy:** Wed (C) after mass.

Confessions Saturday 11:15 – 11:45am (H) and 4:15pm – 4:45pm (C); and any mass on request to the priest.

Livestream Schedule and Recordings: stmcancock.org/stm-online - any problems, text 07766 335591

Digital Collection Plate: use the QR code displayed nearby if there is any difficulty with The Machine.

Fish and Chip Supper Saturday 12th September at 6.30 pm £12 per ticket to include food & games of Bingo in Community Centre (Club) at Cannock. Tickets now on sale

Mass Intentions: we prefer bit.ly/M-MassInt or Envelopes! Requests for masses by text, WhatsApp, email and even messages on the Dona system are all received, but online Intentions are most reliably made using the form at bit.ly/M-MassInt. The others may snooze in complex file systems till discovered by an intrepid explorer. Old fashioned envelopes work well too!

Growing in Faith Next: 27th August 7pm Our Lady's Presbytery. *Topic: tbc* from 23rd September Growing in Faith will meet on Wednesdays.

JOURNEY IN FAITH the course for those wishing to become Catholics, or who just wish to find out more about the Faith, begins Thursday September 24th 7pm in the Presbytery at Hednesford. Planned to end at 8:30pm (though sometimes a bit longer) Let us know if you will be joining us or just turn up.

August adjustments there will be no Monday Mass during August and the beginning of September.

There is no **Children's Liturgy** at Cannock during August.

Parish Secretary for Cannock: From this week, Steph Hewitt will take up the role of Parish Secretary for St Mary's, Cannock. Steph will gradually assume responsibility for the general non-financial administrative work at St Mary's, much of which has until now been undertaken (sort of) by Fr Peter. Her role will complement the highly valued work of Kully Wills, who oversees financial administration at Cannock. Anne Walker will continue her important work as Parish Secretary at Hednesford, and her role remains unchanged.

Forget Me Not Lunch Club (H) will start again from Wednesday 16 September

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Please Pray for ...

Prayers for adults and students moving on to new schools or colleges, new challenges or just for a quieter life: in particular pray for headteachers moving to new opportunities or challenges, and for those taking up other responsibilities: Mr Gilchrist (St Joseph's, Hednesford), Mrs Hewitt (St Thomas More), Mrs Gibson (Cardinal Griffin), & Mrs Walker (St Joseph & St Teresa, Burntwood)

All those suffering in the summer heat, including those in ill health and in danger from fire

Peace and Justice: in Gaza and the Middle East, Sudan, Ukraine and all places beset by war



All who are sick or other kinds of need: Don Taylor, Sandra Avery, Norma Ivens, Deborah S, Tommy Tait, Angela Higgs, Pat & Wilf Palmer, Janet Summers, Lee Summers, Emma O'Donnell, Robert, Shirley Weatherby, Nicola Avery, Paul Owens, Imogen O'Mahoney, Elvet Thomas, Lily Rose Blackwood (prem baby), Val B, Pat Seery, Maurice Hibberts, Steve Morris, Mary G, Mary Jevons, Allan Weatherby, Sue Wayman, Teresa Maloney, Diane Wyatt, James Hunt, Valerie Brace; Alan C, Alan White, Allison, Angela Freary, Anna Bayliss, Anthony, Baby Amelia, Bernard, Bernard Beeson, Bert Dodd, Bert Mears, Bill, Carol, Catherine Baker, Charley, Christopher Allan, Clare Murphy, David K, Deborah Woollaston, Den Owens, Dominic Mulchrone, Don Hinton, Eileen H, Emilia, Frank Heaton, Frank Taylor, Gerard, Gerry, Gladys Chmielewski, Greg, Hayden Turvey, Helen C, Henry, HR, Iris, Ivan Molyneaux, Jack Kennedy, Jane Morecroft, Jane Seal, Janet Barker, Jasper, Jean Nycz, Jerry, Joan O'Sullivan, John Dewhurst, Josephine Kafwembe, Josie Morris, Julie, June, Kath Poole, Kathleen Mongon, Kathy Dodd, Katie, Keith Davies, Kyriese, Layla, Maggie Dale, Margaret B, Margaret Phipps, Margaret Reynolds, Marie, Marion, Mark Duffy, Mary D, Mary Klek, Mary Philpott, Mary Turvey, Matt G, Matt Twohig, Maureen, Michael Liddy, Michael M, Mick Flynn, Nicola McCulloch, Oscar Wordsworth, Pat Lester, Pat W, Patricia, Patrick, Pauline March, Peer Mohammed, Peggy, Peter Dunton, Peter H, Peter Maciejewski, Peter Woollaston, Phyllis Michael, Rajinder, Rev Ned Kelly, Richard Sharp, Robert, Russell Mackuin, Sue Atkinson, Sue Green, Sue Titley, Sylvia Hale, Tess Dudley, Tim Wright, Tom Poxon, Vincent Dockery, Zorah McQuillan

Send names to add or remove to stmary-sttm.cannock@rcaob.org.uk or olol.hednesford@rcaob.org.uk Permission of the sick person is required.

The Holy Souls

Recently departed: Bev Hackett, Peter Hawthorne (Requiem Mass on Thursday 27th August at 11am at Our Lady of Lourdes), Robert Boot (Funeral Service Friday 18th September 2026 Cannock Chase Crematorium)

Anniversaries

16/8 Ann Hender, John Ridgeway
17/8 Patrick Considine 1973, Derek Barker 2019
18/8 Richard Flynn 1978, Gladys Welch 1996, James Taylor 2001, Dennis Mackuin 2009, Sister M Kevin
19/8 JJ Conroy 1975, Mary McMullen 2005, Lydia Wain 2007, Joseph Fulwood 2009, Tony Dumblius
20/8 Thomas Bradley 1977, Florence (May) Bullivant, June Weatherby, Thyra Thomas
21/8 Katie Garraton 2008, Enid Wilson, Maria Diver

Financial Report

Second Collections: 6 September Church Maintenance (H), 13 September Catholic Education Service. *Cannock Second Collections are for Car Park when there is no other 2nd Collection.*

Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford: 9 August Standing Orders £117. GA £76, other £250.75.

St Mary & St Thomas More, Cannock St Orders £439 (each week); 9 August Gift Aid £83, Other £79
Car Park £86, *An application is being made to the Diocese for funding to renovate the car park. We hope to receive permission to begin work in the autumn.*

Foodbank from Hednesford and Cannock: 16 kg donated to the Foodbank last week. Donations are needed of tinned veg, tinned meat and biscuits as stocks remain very low. Thanks for your support!

Quick Links to apply for Read Newsletter, Baptism, Check or to Book Mass Intentions, or Watch Mass Live.

Newsletter Online bit.ly/M-Latest	Mass int Calendar bit.ly/M-Masscalendar	Live Stream (C) stmcancock.org	Baptism Application bit.ly/M-BaptismForm	Mass Int Form bit.ly/M-MassInt
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