



# ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH, LEICESTER

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Dear Brothers and Sisters, Hello!

Today, dear brothers and sisters, I wish to add my voice to the cry which rises up with increasing anguish from every part of the world, from every people, from the heart of each person, from the one great family which is humanity: it is the cry for peace! It is a cry which declares with force: we want a peaceful world, we want to be men and women of peace, and we want in our society, torn apart by divisions and conflict, that peace break out! War never again! Never again war! Peace is a precious gift, which must be promoted and protected.

There are so many conflicts in this world which cause me great suffering and worry, but in these days my heart is deeply wounded in particular by what is happening in Syria and anguished by the dramatic developments which are looming.

I appeal strongly for peace, an appeal which arises from the deep within me. How much suffering, how much devastation, how much pain has the use of arms carried in its wake in that martyred country, especially among civilians and the unarmed! I think of many children will not see the light of the future! With utmost firmness I condemn the use of chemical weapons: I tell you that those terrible images from recent days are burned into my mind and heart. There is a judgment of God and of history upon our actions which are inescapable! Never has the use of violence brought peace in its wake. War begets war, violence begets violence.

With all my strength, I ask each party in this conflict to listen to the voice of their own conscience, not to close themselves in solely on their own interests, but rather to look at each other as brothers and decisively and courageously to follow the path of encounter and negotiation, and so overcome blind conflict. With similar vigour I exhort the international community to make every effort to promote clear proposals for peace in that country without further delay, a peace based on dialogue and negotiation, for the good of the entire Syrian people.

May no effort be spared in guaranteeing humanitarian assistance to those wounded by this terrible conflict, in particular those forced to flee and the many refugees in nearby countries. May humanitarian workers, charged with the task of alleviating the sufferings of these people, be granted access so as to provide the necessary aid . . . .

. . . . To this end, brothers and sisters, I have decided to proclaim for the whole Church on 7 September next, the vigil of the birth of Mary, Queen of Peace, a day of fasting and prayer for peace in Syria, the Middle East, and throughout the world, and I also invite each person, including our fellow Christians, followers of other religions and all men of good will, to participate, in whatever way they can, in this initiative.

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## 8th September 2013 (Prayer Week 3) "Racial Justice Sunday"

### Mass Times and Intentions

#### 23rd SUNDAY OF YEAR (C)

(Saturday) 6.00 pm at St. Joseph's

*(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm)*

9.00 am at Rosary Church

10.30 am at St. Joseph's

6.00 pm at St. Joseph's

*(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm)*

*(Intentions for Sunday Mass)*

*for Pedro & Theodolina Fernandes, Mae Dale,*

*Xavier & Josephine Fernandes, Josie Rielly*

#### MONDAY 9th SEPTEMBER

7.00 pm at St. Joseph's *for Paul & Philomena Cronin*

#### TUESDAY 10th SEPTEMBER

10.00 am at St. Joseph's *for Betty Merriman*

#### WEDNESDAY 11th SEPTEMBER

10.00 am at St. Joseph's

*for Buffong & Daniel Families, Josie Pedro Fernandes*

#### THURSDAY 12th SEPTEMBER

10.00 am at St. Joseph's: *Service of Word & Communion*

#### FRIDAY 13th SEPTEMBER

*(St. John Chrysostom)*

7.00 pm at St. Joseph's *for Parish Friends*

#### SATURDAY 14th SEPTEMBER

*(Exaltation of the Holy Cross)*

9.30 am at The Rosary Church *for Eileen Delaney-Green*

#### 24th SUNDAY OF YEAR (C)

(Saturday) 6.00 pm at St. Joseph's

*(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm)*

#### SUNDAY 15th SEPTEMBER

9.00 am at Rosary Church : 10.30 am at St. Joseph's

6.00 pm at St. Joseph's

*(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm)*

*(Intentions for Sunday Mass)*

*for Eric & Ellen Kelvey, John Walmsley, Thanksgiving*

#### CONFESSIONS EACH WEEK

SUNDAY 5.15 pm at St. Joseph's

SATURDAY 10.00 am at the Rosary Church  
and 5.15 pm at St. Joseph's

#### BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

open every day this week from 10.30 am - 6.00 pm.

*The Parish on Sundays*  
**AT ST JOSEPH'S**  
 DRINKS, LIBRARY, FAIR TRADE  
**AT THE ROSARY CHURCH**  
 DRINKS, CAKE STALL, FAIR TRADE



**Year of Faith Diary**  
**THIS WEEK**  
**Pray & Fast**  
**for Peace**  
 See Pope Francis' letter

## Parish Diary This Week

**Monday 9th September**  
**QUESTION OF FAITH.** Yes, questioners, answerers and listeners welcomed to the Blessed Sacrament following the evening mass.

**Tuesday 10th September**  
**CHOIR PRACTICE** in the parish hall at 7.30 pm. Anyone who enjoys singing is welcome to join us.

### Thursday 12th September

**PARISH OPEN DAY at St Joseph's**  
 ~ Hot drinks in the Coffee Shop!  
 Parish Library, Fair Trade Stall,  
 "HOME FROM HOME"  
 Garden and Watermead Shop are all open after the morning Service.

## Postbag

### A message from CARJ

(Catholic Association for Racial Justice)

Despite changes in the law, Black and Minority ethnic (BME) communities still regularly experience worse services in education, health, housing and criminal justice sectors compared to the White British Population.

CARJ asks for our interest and support in bringing about greater equalities in our society - to examine our own biases and positions of privilege, to ask how compassionate we feel towards other communities, how we can promote understanding and mutual respect, and how we can advocate equal opportunity for all so that there is a beloved community for everyone to share.

CARJ asks we reflect and pray on Martin Luther King's dream of a society united in respect and love.

To anyone who would like to help!

The Christmas card packing for the "Let the Children Live" Charity cards begins this year after morning mass on Thursday 3rd October. Helpers welcomed. Thank you. Theresa

On 7 September, in Saint Peter's Square, here, from 19:00 until 24:00, we will gather in prayer and in a spirit of penance, invoking God's great gift of peace upon the beloved nation of Syria and upon each situation of conflict and violence around the world. Humanity needs to see these gestures of peace and to hear words of hope and peace! I ask all the local churches, in addition to fasting, that they gather to pray for this intention.

Let us ask Mary to help us to respond to violence, to conflict and to war, with the power of dialogue, reconciliation and love. She is our mother: may she help us to find peace; all of us are her children! Help us, Mary, to overcome this most difficult moment and to dedicate ourselves each day to building in every situation an authentic culture of encounter and peace. Mary, Queen of Peace, pray for us!

*Pope Francis* (Day of Prayer and Fasting for Peace)

Full text on the Vatican Website (link below)

[http://press.catholica.va/news\\_services/bulletin/news/31615.php?index=31615&po\\_date=01.09.2013&lang=en#TRADUZIONE IN LINGUA INGLESE](http://press.catholica.va/news_services/bulletin/news/31615.php?index=31615&po_date=01.09.2013&lang=en#TRADUZIONE%20IN%20LINGUA%20INGLESE)

## Prayer Box

Please pray for:

**Families of the parish and our loved ones living and dead**  
 especially for those who have recently died:  
 Arthur Keegan (RIP)

The sick and housebound, those in hospital and in nursing homes - especially:

Jack Laing, Declan, Theresa Woolford, Mary Keenan, Fabian Sweeney, Christina Flynn, Anna Nugent, Jonathan Lockwood, Pat Aitken, Mary Eaton, Jenny Aitken, Rhonda Jones, Callum Mahes

Prayers this week for: Fr Frank Daly, Marie

The McCann family and all missing children

The peoples and countries of the world, especially - you choose!

## PILGRIMAGES 2014

### MALTA

Flights from East Midlands early afternoon, 4 star hotel, half board and all travel.

Some places still available.

**4th-11th February : £429**  
**8th-15th February (half term week): £439**

### ITALY

These are our choices and we shall choose what people prefer. Let Fr John know your preference by 10th October and we can plan.

#### ROME

**11th-17th July : £495**

#### ROME AND ASSISI

**11th - 20th July : £695**

#### FRANCISCAN PILGRIMAGE

**Padua & Assisi (including Venice)**

**17th -23rd July : £495**

#### ROME

**6th - 13th November : £439**

## Dates for Diary

LEICESTER CITY OF SANCTUARY

"Forced & Voluntary Returns from the UK"

**Saturday 14th September**

at the Quaker Meeting House,  
 Queens Road, Leicester

All welcome. Details from 0116 254 0770  
 or [amanda@christiansaware.co.uk](mailto:amanda@christiansaware.co.uk)

### FOUNDATIONS OF OUR BELIEF

A talk by Fr Ted Mullen IC  
 at the Rosmini Centre

**Saturday 14th September**

10.30 am - 1.00 pm  
 (bring a packed lunch)

## Active Youth

**Sharing Spiritual & Social Time**  
**in the Leicester East Deanery**

A warm invitation is extended to all who lead various youth groups within their parishes to come along on  
**Wednesday 18th September**  
**at 7.30 pm, to the Immaculate Conception Church in Oadby**  
 More information if required from Fr. Stephan Foster 0116 2783863 or Pauline Payne 07885 187374

### Day of Prayer in Westminster for Peace in the Middle East

**Saturday 28th September**

9.30 am - 3.30 pm : Led by Mgr Keith Barltrop, Canon Christopher Tuckwell & other priests  
 See notice board for details

### A RETREAT

at the Rosmini Centre

"Praying with St Therese of Lisieux"  
 led by Fr John Udris

**Sunday 29th September**

10.30 am - 4.00 pm

### NEXT "Twilight" RETREAT

**Wednesday 2nd October**

7.00 - 9.00 pm. "Angels around us"

Last week's collection was safely

counted and banked. **£1,150**

Thank you. *Counters this week : Karen & Chris*

(Next week: Gloriosa & Sarah)

### PARISH ROTA FOR NEXT WEEKEND

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Children's Liturgy
Sat. 6.00 pm	Clare	Caroline	
Sun. 10.30 am	Gail	Gerry / Mary	Lynn & Faith
6.00 pm	TBA	Marie	