

### ST. 10SEPH'S PARISH, LEICESTER

St. Joseph's Church, Uppingham Road : The Rosary Church, Armadale Drive Priest serving the parish : Father John Daley I.C.

Parish House, 12 Goodwood Road, Leicester LE5 6SG: Tel. 0116 241 5159 Email: stjoseph-leicester@ntlworld.com Website: www.stjoseph-leicester.btck.co.uk Hall Bookings Email: stjosephs-hall@hotmail.co.uk or ring the Parish House

(Nottingham Roman Catholic Diocesan Trustees Registered Charity number 234064)

Sisters of St. Joseph, The Convent, Uppingham Road, Leicester LE5 6RA: Telephone 0116 241 6255 Schools: St. Paul's Comprehensive, Spencefield Lane, Leicester LE5 6HN: Telephone 0116 241 4057 and St. Joseph's Primary, Armadale Drive, Leicester LE5 1HF: Telephone 0116 241 6197 Watermead Apostolate, St. Joseph's, 12 Goodwood Road, Leicester LE5 6SG: Telephone 0116 220 7881

Dear People,

Today we welcome Heather Ward to speak about Aid to the Church in Need. I know how touched you will be by what she says. Here is part of a letter sent by a friend last week - speaking of the suffering of Christians, just as Heather will.

"This is so sad...

A friend just got a text message from her brother asking her to shower him and his parish in prayer. He is part of a mission and ISIS has today taken over the town they are in. He said ISIS is systematically going house to house to all the Christians and asking the children to denounce Jesus. He said so far not one child has, so consequently all have been killed. But not the parents.

The UN has withdrawn and the missionaries are on their own. They are determined to stick it out for the sake of the local families - even if it means their own deaths. He is very afraid, has no idea how to even begin ministering to these families who have seen their children martyred. Yet he says he knows God has called him for some reason to be his voice and hands at this place at this time. Even so, he is begging prayers for his courage to live out his vocation in such dire circumstances. And like the children, accept martyrdom if he is called to do so.

She asked me to ask everyone we know to please pray for them. These brave parents instilled such a fervent faith in their children that they chose martyrdom. Please surround them in their loss with your prayers for hope and perseverance.

She was able to talk to her brother briefly by phone. She didn't say it but I believe she believes it will be their last conversation. Pray for her too. She said he just kept asking her to help him know what to do and do it. She told him to tell the families we ARE praying for them and they are not alone or forgotten -- no matter what. Her email broke my heart.

Please keep all in your prayers. Thanks."

We pray with and for them - and for all who suffer around our world.

God bless them, Fr. John

**5th October 2014** (Prayer Week 3) "Aid to the Church in Need"

### Mass Times and Intentions 27th SUNDAY OF YEAR A

(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 Kay Redmond, Flory Lobo, Robert D'Souza, Dhiren Ganatra, Marina Sewell, Audrey Brown

#### **MONDAY 6th OCTOBER**

(St Bruno, Priest)

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

#### **TUESDAY 7th OCTOBER**

(Our Lady of the Rosary)

9.45 am at St. Joseph's for The Horan Family (Mass earlier because Fr John is attending a funeral)

#### WEDNESDAY 8th OCTOBER

10.00 am at St. Joseph's for Monica O'Brien

#### THURSDAY 9th OCTOBER

(Blessed John Henry Newman, St John Leonardi, St Denis & Companion Martyrs) 10.00 am at St. Joseph's for Our Lady & St Anthony

### FRIDAY 10th OCTOBER

(St Paulinus of York) 7.00 pm at St. Joseph's for John Philip Varley

### **SATURDAY 11th OCTOBER**

9.30 am at The Rosary Church for John Norman

### 28th SUNDAY OF YEAR A

(Saturday) 6.00 pm at St. Joseph's (Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm)

#### **SUNDAY 12th OCTOBER**

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 Sharon & Sherwin, Kathleen Collins, Pat Scanlon, Patrick O'Halloran, Daniel & Buffong Families

#### **BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL**

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

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

# The Parish on Sundays OT ST LUSEPUS DRINKS, LIBRARY

### OT THE RUSARY CHURCH DRINKS, CAKE STALL

Anyone still wanting to purchase Fair Trade items should contact Margaret direct.

### Parish Diary This Week

**Monday 6th October** 

QUESTION OF FAITH. We continue our meetings. Blessed Sacrament chapel after evening mass. Welcome.

**Tuesday 7th October** 

confirmation programme. We meet again, 5.30-6.30 pm. All seems to go well. Please pray with us.

**CHOIR PRACTICE** in the parish hall at 7.30 pm. All welcome to join us.

**Wednesday 8th October** 

**MEDITATION** at the Convent today. 10.45 am: Quiet prayer, meditation and intercessions. All welcome.

**FAMILY MASS** at St Paul's School, 7.00 pm. A chance to welcome the new Year 7 Students and their families.

### **Thursday 9th October**

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

### Watermead) SHOP OPENING TIMES

Tues, Wed, Thur from 10.30 am-3.30 pm Sat 5 - 5.55 pm & Sun 11.45 am-12.45 pm Information from 0116 220 7881 / 0

Christmas cards, 2015 calendars and diaries now available

OCTOBER the month of the Rosary
Come and see our selection of rosaries finger, devotional, special gift, prayer guides, etc.
The largest choice outside of Rome!

**Fr John Doman has died**. Many of you will remember him from when he came in July when I was away. You told me what a good man he was, how beautifully he spoke.

He was in remission from cancer, but it flared up and in a few weeks he has gone. He died peacefully. We all had chance to visit him and how pleasant the visits were.

The Requiem Mass will be on **Tuesday at Ratcliffe College, 11.00 am.** Fr John will be at the requiem and will start our parish morning mass at 9.45 am instead of 10.00 am.

Please pray for Fr John Doman and family.

# 4

### Prayer Box



Please pray for:
Families of the parish

and our loved ones living and dead especially for those who have recently died:

Fr John Doman (RIP), Jean Edge (RIP)

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

Jack Laing, Declan, Fabian Sweeney, Christina Flynn, Jenny Aitken, Jonathan Lockwood, Ed James,

Pat Aitken, Lucia & Lina Lobo

Prayers for: Thomas Coleman

The McCann family and all missing children
The peoples and countries of the world,
especially LIBERIA, IRAQ & SYRIA

### Postbag

Dear Father John,

St Joseph's SVP would like to express their appreciation to the parish for last week's collection which totalled £604.29 - a magnificent result.

Please be assured that this will be used for the benefit of many worthwhile activities. Thank you once again for your generous response.

St Joseph's St Vincent de Paul Society



### October

THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY

# Today begins the Synod on Marriage and Family Life

We pray Pope Francis' prayer again Jesus, Mary and Josephs, in you we contemplate the splendour of true love, to you we turn with trust.

Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that our families too

may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel and small domestic Churches.

Holy Family of Nazareth, may families never again experience violence, rejection and division: may all who have been hurt or scandalized find ready comfort and healing.

Holy Family of Nazareth, may the approaching Synod of Bishops make us once more mindful of the sacredness

of the sacredness and inviolability of the family, and its beauty in God's plan.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, graciously hear our prayer. Amen.

6.00 pm

# Dates for Diary

# RATCLIFFE COLLEGE OPEN MORNING Saturday 11th October

9.30 am - 12 noon. Welcome.

### 'Archbishop Oscar Romero'

A presentation by Fr. Ted Mullen.

#### Saturday 11 October

Rosmini Centre, 11.00 am. Shared lunch Please book by telephoning 01509 813078. Mass available at 10.00 am.

**AFRICAN CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY** invite us to Mother of God Church to their

### CWO Annual Fiesta/Bazaar Saturday 11th October 12 noon

Speakers, drama, fashion fair, women's football, music, food and drink

### "Praying with GK Chesterton"

Day led by Fr.John Udris Postulator of Cause **Sunday 19th October** 

11.00 am to 4.00 pm including Mass and lunch Book 01509 813078 or

rosminicentreinfo@gmail.com

# Our next "Twilight" Retreat Wednesday 22nd October

Our theme is "Assisi and Padua"

### Outing to Harvington Hall

an Elizabethan House in Kidderminster full of priests' hiding places, taking us back to the 16th century

**Thursday 23rd October** (provisional)
Please phone Frances on 07790 631635
(Melton Mowbray Parish invitation)

### Confirmation

More of our young people's translations - as if written for 10/11 year olds.

#### **Our Father**

"Dear Dad in heaven, your name is holy. When your kingdom comes your mission will be complete in us as it is with God. Feed us what we need, forgive our wrongdoing, and help us to forgive those who have not been nice to us. Guide us to make the right decisions and keep us safe from harm."

#### **Hail Mary**

"Mary who is so holy and pure, the Lord is by your side. You are the most important woman known to God and all. You gave us God's son, Jesus. Please let us feel God's presence amongst us. Pray for us now because we have done things bad and pray for us when we die."

### Malta Pilgrimage 2015

**17th-24th February** (8 days) £399 **17th-28th February** (12 days) £535

(All places have gone - there are now waiting lists)

Last week's collections were safely counted and banked. Thank you. Parish £1,114 SVP £604.29

Counters this week Gail & Keith: (Next week: Tony)

#### PARISH ROTA FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Sat. 6.00 pm Marie Caroline
Sun. 10.30 am Paul Gerry/Mary

TBA

Caroline erry/Mary Marie Children's Liturgy
AS DECIDED

(anyone who would like to join the teams, please see a leader or Fr John)