



ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH, LEICESTER

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Dear People,

Our pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi was wonderful. Forty-eight people came from around the country as well as locally from Leicester. We blended beautifully into a happy and prayerful group and people were commenting how good to make new friends in the setting of a pilgrimage.

We began in Assisi with mass at the Basilica of St Francis. Our hotel was ideally placed for walks and views around Assisi and over the landscape of Umbria. We were very near St Francis' Basilica and were able to visit several times and had mass with the community and other pilgrims early in the morning and again in the evening.

We walked the fascinating little streets of the town, visiting St Clare's, the Cathedral, several small churches and shared the lovely atmosphere of Assisi that is always part of the welcome. The spirit of St Francis and St Clare is so alive, as it has been down the centuries. Assisi loves its two saints and shares that love with the pilgrims who come.

One evening we went to see the musical "Chiara di Dio" (Clare of God) which we had seen in previous visits, but this was the best. The applause at the end told the cast just how good we thought they were. A crowded theatre allowed them to respond with gratitude for our appreciation. The actors explained to us who they are: a community of young people, bound by prayer and dedication and sharing several years of giving their lives to God. They asked us to pray for them.

Our journey to Rome started sadly as we had left the happiness of Assisi, but the wonder of Rome captivated us immediately. The first evening we had mass at St Peter's at the main altar, other days we were allowed our own celebration in English in beautiful chapels down in the crypt. We began many of our visits with prayer in the churches and wound our way through Church Rome, Ancient Rome, a vibrant capital city in six full days. It was everything we wanted. We prayed for family, friends and parishes.

If you use Facebook you may like to share the pilgrimage through the photographs uploaded there. Just search for the "Watermead Pilgrimage" group.

God bless you all from Rome and Assisi

Fr. John

16th November 2014 (Prayer Week 1)
"How good / nice / lovely are you?"

Mass Times and Intentions

33rd 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 John & Cynthia Bunten, Joe & Michael Moore,

Billy Walsh, Micheal Keaveny,

John & Sarah Kearney & family

MONDAY 17th NOVEMBER

(St Elizabeth of Hungary, St Hugh of Lincoln, St Hilda)

7.00 pm at St. Joseph's for Sarah Brady

TUESDAY 18th NOVEMBER

(Dedication of St Peter & St Paul Basilica)

10.00 am at St. Joseph's for The Hulme Family

WEDNESDAY 19th NOVEMBER

10.00 am at St. Joseph's for Carlo Lanni

THURSDAY 20th NOVEMBER

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

FRIDAY 21st NOVEMBER

(Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary)

7.00 pm at St. Joseph's for Frank Gallagher

SATURDAY 22nd NOVEMBER

(St Cecilia)

9.30 am at The Rosary Church for Family Blessing

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

(Saturday) 6.00 pm at St. Joseph's

(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm)

SUNDAY 23rd NOVEMBER

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 Hugh Burns, Peter Leech,

Bernard Cassidy, The Browne Family,

The Rodrigues & Fernandes Families

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 - dusk.

The Parish on Sundays



Hot (and cold) drinks after mass on Sunday mornings at both our churches. The Lourdes Garden, the library and Watermead Shop open at St Joseph's.

Parish Diary This Week

Monday 17th November

QUESTION OF FAITH. We begin our meetings leading up to Advent and Christmas in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel after mass. All welcome.

Tuesday 18th November

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION. We meet in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at 7.00 pm.

CHOIR PRACTICE in the parish hall at 7.30 pm. We begin for Advent, etc ...

Wednesday 19th November

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

Thursday 20th November

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.

Saturday 22nd November

"TEN 2 ONE" RETREAT. See details in "Dates for Diary" and telephone 0116 220 7881 to book a place.

Watermead shop

The "Old Stable" Centre
www.watermead-apostolate.com
SHOP OPENING TIMES

Tues, Wed, Thur from 10.30 am-3.30 pm
Sat 5.00 - 5.55 pm & Sun 11.45 am-12.45 pm

PILGRIMAGES 2015

Malta 17th- 24th & 17th- 28th February - all places booked, but there is a waiting list.

Rome and Assisi 15th-23rd July

We travel again with our friends from Scotland. Cost is **£525** half board plus cost of flight on day of booking (this is actually cheaper than in 2013)

Yet to be arranged . . .

Lourdes/Padua/Padre Pio
in September - probable

Rome in November is a certainty
Let Fr John know your interest

NEXT SUNDAY

The Feast of Christ the King

is traditionally when we celebrate the young people of our parish.

See www.nationalyouthsunday.org.uk

Prayer Box

Please pray for:
Families of the parish
and our loved ones living and dead

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: Cynthia Bunten, Betty Esposito, Eve and Andrew

The McCann family and all missing children

The peoples and countries of the world, especially the UKRAINE

POPE FRANCIS



We saw the Pope on two occasions - Sunday at the Angelus and Wednesday at the Papal Audience. On each occasion he spoke with love and

faith and sadness, wanting us to share God's love with the world that does not know that love. His own love for everyone is manifest every time he speaks.

At the Audience a number of our pilgrims were in very good positions as Pope Francis made his way in the popemobile to wave to the thousands who were there, and the photographs they took will be a good memory of how close they were as he passed by, smiling and blessing.

Pope Francis has given permission for a new venture - a Papal blessing. The usual Papal blessing is commissioned for a particular occasion, most obviously a wedding or wedding anniversary. The scrolls are inscribed with the names of the people being blessed and become a personal gift from family and friends on that celebration.

But for the first time this year we saw beautiful scrolls with a general blessing from Pope Francis and his smiling photograph. We have brought back a number and they will be available in the Watermead Shop. They will make beautiful Christmas gifts or any occasion gifts. You will like them, I know.

Pope Francis told us his blessing was for us and all our loved ones. So we have brought his blessing back from Rome for all those we love and care for.

Fr John

Parish Collection - details next week.

Counters: Karen & Chris (NW: Pauline & Christine)

Dates for Diary

"TEN 2 ONE" Retreat at St Joseph's "Heaven" - talks and music led by Fr John
Saturday 22nd November

10.30 am - 1.00 pm (hot drinks from 10.00 am)
Donation £3.00 : Register on 0116 220 7881

FAMILIES and FAITH

organised by Diocesan Adult Formation

Saturday 22nd November

Guest Speaker: Bishop John Sherrington at Christ the King, Darlton Drive, Arnold
Details on notice board or ask Fr John.

HCPT (Grp 215) Charity Quiz Night

at The Linford, Newtown Linford

Friday 28th November 7.30 pm

£2 per person or £10 for a team of 6

All money raised on the night will go towards taking 5 children with various needs to Lourdes at Easter 2015

Annual Candlelight Carol Service and Entertainment Evening

Wednesday 3rd December

We begin in the Watermead Courtyard at 7, with a short service in memory of loved ones - and then move in the parish hall for Fr John's hot punch, mince pies and seasonal entertainment. All are welcome. Donations.



More parish Christmas dates next week

ROSMINI CENTRE RATCLIFFE

Saturday 22nd November

AFTERNOON RETREAT 3.00-7.00pm
Reflection theme "Eucharist"

Sunday 7th December.

RETREAT DAY given by Fr. John Daley IC. 10.30 am to 4.00 pm. Lunch included.

Please telephone 01509 813078 or email rosminicentreinfo@gmail.com. Donations appreciated to cover costs and stipends.

Postbag

Dear Parishioners,

If anyone would like to volunteers to stand in when we are not here Sundays to provide the tea and coffee after mass, please contact us (or Fr John). It would be helpful to have a list of names with phone numbers that we know we can call on.

Thanks very much, Theresa and Bob

Dear Fr John,

Thanks again for the wonderful service and use of the parish hall for mum's (Kathleen's) funeral.

It really was a very special venue and the reception went so well thanks to the wonderful ladies and Bob and Theresa's help.
Best Regards, Maureen and Trisha Collins

Heel-to-Toe Footcare Service Julie, a foot care specialist, will be holding a regular foot care clinic in the Watermead Centre at St Joseph's every 5-6 weeks on Thursdays beginning on **27th November**. Anyone who would like to make an appointment (or obtain further information) should telephone **Julie direct on 0116 3678480**

PARISH ROTA FOR NEXT WEEKEND

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. 6.00 pm	Marie	Cecilia
Sun. 10.30 am	John	Sister Lelia ? Mary
6.00 pm	TBA	Marie