



**CHRIST
IS RISEN**

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH, LEICESTER

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Dear People,

In 1963 I heard one of the most encouraging talks of my life. It was given at the headquarters of the Food and Agricultural Organisation of the United Nations (FAO) to students for the priesthood from around the city. The assembly hall was crowded.

We were told that the world had enough land and knowledge to feed everyone for the foreseeable future. Wonderful to hear! No one need ever again be hungry. Land and knowledge to feed the whole world! BUT Distribution was the problem. Parts of the world were hungry and other parts had surpluses - in food, in skills and knowledge. We lacked ships, planes, trucks, roads, access. Without capital investment, the food so easily grown, could not be distributed.

A powerful glimpse of our inter-dependent world. We all have a part to play. The road-builder, the engineer, the pilot, the driver are important in feeding the hungry. Education in its many forms is necessary to feed, nurse, develop the world. All human skills involved. The whole world involved . . .

It was a lesson in world citizenship. I had grown up in Wales aware of my Irish ancestry and sneered at for being neither Welsh nor Irish. As I continued my education in England at university I grew into an understanding of being British, which brought more sneers - how could I be Irish or Welsh if I were British. But sitting in class in Rome for the years of priestly studies I knew I was European, had so much in common with the other students in the Catholic Church and our shared history. In the many Church missions in the developing world I knew that as a Catholic and a priest I would be vividly aware of being a citizen of the world.

Each new understanding cost me. I saw prejudices in a new way and came to loathe all separation based on colour, race, religion, nationalism. One human family, one God who loves us all.

A great lesson I learned in the years in Rome, a blessing that at Easter is highlighted in the joy and promise of eternal life for us all. Christ is risen, has been raised from the dead (whichever way you prefer to say it) and in him the whole human race is redeemed. What a world for God to bless. We all need each other, no one to be excluded or devalued or exterminated.

God bless us, every one.

Fr. John

PARISH OPEN DAYS - PROPOSED WEEKEND 1st - 3rd May

Would you like to be involved in celebrating our church becoming a Grade II listed building as we celebrate St Joseph's feast day?

Please tell Fr John and we shall meet to plan.

12th April 2015 (Prayer Week 2) "Easter and a new world"

Mass Times and Intentions

2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

(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 Ella D'Souza, Jim & Mary Doyle, Harry Flowers,
Vincent Anderson, Sally & Ritchie Hiles

MONDAY 13th APRIL

(St Martin I, Pope)

7.00 pm at St. Joseph's for Percy & Joan Brown

TUESDAY 14th APRIL

10.00 am at St. Joseph's for Maurice Dowd

WEDNESDAY 15th APRIL

10.00 am at St. Joseph's for Francis & Sheelagh

THURSDAY 16th APRIL

(St Bernadette)

10.00 am at St. Joseph's for Thanksgiving to St Anthony

FRIDAY 17th APRIL

7.00 pm at St. Joseph's for Family Blessing

SATURDAY 18th APRIL

9.30 am at The Rosary Church

for Paul & Philomena Cronin

3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

(Saturday) 6.00 pm at St. Joseph's

(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm)

SUNDAY 19th APRIL

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 Leo Lobo, Family & Friends, Special Intention

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.

