



# ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH, LEICESTER

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Dear People,

Our Bishops have produced a Question and Answer on Assisted Suicide. Here are extracts. The full text can be found on the parish website.

Why shouldn't it be legal to assist suicide if the person wishing to die is old or disabled or ill?

Every person's life is equally worthy of respect and protection. Even if someone loses sight of the dignity and value of their life (whether through pain, suffering or loneliness), they remain valuable in themselves and a member of the human family. They deserve care, support and sometimes medical treatment for depression, not assistance with suicide. Neither the criminal law nor the DPP guidance distinguishes between suicide of young people who are physically-well and of someone who is old, disabled or ill. Indeed, as a society we rightly go to great lengths to prevent each and every suicide. In the words of the World Health Organisation, 'every single life lost to suicide is one too many'.

How can we stand by while people die in pain? Don't we have a duty to do something?

We do have a duty to do something. The United Kingdom was a pioneer in the hospice movement and the development of palliative care but most people do not have access to a hospice. There is need for more resources to support improved palliative and end of life care. Most hospitals focus on curing people and sometimes 'could do better' when it comes to care of the dying. Over 95% of pain can be controlled with specialist help and as a last resort a person could at least be comfortably sedated.

What does the Church say about the value and dignity of dying people?

In a message addressed to Catholics in Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales, Pope Francis said, 'Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live for ever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect'. The Church teaches that life is a gift from God and supports high quality care for the dying and protection for the weak and vulnerable.

We believe in God's love for everyone, from the child in the womb to the frailest and the most elderly.

God bless us to see what we can do.

Fr. John

**19th July 2015 (Prayer Week 4)**

"Life is precious . . . ."

## Mass Times and Intentions

### 16th SUNDAY OF YEAR (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 Peter Lobo, The D'Costa Family,

Julia Quirke, Ann Donohue

### MONDAY 20th JULY

7.00 pm at St. Joseph's Service of Word & Communion

### TUESDAY 21st JULY

(St Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest)

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

### WEDNESDAY 22nd JULY

(St Mary Magdalene)

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

### THURSDAY 23rd JULY

(St Bridget)

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

### FRIDAY 24th JULY

(St Declan)

7.00 pm at St. Joseph's for Thanksgiving

### SATURDAY 25th JULY

(St James, Apostle, St Christopher)

9.30 am at The Rosary Church for Family & Friends

### 17th SUNDAY OF YEAR (B)

(Saturday) 6.00 pm at St. Joseph's

(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm)

### SUNDAY 26th JULY

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 Julia Quirke, Ray Rayner, Holy Souls

### 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 most days this week from 10.30 am - 6.00 pm.



**ON FAMILY DAY**, the first Sunday of each month at St Joseph's, the "Home from Home" shop is also open - we welcome ideas to complement this regular event. Do get in touch and suggest.

## Wednesday 22nd July

**MEDITATION** in St Joseph's pastoral centre, 10.50 am - enter via the church after the Communion Service or through the side gates from the car park. Quiet prayer, meditation and intercessions. All welcome.

**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.

**The “HOME FROM HOME” shop** is closed for re-stocking but will be open again very soon and the team welcomes new items - bric-a-brac, good quality clothing, etc. (no books).

Sat 5-6 pm & Sun 11.45 am-12.15 pm  
Information from from 0116 220 7881 / 0  
[www.watermead-apostolate.com](http://www.watermead-apostolate.com)

Anyone interested joining in with the prayer should contact Sister Lelia.

*"When on a summer's morn I wake,  
And open my two eyes,  
Out to the clear, born-singing rills  
My bird-like spirit flies . . . ."*



The McCann family and all missing children  
The peoples and countries of the world,  
especially GREECE

## Postbag

The telephone number is 01993 824464 should you wish to speak to Miranda direct.

It is good to be reminded about news that we miss. God bless us. Fr John

who were married at St Joseph's this weekend. We pray for them.

### Dates for Diary

**ZIMBABWE ASSOCIATION EXHIBITION**  
sponsored by Leicester City of Sanctuary  
**4th-8th and 10th-14th August**  
at the Methodist Church on Bishop Street  
near Leicester Town Hall

## Rosary Rally

**Sunday 23rd August**  
Details on notice board.

**NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM**  
**Sunday 27th September**  
*Pilgrimage of Reparation and Prayer*  
*for the Sanctity of Life*  
 Local details of travel available later.

## LET THE CHILDREN LIVE

Autumn Fayre, complete with barbeque  
**Sunday 11th October**  
Details later

**World Youth Day 2016**  
22nd July - 1st August 2016  
at Krakow in Poland

The diocese is inviting young people aged 18-25 to travel together.  
Cost £900 to include travel, accommodation, events, meals and insurance.

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Would you like to be part of a local group?  
Will you be 18 years old by July of 2016?  
Cost: approx. £400 including travel,  
accommodation, all events, meals & insurance.  
Contact Angela (angelab1066@yahoo.ie) or  
Elvira (elviraave@yahoo.co.uk)

## Holy Year Pilgrimages 2016

*with the parish - more details from Fr John*

**1. MALTA** - (same prices as this year)  
2nd-9th February at **£399** or  
2nd-12th February at **£525**

*Please tell Fr John as soon as possible, if you would like to go to Malta with a deposit of £200. 50 people booked so far.*

## 2. PADUA and VENICE

staying in Padua but visiting nearby Venice, Verona and Lake Garda (20 interested, so far)

We can choose **14th - 21st July**  
or **15th - 22nd September** at **£499**

### 3. ROME

**11th-17th or 18th-24th November**  
**£499** - to be confirmed  
 when flight schedules are available.

Last week's collections were safely counted and banked. Thank you.

Parish	£946	APOSTLESHIP	£356
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Counters this week : New list coming

## PARISH ROTA FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Sat. 6.00 pm  
Sun. 10.30 am  
6.00 pm

**Readers**  
Clare  
Paul  
TBA

**Eucharistic Ministers**  
Sal  
Anne G  
Vincent

**Children's Liturgy**  
SUMMER HOLIDAY  
BREAK