



ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH, LEICESTER

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Dear People,

Jimmy Carter, former president of the United States and a fine Christian man, has made a strong statement about his Southern Baptist Church:

"Women and girls have been discriminated against for too long in a twisted interpretation of the word of God. I have been a practising Christian all my life and a deacon and Bible teacher for many years. My faith is a source of strength and comfort to me, as religious beliefs are to hundreds of millions of people around the world. So my decision to sever my ties with the Southern Baptist Convention, after six decades, was painful and difficult. It was, however, an unavoidable decision when the convention's leaders, quoting a few carefully selected Bible verses and claiming that Eve was created second to Adam and was responsible for original sin, ordained that women must be "subservient" to their husbands and prohibited from serving as deacons, pastors or chaplains in the military service.

"This view that women are somehow inferior to men is not restricted to one religion or belief. Women are prevented from playing a full and equal role in many faiths. Nor, tragically, does its influence stop at the walls of the church, mosque, synagogue or temple. This discrimination, unjustifiably attributed to a Higher Authority, has provided a reason or excuse for the deprivation of women's equal rights across the world for centuries.

"At its most repugnant, the belief that women must be subjugated to the wishes of men excuses slavery, violence, forced prostitution, genital mutilation and national laws that omit rape as a crime. But it also costs many millions of girls and women control over their own bodies and lives, and continues to deny them fair access to education, health, employment and influence within their own communities.

"The impact of these religious beliefs touches every aspect of our lives. They help explain why in many countries boys are educated before girls; why girls are told when and whom they must marry; and why many face enormous and unacceptable risks in pregnancy and childbirth because their basic health needs are not met.

"The carefully selected verses found in the Holy Scriptures to justify the superiority of men owe more to time and place - and the determination of male leaders to hold onto their influence - than eternal truths. Similar biblical excerpts could be found to support the approval of slavery and the timid acquiescence to oppressive rulers.

"The truth is that male religious leaders have had - and still have - an option to interpret holy teachings either to exalt or subjugate women. They have, for their own selfish ends, overwhelmingly chosen the latter." (See over)

17th January 2016 (Prayer Week 2)

"Today is Peace Sunday. We hope & pray"

Mass Times and Intentions

2nd 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)

Sheila Jackson, Betty O'Gorman, Tim & Kath Collins,

Jack Laing, Bill Wall, Tommy Redmond

MONDAY 18th JANUARY

7.00 pm at St. Joseph's for Tony & Joan Colley

TUESDAY 19th JANUARY

(St Wulstan)

10.00 am at St. Joseph's for Dawn McCabe

WEDNESDAY 20th JANUARY

(St Fabian, Pope : St Sebastian)

10.00 am at St. Joseph's for Wincenty Wieczorek

THURSDAY 21st JANUARY

(St Agnes)

10.00 am at St. Joseph's for Lynda Flynn

FRIDAY 22nd JANUARY

(St Vincent)

7.00 pm at St. Joseph's for Sisters of St Francis

SATURDAY 23rd JANUARY

9.30 am at The Rosary Church for Caroline Delahunty

3rd SUNDAY OF YEAR (C)

(Saturday) 6.00 pm at St. Joseph's

(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm)

SUNDAY 24th JANUARY

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)

Mary Ellen Burns, Eamon Neary, PJ Francis,

Pedro F Rodrigues, Jack Laing

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 - 7.00 pm.

The Parish on Sundays



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

Christian Unity Week

18th - 25th January

Please consider taking part in whatever way you believe to be best in your locality.

Local to St Joseph's and the Rosary . . .

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN HUMBERSTONE

Tuesday 19th January

We meet for prayer and hunger lunch here at St Joseph's (see details below).

Sunday 24th January

Unity Service, 6.30 pm,
at Uppingham Road Methodist Church

Parish Diary This Week

Monday 18th January

QUESTION OF FAITH resumes this week. All questioners and answerers welcomed. Would you like to join us?

Tuesday 19th January

HUNGER LUNCH. Prayer at 12 noon, hunger lunch at 12.30 pm to support Christian Aid. Just come (parish hall).

Wednesday 20th January

MEDITATION in St Joseph's Pastoral Centre, 10.50 am - enter via the church after mass. Quiet prayer, meditation, intercessions. All welcome.

Thursday 21st January

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.

"KNITT AND KNATTER" 11.00 am - 12 noon, upstairs in the Coffee Shop. Please feel welcome to join us.

FOOTCARE CLINIC all day in the Watermead Centre (by appointment only). Phone Julie on 0116 3678480.

Friday 22nd January

THE MIRIAM PRAYER GROUP meet in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at 6.00 pm. All welcome.

Saturday 23rd January

VIOLIN LESSONS in the Children's Liturgy room from 10.00 - 11.00 am. If interested come and found out more.

Last week's collection was safely counted and banked. **£1,100**

Thank you. *Counters: John & June*

(Next week: Karen & Chris)

Prayer Box

Please pray for:
Families of the parish and our loved ones living and dead
especially for those who have recently died:
Fr Joe Mullen (RIP), Tony Colley (RIP)

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

Fabian Sweeney, Christina Flynn, Declan, Jenny Aitken, Jonathan Lockwood, Ed James, Pat Aitken, Lina Lobo, Mary Rayner, Patrick, Clare

Prayers for: Tom McGlashan

The McCann family and all missing children

The peoples and countries of the world, especially INDONESIA

Postbag

Dear Friends and Parishioners,

Many thanks for your prayers, good wishes and cards during my recent accident. I am pleased to say that I'm making progress now and hope to throw away the crutches in the next 2/3 weeks, then it will be Bob's turn: his op is on 25th January.

Thank you, Theresa.

Dear Fr John and all at St Joseph's,

Thank you all so much for your generous donations towards my Zimbabwe Dental Charity trip in February. I will update you when I am back.

God bless, Monica

Dear Friends,

It is the time of year when we are casting for new professional (salaried) actors to join the Ten Ten team. We are a multi-award-winning theatre company and we shall be embarking on nine month tour throughout the UK, performing three very different but challenging plays in primary schools.

Some of our productions go to theatres and we have an excellent name. Please apply on email office@tententheatre.co.uk

Thank you, Martin O'Brien

Dear Father,

LACY will be sharing their next meeting at St Paul's School, 7.00 pm, on Wednesday 20th January. A warm welcome is extended to all those working with young people in our parishes and also to young teenagers to come and hear about our plans for this year.

More information if required from paulinepayne@hotmail.com.

Many thanks for your interest, Pauline.

HEADS BEING HUNTED

(1) English Martyrs, Long Eaton.

Please contact 0115 9322896

(2) St Thomas More, Leicester.

Please contact 0116 270 6365

(3) Deputy Headship for St Benedicts, Derby

Please contact 01332 554295

(4) Deputy Director of Education for Diocese.

Please contact 01332 293833

ROTA FOR NEXT WEEKEND

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. 6.00 pm	Francis	Anne B
Sun. 10.30 am	John	Gerry
6.00 pm	TBA	Vincent

Dates for Diary

PEACE VIGIL

at St Edwards, Aylestone Road
Saturday 23rd January, 11.00 am
in association with
Aylestone Churches Together

RECITAL featuring Piano and Cello

by Fr Emmanuel Gribbin and Griff Wadkin
Thursday 28th January
Free entry (donations for Mary's Meals)
Refreshments served during the interval

Medjugorje Apostolate Retreat

29th - 31st January

at The Emmaus Retreat Centre
West Wickham, Kent
Contact Paul Spencer on 0116 2128175

ANNUAL RENEWAL OF MARRIAGE VOWS

with Bishop Patrick will take place at
Nottingham Cathedral on

Sunday 21st February, 3.00 pm
All are welcome.

Retrouvaille Weekend for Married Couples

11th-13th March

Full details from Clive and Kathy on
07887296983 or email
info@retrouvaille.org.uk

JIMMY CARTER - if you would like to read the full extract see <http://www.theage.com.au/federal-politics/losing-my-religion-for-equality-20090714-dk0v.html#ixzz3xJrkUmpl>

"Never measure the height of a mountain until you have reached the top. Then you will see how low it was."

Dag Hammarskjöld

YEAR OF MERCY

8th December 2015 - 20th November 2016

CHARITIES TO CONSIDER

PAX CHRISTI - working for peace in our world. Envelopes to support available at back of church.

SPUC - supporting the sanctity of life in the womb and of the very elderly and frail. Cards available at the back of church.

MARY'S MEALS - collecting boxes at the back of church.



Our Parish Doors of Mercy

at St Joseph's:

- (1) The Inner Porch Doors
- (2) The Door of the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Small posters, books & resources available in the Watermead Shop

at The Rosary: The Inner Porch Door

Please say a prayer for your particular charity each time you pass through the doors

Watermead shop

The "Old Stable" Centre

SHOP OPENING TIMES

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

Information from from 0116 220 7881 / 0
www.watermead-apostolate.com

THERAPIES - REFLEXOLOGY AVAILABLE

If you would like to know more about reflexology or to make an appointment contact our therapist:

Sharon on 0116 2120719