



# ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH, LEICESTER

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Dear People,

It has been a week for sitting down, moving on, going forward, taking stock and of incredible and absolutely incredible everyday events like rain, scoring a goal, winning a tennis match. Quite an ordinary week, really.

This coming week you must hit the ground running, especially getting out of bed, put on a face, get down to it, step up to the mark and draw a line in the sand.

Do you think and speak in these phrases and ones like them? "In this day and age", "At this moment in time", "Six of one and half a dozen of the other", "You've never seen anything like it (in all your life, optional extra)"?

I've heard such phrases from adults over the years, but never from children. When do children stop thinking for themselves and start to repeat the adult phrases? It seems to be a pressure adults feel that children don't. We wait for children to say what they are seeking words for - but we don't wait for adults. We leap into a hesitation, fill in the words, finish their sentence for them, say "I know exactly what you mean" (when they haven't finished speaking yet) so that we can talk instead of them.

How do you pray? Does God pressure you into rushing thoughts and words, or give you time to say exactly what you want to say? There is no rush with God, but we rush when saying prayers instead of praying prayers. No need to rush.

St Teresa of Avila sometimes could not go beyond the words "Our Father" because she was filled with the wonder of being able to talk to God. Is Our Lady pleased with the way we might rattle off our compliments to her "full of Grace", "blessed are you", "Mother of God"?

Does your prayer fill you with joy? If we could share your prayer would we be inspired? Are you inspired, filled with the spirit of God? Enjoy slow time with God. Jesus did. It's good to pray.

"At the end of the day, it's only half-time". What do you make of that? Does it matter? Words are wonderful, so is silence. Prayer is perfect.

God bless you, Fr. John

**10th July 2016 (Prayer Week 3)**

**"Apostleship of the Sea Sunday - prayers for our brave seafarers"**

## Mass Times and Intentions

### 15th 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)*

*for Moire & Maura, Dylan Jarrett, Thanksgiving,  
Terry Devlin, Leo Rebello*

### MONDAY 11th JULY

*(St Benedict, Patron of Europe)*

7.00 pm at St. Joseph's *for The Horan Family*

### TUESDAY 12th JULY

10.00 am at St. Joseph's *for The Hiles Family*

### WEDNESDAY 13th JULY

*(St Henry)*

10.00 am at St. Joseph's *for Family & Friends*

### THURSDAY 14th JULY

*(St Camillus de Lellis, Priest)*

10.00 am at St. Joseph's *for Tommie McGovern*

### FRIDAY 15th JULY

*(St Bonaventure, Bishop)*

7.00 pm at St. Joseph's *for Peter Burns & family*

### SATURDAY 16th JULY

*(Our Lady of Mount Carmel)*

9.30 am at The Rosary Church *for Michael Farmer*

### 16th SUNDAY OF YEAR (C)

(Saturday) 6.00 pm at St. Joseph's

*(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm)*

### SUNDAY 17th 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 Peter Lobo, Terry Devlin, Family Blessing*

### 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. (Library, Lourdes Garden, "Home from Home" Shop, Watermead Shop open at St Joseph's).

## Parish Diary This Week

### Monday 11th July

**QUESTION OF FAITH.** These evenings are so good. Thank you. Again we meet in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel after mass.

### Tuesday 12th July

**St JOSEPH'S TABLE** open today from 10.40 am - 3.30 pm. Hot and cold drinks and food (sandwiches, soup, home bakes, hot snacks, cream teas, cakes, salads) served throughout the day. Come and try!

**WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm**

### Wednesday 13th July

**St JOSEPH'S TABLE** open again today 10.40am-3.30 pm (for detail see Tuesday). **MEDITATION** in St Joseph's Pastoral Centre, 10.50 am.. All welcome.

**"TWILIGHT" RETREAT** tonight beginning at 7.00 pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel with quiet prayer, talks, reflections and music. The theme is *"The Church's Compassion"* and we should finish around 9.00 pm with a hot drink. Donation £2.

**WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm**

### Thursday 14th July

**PARISH OPEN DAY** - hot drinks in Coffee Shop after the morning service (library, Home from Home, Garden). All welcome.

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

**WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm**

### Friday 15th July

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

## Pilgrimage Suggestions for 2017

These are the most popular of the suggestions.

### LOURDES - mid May

7 days (approx £495) all travel, full board (18 people so far have expressed interest)

### ROME

**November** 7 days (approx £535) all travel, b&b (28 people so far have expressed interest)

### STRESA / LAKE MAGGIORE

**mid September** - dates when decided (approx. £595-£635 half board and all travel) Please let Fr John know and your preference as to travel by air or by coach (22 so far interested)

If we go by coach we can choose a dawn or early afternoon crossing and stay an overnight in France. Door to door sounds comfortable? More details in the letter in last week's Postbag'

## Prayer Box

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

Fabian, Christina, Declan, Jenny, Jonathan, Jennifer, Pat, Lina, Mary, Patrick, Clare, Annette, Chris & Cliff, Donald

Prayers for: Chris, Joy, Patrick, Fr Owen

The McCann family and all missing children

The peoples and countries of the world, especially the people of ZIMBABWE & THE USA



## Cheryl

Today makes her  
**First Holy Communion.**

We pray for her and the family

## POSTBAG

### AN INVITATION FROM BISHOP PATRICK

'Many the Gifts', Bishop Patrick will celebrate a Jubilee Mass at 11.00 am in St Barnabas' Cathedral on Saturday 3rd September, 2016, for chaplains, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, catechists, readers, teachers, musicians and all others who exercise any form of lay ministry in the Church throughout the Diocese. Let Fr John know if you would like to represent the parish.

Dear People,

Being a port chaplain is incredibly rewarding. We go on board to ask if you can help the seafarers with anything - phone cards to keep in touch with their family, a lift into town for them to purchase some items. We supply hats and gloves, warm clothing, rosaries and prayer cards, and help with getting to Mass, the temple or to a mosque.

Seafarers often want to talk about their families and we are privileged in being there to listen and share their lives for a brief time. The thanks we receive for our visits is humbling.

When you see the crew taking part in the Mass and the reverence with which they receive Holy Communion, it makes me realise how lucky I am to be able to go to mass any day of the week.

Peter Barrigan

"As long as there is life there is hope  
and with God's help  
all obstacles can be overcome"

A villager after a fire destroyed their homes  
in the Philippines (Fr John Keenan writes)

Last week's collection was safely  
counted and banked. **£1,128**

Thank you. Counters: Karen & Chris  
(Next week: Pauline & Christine)

### CHURCH ROTAS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. 6.00 pm	Edward	Caroline
Sun. 9.00 am	Bob	-
10.30 am	Gail	Steve / Sister Lelia
6.00 pm	TBA	Marie

## Dates for Diary

**TODAY Sunday 10th July**  
**Diocesan Pilgrimage at Padley**  
Details on notice boards

**Next "Twilight" Retreat**  
**Wednesday 13th July, 7-9.00 pm**  
See details in "Parish Diary"

### Rosary Rally

**Sunday 21st August, 3.00 pm**  
at Grace Dieu Manor, Whitwick  
Holy Mass, Procession, Blessing of the Sick  
Principal celebrant: Bishop Patrick

### 'Many the Gifts'

A Jubilee Mass at Nottingham Cathedral  
celebrated by Bishop Patrick  
**Saturday 3rd September**  
(See letter in Postbag)

### Wise Sayings from the Nations

A new broom sweeps clean, but an old broom knows the corners (Virgin Islands)

Deal with the faults of others  
as gently as your own (China)

Money buys everything  
except good sense (Yiddish)

## YEAR OF MERCY

8th December 2015 - 20th November 2016  
**The Corporal Works of Mercy**  
**in the Apostleship of the Sea**



### Feeding the hungry

Providing food for seafarers  
if supplies are short

### Sheltering the homeless

Providing accommodation in times of need

### Clothing the naked

Supplying warm clothing  
for seafarers from warmer climates

### Visiting the sick

Being alongside hospitalised seafarers

### Visiting those in prison

Seafarers imprisoned in a foreign country

### Burying the dead

Comforting crew members  
following the death of one of the crew

### Giving alms to the poor

Arranging cash assistance  
for abandoned seafarers

### Our Parish & local Doors of Mercy

at St Joseph's:

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

at The Rosary: The Inner Porch Door

The Diocesan Door in this area is  
at Holy Cross, Wellington Street, Leicester