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Dear People,

Are you proud of your people, your country, your Church, your homeland? I hope so. Are you saddened by those who spoil our images of ourselves by their prejudices and hatreds?

Yourself - are you aware of the faults you have, the animosities you bear, the dislikes you feel, besides the good you have in your love, loyalties, generosity, understanding?

Do others see you as you see yourself? I would guess those who love you see more good in you than you do, but that sometimes you dislike yourself as some others do.

This musing is caused by what we have seen happen in our beloved country and our much admired parliament in the last week.

Would you do to anyone what Gore and Johnson did to Cameron and then Gore did to Johnson? Would you stand firm as Corbyn has done or accept that your family/community see you as a liability?

Democracy is fine when we win, it is ruinous when we lose. We have seen that in the Middle East and its religious and political upheavals. The West thought it could impose democracy - impossible in a tribal or divided religious setting. People vote for their own - as we see the patterns.

Who expected immigrants and refugees and asylum seekers to be sent home last week? Many hateful people have made clear they did. We knew before the Referendum that years will pass before any social changes can happen. The only immediate effect, we were warned, would be economic. But the hate messages tell us of a poison in our society, and the political instability reminds us that our system depends on ambitions and cliques.

You and I would have to work hard to be accepted as candidates (ever tried it?) before we then asked the public to vote for us. I admire people who can take the insults, challenges, deceit, ignorance - and still are willing to serve.

Whatever we hope and plan for includes human nature - likings and loathings, loves and hatreds, loyalties and betrayals. We are watching it happen as the first fruits of Brexit. But it was all there before, simply hidden. Now it is open and Europe and the world watch. So does God. Will God bless us with a parliament of integrity?

Fr. John

3rd July 2016 (Prayer Week 2)
"All change, and more the same"

Mass Times and Intentions

14th 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 O'Connor, Sheila Jackson, John & Debra Berry,
Alec Hill, Elijah (John) Burchett, Tommie McGovern,
Winifred Connolly, The Grady Family*

MONDAY 4th JULY

(St Elizabeth of Portugal)

7.00 pm at St. Joseph's *for Angela McGovern*

TUESDAY 5th JULY

(St Anthony of Zaccaria, Priest)

10.00 am at St. Joseph's *for Susan Matthews*

WEDNESDAY 6th JULY

(St Maria Goretti)

10.00 am at St. Joseph's *for Celia Cates*

THURSDAY 7th JULY

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

FRIDAY 8th JULY

7.00 pm at St. Joseph's *for Sally Najeune & John Bawall*

SATURDAY 9th JULY

9.30 am at The Rosary Church

for Albert & Catherine Brown

15th SUNDAY OF YEAR (C)

(Saturday) 6.00 pm at St. Joseph's

(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm)

SUNDAY 10th 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 Moire & Maura, Dylan Jarrett, Thanksgiving

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 4th July

QUESTION OF FAITH. We meet in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel after mass to discuss Church and State. All welcome.

Tuesday 5th 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 to order on arrival. Entrance via the wooden gates at the top of the car park. A warm welcome awaits all. No advance booking necessary. *Note that parish facilities (Library, Home from Home shop, Garden, Watermead) will also be available during opening hours.*

WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm

CHOIR PRACTICE tonight in the parish hall - we try to plan again! Welcome.

Wednesday 6th 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. Quiet prayer, meditation, intercessions. All welcome.

WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm

Thursday 7th 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 8th July

THE MIRIAM PRAYER GROUP meet in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at 6.00 pm for faith-sharing, Scripture readings and the Rosary. All welcome.

Watermead

The "Old Stable" Centre
SHOP OPENING TIMES

Tues, Wed, Thur from 10.30 am-3.30 pm
Sat 5-6 pm & Sun 11.45 am-12.15 pm

Last week's collection was safely counted and banked. **£1,022**

Thank you. *Counters : June & John*
(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:

John Bondeau (RIP), Patrick Reilly (RIP),
David Rogers (RIP)

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

Prayers for: Chris, Joy, Patrick

The McCann family and all missing children

The peoples and countries of the world,
especially the people of BRITAIN

POSTBAG

Dear Friends,

Thank you to all who helped make the Garden Party such a pleasant and successful occasion. We raised **£345** for 'Let the Children Live'. Fr Peter and the children will be pleased.

Best wishes and thanks, again. Theresa

Dear People,

St Joseph's Table has made a very successful start and new possibilities are being explored to further expand the project. If any would like to join the teams they would be most welcomed. No experience is necessary as full training will be given. We just need volunteers who are able to commit to a few regular hours one or two days a week and would enjoy being part of this hospitality project.

Come on Tuesday/Wednesday, sample the experience, meet the rest of the team, and see whether this is something you would like to become involved in.

Yours, Chris and the Team.

Dear Everyone,

The Lake Maggiore is the most beautiful of the Italian lakes. We are planning to stay in Stresa, one of the lovely little towns along the lake, rich in the story of Blessed Antonio Rosmini and the work of the Institute of Charity to which I belong. We can go by coach or by air and the cost should be approximately £595-£635 (half board and all travel). Please let me know if you are interested for September 2017, and your preference for coach (glorious Alpine scenery in Southern France, Switzerland and Northern Italy) or air.

Nine days by coach, six by air. Fr John

260 Club

This Months Winners!

No.199 wins £75; No.241 wins £50;
No.50 wins £50; No.42 wins £50;
No.145 wins £35.

CHURCH ROTAS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. 6.00 pm	Francis	Ann B
Sun. 9.00 am	Alan	-
10.30 am	Ann	Gerry / Sister Lelia
6.00 pm	TBA	Vincent

Dates for Diary

A Musical Concert

Sunday 3rd July, 7.00 pm
at St Theresa's Church, Birstall,
with live orchestra and performances by
English Martyrs Young Voices, Bishop Ellis Primary
School Choir & St Theresa's Church Choir
Tickets on door: £5 (£3) Family £10
Proceed to the Sick & Retired Priests' fund

Celebrate: 9th-10th July

A Catholic Charismatic Weekend Conference at
Holy Family Catholic Academy, Cleethorpes
Details on notice boards

Diocesan Pilgrimage at Padley

Sunday 10th July

Details on notice boards

Next "Twilight" Retreat

Wednesday 13th July, 7-9.00 pm
Theme 'The Church's Compassion' (Fr John)
Begins in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel
here at St Joseph's. Suggested donation £2

Rosary Rally

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

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)

ROME AND ASSISI

June or September 9 days (approx £595)
all travel, half board

Also see Fr John's letter in 'Postbag'

YEAR OF MERCY

8th December 2015 - 20th November 2016
'Make us Instruments of Peace'



A decision on whether to
replace the UK's independent
nuclear weapons' system -
the Trident submarine fleet -
will be taken by the
Government later this year.

Would you like to share the work of
Pax Christi, Justice and Peace and similar
organisations? At least, to pray?
After mass today leaflets about human security
and military security will be available.

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