



# ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH, LEICESTER

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Dear People,

Is there anyone in the world with whom you would like to change places? A neighbour, a parishioner, someone at school or at work, in another country, in another job?

Is there anyone in the world who would be willing to change places with you? A refugee, an asylum seekers, someone who is homeless, someone in terrible debt?

My guess is that many more people would be willing to take your place than you would choose to change with. What does that suggest? That those of us who can read are already more blessed than those who are blind, have no (chance of) education, and we have people around us who love and support us.

In our parish prayer box each week are the names of people who have asked for prayer, of countries where we know there is suffering (reminding us there is suffering in every country) and of those who have died - we pray for them and their families. Do you feel taken out of yourself when you pray for others?

I used to notice that grownups' conversations were full of grumbles and criticisms. That's how it was. They saw so much that was wrong about people and about the world. Then someone would say "We should count our blessings" and they all agreed - but nobody ever did! Having said in detail what was wrong - politicians, gossipers, greedy people, bossy people, other women, other men - they didn't count the blessings, but only said they should count them.

When I became a teacher and priest I discovered from the youngsters that they did not like adults' grumpy way of looking at the world. Do we all grow into grumblers and criticisers? Couldn't we just as easily grow into counters of blessings? Try it, especially in your prayer, thanking God for all the good you see in people, in countries, society, races, the world. In any one day do you count more blessings or grumbles? Are you easy to live with, to work with?

Try the circles of prayer: inner circle, family and friends; outer circle, country and people; outside circle, peoples of the world, especially . . .

God bless us with the love to love everyone.

Fr. John

**22nd May 2016 (Prayer Week 4)**  
"The Holy Trinity - a community of love"

## Mass Times and Intentions

### FEAST OF THE HOLY TRINITY

(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 Mario & Nascimenta Rodrigues, Betty O'Gorman,  
Jack Laing, Family & Friends

### MONDAY 23rd MAY

7.00 pm at St. Joseph's for John Kenzie

### TUESDAY 24th MAY

(Our Lady Help of Christians: Australia and New Zealand)

10.00 am at St. Joseph's for Gerry & John Sweeney

### WEDNESDAY 25th MAY

(St Mary Magdalen of Pazzi, St Bede the Venerable,  
St Gregory VII, Pope)

10.00 am at St. Joseph's for Doreen Tobin

### THURSDAY 26th MAY

(St Philip Neri, Priest)

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

### FRIDAY 27th MAY

(St Augustine of Canterbury)

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

### SATURDAY 28th MAY

9.30 am at The Rosary Church for Holy Souls

### FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

(Saturday) 6.00 pm at St. Joseph's  
(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm)

### SUNDAY 29th MAY

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 Bill & Celia Hayes, Nora & Michael Gallagher

### 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.

## Parish Diary This Week

### Monday 23rd May

**QUESTION OF FAITH.** Yes, we meet as usual in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel following evening mass. All questioners and answerers welcome.

### Tuesday 24th May

**CHOIR PRACTICE** tonight in the parish hall.

### Wednesday 25th May

**MEDITATION** in St Joseph's Pastoral Centre, 10.50 am. Quiet prayer, meditation, intercessions. All welcome.

### Thursday 26th May

**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.

### Friday 27th May

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

## PARISH EVANGELISATION

The diocese is launching a new parish resource called 'The Gift' - a life in the Spirit. The diocese plans to run a small training course (22nd October and 5th November) at Trinity School, Nottingham. Each day will begin at 10.00 am and finish at 3.00 pm. Every parish is invited to send representatives. If you would like to be involved please tell Fr John.

## Watermead

The "Old Stable" Centre  
First Holy Communion Gifts / Cards, resources, etc.

### SHOP OPENING TIMES

Tues, Wed, Thur from 10.30 am-3.30 pm

Sat 5-6 pm & Sun 11.45 am-12.15 pm

Information from 0116 220 7881 / 0

What we dream alone  
remains a dream;  
What we dream with others  
can become a reality.

Last week's collection was safely counted and banked. **£1,096**  
Thank you. *Counters: Pauline & Christine*  
(Next week: Tony)



## Prayer Box



Please pray for:  
**Families of the parish**  
**and our loved ones living and dead**  
**especially for those who have recently died:**

Mary Harding (RIP), Nick Reville (RIP),  
Colin McIntosh (RIP)

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

Fabian Sweeney, Christina Flynn, Declan,  
Jenny Aitken, Jonathan Lockwood, Jennifer Cox,  
Pat Aitken, Lina Lobo, Mary Rayner, Patrick, Clare,  
Christopher & Clifford Browne.

*Prayers for: Donald Burgess*

*The McCann family and all missing children*

*The peoples and countries of the world,  
especially the people of FRANCE & EGYPT*

## Postbag

Dear Parishioners,

'Home from Home' urgently needs good quality bric-a-brac, toiletries, summer clothing, shoes and sandals, unwanted Christmas gifts.

Thank you, Home from Home Ladies

Dear Fr John and Parishioners,

Thank you very much for your donation of £503 from the Children's Advent project and more recently, £270 for the Matamba pot sale.

Your continued generosity and support means a great deal to the children at Mother of Peace, as I'm sure Lynn will have told you following her recent visit.

With best wishes, Linda Edwards, (MOP)

Dear People,

We had a good meeting about our Parish Television Project. I phoned Bishop Patrick to let him know. He is very interested, having been planning a similar project in his parish at Stourbridge before he became our bishop.

Concerns were raised and answered. We are reassured that because the church is a public building safeguarding is not directly an issue. However, no one will be "on camera" who does not wish to be. This applies particularly to those regularly in the sanctuary area - our children, altar servers, readers and Fr John.

Please let Fr John know in writing if you have any questions, concerns or objections (such issues need to be recorded) and these will be given careful consideration.

This is an exciting venture and we look forward to co-operating with parishes around the country who have already begun and who plan to begin.

Leaflets are on the notice boards and our parish website has a dedicated page with links to all aspects of the project. Fr John.

## ROTA FOR NEXT WEEKEND

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. 6.00 pm	Francis	Sal
Sun. 10.30 am	Theresa	Gerry / Sister Lelia
6.00 pm	TBA	Vincent

## Dates for Diary

### Faiths' Support Group for Refugees and Asylum Seekers:

The next meeting is: **Tuesday 24th May**  
at the Friends' Meeting House, Queens Road  
Contact: awmosley@ntlworld.com

### Vocations Weekend for Women

"God's Call in my Life"

**27th - 29th May**, Broadstairs, Kent.  
More information on [www.fcjsisters.org](http://www.fcjsisters.org)

### Life in the Spirit - Good News

A morning of friendship and faith

**Saturday 28th May, 10 am - 12 noon**  
Blessed Sacrament Church LE3 1JS. Welcome

### Raising the Roof for LOROS

300 Strong Choir - Singing for Fun

**Sunday 29th May**

De Montfort Hall, Leicester, 2.30 & 7.30 pm  
Telephone 0116 2333111

### Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham

**Sunday 19th June**

led by Bishop Patrick (details on notice board)

### Divine Mercy Pilgrimage in Poland

**5th -12th September**

Led by Fr Paul Lloyd. (Places still available).  
Contact Teresa 0116 2248350

## Pilgrimage Suggestions for 2017

These are still only suggestions, but people have expressed interest in all of them.

### LOURDES - mid September

7 days (approx £495) all travel, full board

### ROME

**May or June** 4 days (approx £395)  
all travel, half board

**November** 7 days (approx £535)  
all travel, b&b

### ROME AND ASSISI

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

## YEAR OF MERCY

8th December 2015 - 20th November 2016



### 'ADOPTION'

Why not consider  
adoption as part  
of your corporal  
works of mercy  
this year?

**FAITH IN FAMILIES** is our diocesan charity,  
placing children in loving homes and  
supporting the families. If you would like to  
know more, meetings are held at the Faith in  
Families' offices in West Bridgeford on  
the first Thursday of every month at 6.00 pm.  
Please contact Andrea Kelly on 0115 9558811  
or email [andrea.kelly@faithinfamilies.org](mailto:andrea.kelly@faithinfamilies.org).

### 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