



ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH, LEICESTER

St. Joseph's Church, Uppingham Road : The Rosary Church, Armadale Drive

Priest serving the parish : Father John Daley I.C.

Parish House, 12 Goodwood Road, Leicester LE5 6SG : Tel. 0116 241 5159

Email: stjoseph-leicester@ntlworld.com Website: www.stjoseph-leicester.btck.co.uk
(for Hall Bookings email: stjosephs-hall@hotmail.co.uk or ring the Parish House)

(Nottingham Roman Catholic Diocesan Trustees Registered Charity number 234064)

Watermead Apostolate, St. Joseph's, 12 Goodwood Road, Leicester LE5 6SG : Telephone 0116 220 7881

Sisters of St. Joseph, The Convent, Uppingham Road, Leicester LE5 6RA : Telephone 0116 241 6255

Schools : St. Paul's Comprehensive, Spencefield Lane, Leicester LE5 6HN : Telephone 0116 241 4057

and St. Joseph's Primary, Armadale Drive, Leicester LE5 1HF : Telephone 0116 241 6197

Dear People,

An invitation from Bishop Patrick to all young adults throughout the Nottingham Diocese.

"**Sunday 20 November 2016** is the Feast of Christ the King and National Youth Sunday, a time when we celebrate the contribution of young people to the life and mission of the Catholic Church; it is also the day when we thank God for the many graces and blessings received during the Jubilee Year of Mercy which then draws to a close.

"I would like to invite all young adults to the Closing Mass of the Year of Mercy in St Barnabas Cathedral at 6pm that day, where the music will be provided by the musicians and choir from Nottingham University Catholic Chaplaincy. I hope that there will be students from all of the universities throughout the diocese, and young adults from as many parishes as possible. So I ask you to be particularly generous in inviting other young adults to travel with you.

"I invite you to gather first for tea and cake in the Cathedral Hall at 4pm. This will give me an opportunity to meet you and spend some time with you before Mass. Two young people will be making short presentations about their experience of being in Poland this summer for World Youth Day with Pope Francis; there will be some workshops on how we can build on the legacy of the Jubilee of Mercy and CAFOD's Step into the Gap in Zimbabwe. I would welcome the chance to listen to what you would like to see happen for young adults in our diocese and to share with you some forthcoming events.

"At 5.30pm we will move into the Cathedral to practise the music and prepare for Mass, and afterwards you are again invited to the Cathedral Hall for light refreshments.

"I look forward to meeting you, and I would like to thank you for being an active member of your parish or chaplaincy community." *Bishop Patrick*

PS There will be a coach from St Joseph's Parish for all our young people and anyone who would like to go. Names, please, to Fr John, this week if possible.

God bless our young people, the future of the parishes and of the Church.

Fr. John

6th November 2016 (Prayer Week 4)
"The year is coming to an exciting end"

Mass Times and Intentions

32nd 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 Holy Souls, Terry Devlin, Jack Laing, Robert D'Souza, Francesco Magnolfi, John Hughes, Cassidy Family, Nelson Fernandes, Ian & Rani Smith & Baby Magnus

MONDAY 7th NOVEMBER

(St Willibrord)

7.00 pm at St. Joseph's *for Arthur & Sorca Bowley*

TUESDAY 8th NOVEMBER

(All Saints of Wales : Blessed John Duns Scotus)

10.00 am at St. Joseph's *for The Brady & Cassidy Families*

WEDNESDAY 9th NOVEMBER

(Dedication of the Lateran Basilica)

10.00 am Requiem Mass at St. Joseph's *for Rita Cuffy*

THURSDAY 10th NOVEMBER

(St Leo the Great, Pope)

10.00 am at St. Joseph's *for Peter Beadle*

FRIDAY 11th NOVEMBER

(St Martin of Tours, Bishop)

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

SATURDAY 12th NOVEMBER

(St Josaphat, Bishop)

No Service at the Rosary Church today

33rd SUNDAY OF YEAR (C)

(Saturday) 6.00 pm at St. Joseph's

(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm)

SUNDAY 13th NOVEMBER

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 Paul & Philomena Cronin, Sue Matthews, Mario Lanni, Jim Stretton

CONFESSIONS THIS WEEKEND SUNDAY 5.15 pm 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 - 4.30 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

Tuesday 8th November

St JOSEPH'S TABLE open today from 10.40 am - 3.30 pm. The usual all day breakfasts, homebakes, soups, puddings, etc. along with winter warmer specials. A lovely place to meet and a warm welcome awaits all who come. *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

Wednesday 9th November

St JOSEPH'S TABLE open again today 10.40am-3.30 pm (for detail see Tuesday). **MEDITATION** in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, 10.50 am. All welcome.

WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm

Thursday 10th November

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 11th November

THE MIRIAM PRAYER GROUP meet in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at 6.00 pm for faith-sharing and the Rosary. Welcome.

Watermead shop

Christmas cards now on sale ~ cribs & gifts diaries, calendars ~ plus many new items! See opening times above in "Parish Diary" More information from from **0116 220 7881/0**

Word for Today

New copies due to arrive soon.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION A reminder that the children will be looking at pages 6-9 of their workbook during their liturgy at next Sunday's mass (10.30 am).

260 Club

This Months Winners!

No.90 wins £75; No.174 wins £50;
No.112 wins £50; No.81 wins £50;
No.243 wins £35.

Last week's collection was safely counted and banked. **£907**
Thank you. *Counters: Pauline & Christine*
(Next week: TBA)

OPEN HANDS (the Leicester Charity which supports people living in financial poverty) needs a new van - the previous one stolen and returned badly damaged. If you would like to help them in their application for a new van visit their website and see if you how you can help by voting for the project (click on <https://community-fund.aviva.co.uk/voting/project/view/16-2357>)

Prayer Box

Please pray for:
Families of the parish
and our loved ones living and dead
especially for those who have recently died:
Rita Cuffy (RIP), Angela Pasquale (RIP)

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

Prayers for: John, Donald

The McCann family and all missing children

The peoples and countries of the world,
especially the people of
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
THE YAZIDIS, MOSUL, ALEPPO

POSTBAG

Dear Father John and all friends of Mother of Peace Community, Zimbabwe,

On behalf of the children at MOP, I'd just like to say a BIG thank you to the Zimbabwean Community who sang at St. Joseph's and provided food last weekend; also all who supported the event so generously. You made the day wonderful! Thank you to the parish for hosting. The total amount raised, including recent donations, comes to **£1157**. Fabulous! Believe me, the children at MOP are aware of our parish and friends. They pray for us as we do for them.

Many, many thanks, Lynn

Pilgrimages 2017

Malta 30th January - 6th February

One place has become available.

Lourdes 11th - 17th May

Some people have had to drop out of our Lourdes pilgrimage so places are available. At present we can keep the cost under £500 - to include all travel and full board at our good hotel, excellent value - but we need to know and confirm numbers. If you are considering coming please tell Fr John so that he can keep the option open for us.

Stresa & Lake Maggiore 17th-23rd August

We have made the first booking. The flight price was very good so that in spite of the sharp fall in the value of the pound we can still budget at the original price: £595 includes hotel at half board, flights and airport transfers. A few places are left.

Rome 17th - 23rd November.

(All places taken, waiting list started).

CHURCH ROTAS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. 6.00 pm	Clare	Sal
Sun. 9.00 am	Luke	-
10.30 am	Theresa	Gerry / Sister Lelia
6.00 pm	TBA	TBA

Dates for Diary

Cannons (aged 14 - 18 years)

Music, Prayer, Guest Speakers, Food at St Thomas More, Knighton, sponsored by the Diocesan Catholic Youth Service.

Friday 11th November, 7-9.00 pm.

Talk by Fr A Belsito

"Is morality a question of person taste or is there a universal morality?"

Saturday 12th November

at the Rosmini Centre, 10.30 am - 1.30 pm
Teas, coffees and shared table

Students from Birmingham Conservatoire are presenting a **WINTER CONCERT** at St Patrick's Church, Beaumont Leys LE4 2BD on Friday 18th November at 7 pm (£5 at door)

"TWILIGHT" RETREAT

Wednesday 30th November, 7 - 9.00 pm
Here at St Joseph's. Theme: "Reflect & Prepare"

Candlelight Carol Service

Our annual service in memory of loved ones in on **Wednesday 14th December** (7.15 pm) followed by seasonal Entertainment in the parish hall

YEAR OF MERCY

8th December 2015 - 20th November 2016
'God's Loving Mercy'



November is a traditional time of prayer in the Catholic Church for those who have died. Other Christian Churches seem puzzled by this prayer, seeing no need - our loved ones are with God, awaiting the Resurrection.

How do Catholics explain their prayer?

"Purgatory" is the first answer - an understanding that few people die ready or worthy enough to immediately be with God. They need to be purified of their sinfulness. This purification was imagined as being in a place apart from God - we are not yet worthy to be in God's presence. We on earth pray for our departed loved ones, making up for their failures, forgiving them their sins and failings - in union with God's forgiving love. Do we need to think of Purgatory as a place? There is no such reference in the Scriptures - though there is mention of prayer for the dead. "Purification" might be a better word to use, and the image is of our coming before a loving God, longing to accept the fullness of God's love but aware of being unworthy. God's purifying love forgives and heals, and prayer (our human love) unites with God's love - telling the Holy Souls that we love them and long for them to receive and accept the fullness of God's love. Pope Benedict speaks like this of Purgatory in his beautiful book "Jesus Christ".

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