

# ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH, LEICESTER

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Dear People,

Today is a double celebration of mission with our Catholic communities around the world 'Mission Sunday', and our Christian Churches in 'One World Week'. We pray for the peace of Christ and the truth of the Gospel to spread everywhere.

The Church has been on mission since its foundation on the feast of Pentecost in the year of the Lord's death and resurrection. We recall the apostles filled with the Holy Spirit, sharing their faith in the risen Christ with their fellow Israelites.

That mission has continued for nearly 2,000 years and we think with gratitude of the men and women who have left all to follow Christ and take the faith throughout the world. But we also feel a similar gratitude for the good men and women who never went anywhere except home, church, workplace, neighbourhood, but who shared their faith and inspired others by their quiet sincerity and support. We all have known saints.

On World Mission Day we recognise, anew, the wonderful truth that God includes all of us in the Church's mission . . . and we remember all who have inspired us by their goodness, dedication and example.

A tiny example. A friend of mine, some years ago, was given a fairly large sum of money as a gift. It was near Christmas time. He thought of people in the neighbourhood and the Church who would be glad of a little help. One evening he went around the homes and put envelopes through the letterboxes. He wasn't caught and a long time later he told me of how grateful he was that he could do something for God and people. That's Gospel.

So is this. In our parish was a family where there simply was no money for now. No debt, no long-term worry, but there was nothing. Our good man told God that he would never pray for money but he could do with a little help. He came home and found a brown envelope. It was a tax rebate from last year! He was thrilled and so was I when he told me and of how he was going to share what God and the Inland Revenue had given him. Share the joy and fun.

Fr. John God bless us,

23rd October 2016 (Prayer Week 2) "The Gospel is lived then spoken"

### Mass Times and Intentions 30th 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) Pat O'Halloran, Jack Laing, Family Blessing, Mick Beatty, Eileen McCarthy, John O'Connor, Michael Staples

### **MONDAY 24th OCTOBER**

(St Anthony claret, Bishop) 7.00 pm at St. Joseph's for Sheila Jackson

### **TUESDAY 25th OCTOBER**

(Six Welsh Martyrs & Companions) 10.00 am Requiem Mass at St. Joseph's for Julia Suarez Rodriguez

#### WEDNESDAY 26th OCTOBER

(St Chad: St Cedd) 10.00 am at St. Joseph's for Ariela Kubavat, Kerel & Maria (Wedding Anniversary)

### THURSDAY 27th OCTOBER

10.00 am at St. Joseph's for David Rogers

#### FRIDAY 28th OCTOBER

(St Simon, St Jude - Apostles) 7.00 pm at St. Joseph's for Sean Grady

### **SATURDAY 29th OCTOBER**

9.30 am at The Rosary Church for The McGuive Family

#### 31st SUNDAY OF YEAR (C)

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

#### **SUNDAY 30th OCTOBER**

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 Eileen McCarthy, Chris McGuiven, Valentino (Thanksgiving)

### BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

open every day this week from 10.30 am - 7.00 pm.

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

**Mission Sunday and One World Week TODAY at Mass** we celebrate the Missions of the Catholic church around the world. There will be a retiring collection after each mass.

**TODAY at 4 pm** We shall also be celebrating One World Week in union with our local Christian Churches as we seek together to bring Christ to our world. Please come to welcome our Christian sisters and brothers.

### 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 25th October** 

**St JOSEPH'S TABLE** open today from 10.40 am - 3.30 pm. Hot and cold drinks and food (winter menus coming soon!). 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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MEETING tonight in St Joseph's church. All parents with children wishing to prepare for Holy Communion are invited. 7.00 - 7.30 pm. David will be heading the programme, again, this year. Last year was very good.

**Wednesday 26th October** 

St JOSEPH'S TABLE open again today 10.40 am-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 27th October** 

PARISH OPEN DAY - hot drinks in Coffee Shop after the morning service (library, Home from Home, Garden). All welcome. "KNITT AND KNATTER" Meet after mass. Please feel welcome to join them.

WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm

Friday 28th October

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

**CAFOD** Our final collection amounted to £661.50. Thank you - and we know that some people sent directly to CAFOD. Thank you, all.

Last week's collection was safely counted and banked. £1,160
Thank you. Counters: John & June
(Next week: Karen & Chris)

**Angels Charity** Cake and Samosa sale in the Coffee Shop following the 10.30 am mass today - to support refugees in Leicester.

# # Prayer Vox

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:

Fr Eamon O'Hara, Margaret, Chris, Emma, Angie,

The McCann family and all missing children

The peoples and countries of the world, especially the people of IRAQ, SYRIA, THE PEOPLE OF ABERFAN

### MISSIO (THE RED BOXES)

Anthony has written a very nice letter to thank the parish for our support. So far he has been able to bank £500 from our red boxes and speaks of how glad he is to serve the parish.

Such compliment, too, for Carmen who has been very hard-working in making everything go smoothly.

And we are grateful to Anthony and Carmen for helping us to support the Church's missions.

Fr John

### **POSTBAG**

Dear Fr John.

A local community midwife is asking the churches if people can donate baby items to vulnerable women in Leicestershire, women who have nothing and who are fleeing domestic violence, human trafficking, are homeless or seeking asylum. If anyone can help please contact Vicky on 07460493226 or email me at vctallen@yahoo.com to arrange collection.

Anything would be a great help and the women are grateful for whatever we can do.

Yours sincerely, Vicky

PS Please contact Vicky directly. Do not bring items for the mothers to our churches. Fr John

"I lost so many friends when I became homeless. People hear the word 'homeless' and think 'Dirty, on the street, asking for money'. A homeless man showed me how to survive on the street. He died homeless. He never told his family he was homeless. He had continued sending money back, but never returned himself because he felt ashamed that he had finished his life in this way." (Anon)

### Watermeao 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

### CHURCH ROTAS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

 Sat. 6.00 pm
 Kath
 Ann B

 Sun. 9.00 am
 Alan

 10.30 am
 Gail
 Steve / Sister Lelia

 6.00 pm
 TBA
 Vincent

### Dates for Diary

### **Mother of Peace Event** Sunday 30th October

The Zimbabwean Community choir will sing here at our **10.30 am mass** and afterwards the community is providing lunch for everyone in St Joseph's Hall. We hope to have a short film show and talk. All welcome! Everyone welcome! All proceeds for the AIDS

Orphans at MOP Community Zimbabwe.

The children have had a tough year, sometimes hungry because of the drought, and have lost many friends, as workers have had to be sent away without wages because of lack of funds. Please help us to help them, as you have done so many times before.

### TEA DANCE FOR ALZHEIMER'S

at St Patrick's Centre, Beaumont Leys Lane, LE4 2BD **Sunday 30th October**, *2-5.00 pm* 

Karl Boettcher Dance Band. Admission £5 (on door)

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.

"We must be global Christians with a global vision because our God is a global God"

John Stott

### Pilgrimages 2017

Lourdes Note change of date
11th - 17th May: (approx.£525)

All travel and full board at the hotel. We can now book our flights. Please give Fr John your name as on your passport and deposit of £200

**Stresa & Lake Maggiore** Note change of date 17th-23rd August (by air).

Includes all travel, hotel (at HB), <u>approx</u>.**£595**. (This is better for us - Fr John thought August was out of reach. The hotel is lakeside!)

Rome 17th - 23rd November.

Includes travel, 4 star hotel (B&B), <u>approx</u>. £535 (All places taken, waiting list started).

<u>Please note that with the continuing fall in the value</u> of the pound we cannot be certain of final prices

# YEAR OF MERCY 8th December 2015 - 20th November 2016 'TRAVELLING PEACE ICON'



"O, risen Christ, you breathe your Holy Spirit on us and tell us 'Peace be yours', opening our hearts to your peace - letting it penetrate the harsh and rocky ground of our hearts . . ."

Above is the opening of the prayer that accompanies the Pax Christi Icon in St Joseph's.

The icon was made for Pax Christi in the

Monastery of St John near Jerusalem. Cards of the Icon are at the back of our two churches.

# 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