



**CHRIST
IS RISEN**

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH, LEICESTER

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Dear People,

We discussed installing a camera in church at several open parish meetings. Misgivings were expressed but the general voice was very much in favour. The installation cost was reasonable but the running monthly costs were an important consideration. Bishop Patrick was in favour (he was considering the same at his Stourbridge parish before he became our bishop) and our cathedral in Nottingham was having discussions with the same firm. Televising our parish mass, services and celebrations - what a blessing that would be for the elderly, the housebound, the sick at home.

Fr Jim Burke in Spalding is a good friend. Their parish was also considering then came the breakthrough: a simpler system, less expensive, no monthly running fees and the streaming would allow everyone to receive via the parish YouTube channel available through various mediums - mobile phones, ipads, computers, television, etc. It has gone well at Spalding and in a short while it will happen here - perhaps in time for Bishop Patrick's visit for Confirmation, the whole parish able to share the evening by being present, or by watching and praying at home. What a good start and what a good celebration for the 50th anniversary of our St Joseph's church.

The parish is 80 years old next year and lovely Watermead Apostolate Centre at the top of the car park is the original church. Some of our elderly were married there. Some of our less elderly were baptised there. Then came the church hall which served as hall and church until 1968 when the present church was blessed and opened.

Fr Leahy was the principal priest in those developing years. I wish I had met him, but he had returned home to Co. Kerry before I came to the diocese in 1990. He had wonderful support from the people of the parish who speak warmly and admiringly of him. We shall celebrate his memory and the 50 years of the church in ways that you might suggest - anniversary mass, parish buffet party, organ recitals, etc. Please make your suggestions and we shall choose together.

God bless us, Fr. John

PS CONFIRMATION Dear Young People, please read my letter to you over the page. Important.

29th April 2018 (Prayer Week 1)
"In the beginning was the word ... Word"

Mass Times and Intentions

5th SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

(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 Phil Keely, Declan Moloney, John Hook,
John Sellaars, David Leyshon & family

MONDAY 30th APRIL

(St Pius V, Pope)
7.00 pm at St. Joseph's for Children in the Womb

TUESDAY 1st MAY

(St Joseph the Worker)
10.00 am at St. Joseph's for Holy Souls

WEDNESDAY 2nd MAY

(St Athanasius, Bishop)
10.00 am at St. Joseph's for Mary Reilly

THURSDAY 3rd MAY

(St Philip & St James, Apostles)
10.00 am at St. Joseph's for John Lawrenson

FRIDAY 4th MAY

(The English Martyrs)
7.00 pm at St. Joseph's for Family & Friends

SATURDAY 5th MAY

9.30 am at The Rosary Church for Family Blessing

6th SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

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

SUNDAY 6th 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 Peg & Dave (WA), John Lawrenson

CONFESSIONS EACH WEEK

SATURDAY & SUNDAY 5.15 pm at St. Joseph's
(in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel)

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

open every day this week from 10.30 am - 6.30 pm.

ROOF REPAIRS AT ST JOSEPH'S This coming week the work continues on the canopy linking the church with the house and so access to the garden will be periodic, dependent on when the men are working. **For your own safety please do keep observant and do not enter the garden whilst workmen are at work.**

The Parish on Sundays



Hot (and cold) drinks after mass on Sunday mornings at both our churches. (The Parish Library, Lourdes Garden, Watermead Shop open at St Joseph's).

Parish Diary This Week

Tuesday 1st May

St JOSEPH'S TABLE open today from 10.40 am - 3.30 pm (2.45 pm last serving of special menu of week - see details below). *Parish library also open.*

WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm

CHOIR PRACTICE tonight, 7.30 pm.

Wednesday 2nd May

St JOSEPH'S TABLE open again today 10.40am-3.30 pm (for detail see Tuesday). Our **Home from Home** shop is also open today from 1 - 3.00 pm.

MEDITATION in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, 10.50 am. Quiet prayer, meditation, intercessions. All welcome.

WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm

Thursday 3rd May

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

WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Meeting for parents and children 7.00 pm in the church.

Friday 4th May

THE MIRIAM PRAYER GROUP meet at 6.00 pm for faith sharing and Rosary. All welcome, in church or chapel.

St Joseph's Table

This Week's Specials

Soup - Minestrone soup

Lunchtime specials - Fishcakes

served with potatoes & fresh vegetables

(Please come before 2.45 pm to avoid disappointment)
Quiche of the week & Salad, Sandwiches, etc.

Dessert - Peach Cobbler

(served with custard, cream, ice-cream)

Watermead shop OPENING TIMES

Tues, Wed, Thur from 10.30 am-3.30 pm
Sun 11.45 am-12.15 pm

Information from 0116 220 7881 / 0
www.watermead-apostolate.com

Bereavement Support

Depression, Anxiety, Stress, PTSD

For Help and Support, call David,
a qualified and registered Therapist.

Tel: 0116 318 3185 Mob: 07591 308 287

For further information, or for an initial discussion,
to hear how he can help

Prayer Box

Please pray for:

Families of the parish

and our loved ones living and dead

especially for those who have recently died:

Kath Trotman (RIP), John Timson (RIP),

Alfie Evans (RIP)

Fabian, Declan, Jenny, Jonathan,
Jennifer, Pat, Mary, Anna, Patrick, Olven

Prayers for: Marie, Mary

The McCann family and all missing children

The peoples and countries of the world,
especially NORTH & SOUTH KOREA,
NORTH & SOUTH SUDAN, VENEZUELA

POSTBAG

Dear Parishioners,

My name is Luke O'Halloran and I am a 6th form student at St Paul's. Every two years our headteacher, Mr Lockyer, runs a fundraising trip to Ghana and the aim is to raise money to fund facilities there. In June twenty-two 6th form students will be making the trip and our aim is to raise £50,000 to help with facilities for a school and a college of education.

As part of the fundraising two of us are selling 'Team Ghana 2018' wrist bands, priced at £1 each. Fr John has kindly allowed us to sell these wrist bands after mass and we would appreciate it if you were able to support this good cause.

Thank you and God bless you, Luke

Holy Communion Meeting

There will be a meeting for all Parents and children taking their First Holy Communion this year, on

Thursday 3rd May at 7.00pm in the Church.

Please let David know if you are not able to make it.

You can contact him on 07591308287. Thank you

Confirmation 2018

Dear Young People,

Bishop Patrick is coming to St Joseph's on **Tuesday 26th June** for the Sacrament of Confirmation. I am glad you want to be confirmed and hope you accept the need to prepare yourself well and to understand what the blessing means for you and your family.

We are going to have a day away with young people of other parishes on **Sunday 13th May** (see the box below, "HIDDEN TREASURES") and we shall have our own parish preparation programme.

Be certain to share fully in the preparation, helping yourself and the others to understand what being a good Christian is. Do come to mass each week to share faith with the people with the parish who will be praying for you and with you.

Please write me a letter during this week to say why you are pleased to be confirmed and give it to me during the week or next weekend. Thank you.

God bless you, Fr John

Dorian Bernadette

Today makes her First Holy Communion.

We pray for her and the family.

Dates for Diary

Charismatic Renewal Day

Saturday 5th May

with Bishop Patrick and Ros Powell

at Our Lady of Lincoln (10.00 am - 4 pm).

We may be able to book a coach if the numbers justify.

MARCH FOR LIFE

Saturday 5th May

Coaches from Nottingham, Loughborough, Leicester.

Tickets **£15, £10** (unwages/students), **£7.50** (children)

Details on www.marchforlife.co.uk and from

Francisca Martinez on 07943 711 549

francisca@sicamartinez.plus.com

Beauvale Diocesan Pilgrimage

in honour of St John Houghton & St Robert Lawrence

Sunday 6th May

begins at Beauvale Priory at 3.15 pm

(details on poster)

World Communications Day

Sunday 13th May

Retiring collection for work of Church Communication

Parish Pilgrimages 2018

Two rooms still available for

STRESA & ITALIAN LAKES

16th-22nd August

'Good News for the East Midlands' is a fundraising book for our diocesan **Retired Priests' Appeal**. The book outlines the history of Christianity in the English East Midlands from its beginnings in the 4th century until the Reformation in the 16th century and becomes the story of the Diocese of Nottingham from the 19th century until now. The book is available in the Watermead Shop (or ask Fr John) at the special price of **£16** (Recommended retail price £20).



"HIDDEN TREASURES"

A Retreat Day for those preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation and for those of

all ages who have already celebrated the Sacrament and would like to journey onwards with us sharing their Faith!

SUNDAY 13th May 2018

"Our Emmaus Journey - where God Reveals Himself"

TOPSTONES CAMPSITE & ACTIVITY CENTRE

Cold Newton, Nr. Tilton on the Hill, LE7 9FH.

A day of "Activities, Faith, Fun and Food." 10.30 a.m. - 5.00 p.m.

£3.00 per person (which will include hot drinks and biscuits!)

Bring a packed lunch - outdoor clothing and footwear,

i.e., waterproof and wellies if forecast looking wet!

Celebration of Mass at 4.00 p.m. with Fr. Simon Gillespie - Music shared with LACY Band.

LACY will provide a coach, at a small cost, from Leicester if numbers demand!

Contact us by Friday 4th May if you are requesting transport!

paulinepayne@hotmail.com or iancardwell50@hotmail.com

BE MOTIVATED! GET INVOLVED! Looking forward to hearing from YOU!

CHURCH ROTAS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. 6.00 pm	Claire	Cecilia
Sun. 9.00 am	John	-
10.30 am	Gail	Anne G / Sister Lelia
6.00 pm	TBA	Vincent

Children's Liturgy None next weekend

Last week's collection was safely counted and banked. **£1,065**

Thank you. Counters: Gail & Keith
(Next week: Sarah & Co)