

# ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH, LEICESTER

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Dear People,

We welcome Bishop Patrick to our parish - his first visit. He will feel at home with us, then, on the 26th of this month he will be here again for the Sacrament of Confirmation and there will be chance to speak with him once more.

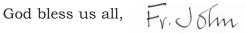
It must be difficult for a bishop to make time to visit all the parishes in the diocese, and ours is a big one - Notts/Derbys/Leics/Lincs. He has many commitments, national and international, in his position in the hierarchy, besides his local care of the diocese. We are glad he could make time to visit us today.

Four of our girls will be making their first Holy Communion - Cristina, Lucy, Michelle, Sophia, and Bishop Patrick will share the happiness of the families, as shall we all.

Last weekend the Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist from around the county were here for a day of prayer and reflection, part of their dedicated service in their parishes where they take communion to the sick at home or in hospital and nursing and care homes, besides assisting the priest at mass. It was a glorious day, over 160 came, and many of them commented how welcome they felt, how at home. Our people were perfect hostesses and hosts, the garden looked lovely, the church and Blessed Sacrament Chapel were quiet places for prayer, the hall and garden fine gathering places for conversation.

Time and again I am told how blessed I am to be at St Joseph's, how alive a parish it is, how open to welcome everyone, how many people are involved in all that goes on - St Joseph's Table, Home from Home, Open Hands, hospitality, music and choirs, childrens' liturgy, SVP, maintenance of church and hall, our Watermead Centre and shop - and I admit to feeling very blessed. I watch it all happen with admiration and just keep saying "Thank you".

I'm glad that Bishop Patrick can share my gratitude today for all the good that happens here.



17th June 2018 (Prayer Week 3) "The mustard seed in every good life"

## Mass Times and Intentions 11th SUNDAY OF YEAR (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 Sheila Kelly, Celia Cates, Lucy & family, H Gomes

### **MONDAY 18th JUNE**

7.00 pm at St. Joseph's for Children in the Womb

### **TUESDAY 19th JUNE**

(St Romuald)

10.00 am at St. Joseph's for John & Teresa Norwell (50)

### WEDNESDAY 20th JUNE

(St Alban)

10.00 am at St. Joseph's for Vincent Kelly & family

### **THURSDAY 21st JUNE**

(St Aloysius Gonzaga) 10.00 am at St. Joseph's for Joe Gallagher

### FRIDAY 22nd JUNE

(St John Fisher: St Thomas More) 7.00 pm at St. Joseph's for Maura Burns

### **SATURDAY 23rd JUNE**

(St Etheldreda)

9.30 am at The Rosary Church for Mr George

#### BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

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

### **SUNDAY 24th JUNE**

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)

Maura Burns, Ashley (Confirmation), Patrick Bishop

### 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.

## 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).



An Invitation to all . . .

Come into the coffee shop and hall after the 10.30 am mass to meet and have a word with Bishop Patrick and share a light buffet lunch.

Welcome, everyone!

## Parish Diary This Week

**Tuesday 19th June** 

St JOSEPH'S TABLE is closed this week but the Coffee Shop will be open to those who come, offering hot/cold drinks and light refreshments (sandwiches, soup, etc.) from 11.00 am - 2.30 pm. Cost will be by donation to the "Day for Life" charity - see Fr John's letter in "Postbag" (Parish library, Garden, Home from Home are also open.)

WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm

**CHOIR PRACTICE** tonight, 7.30 pm.

### Wednesday 20th June

St JOSEPH'S TABLE is closed this week but the Coffee Shop will be open again as on Tuesday. St Joseph's Table team will be back next week. (Parish library, Garden, Home from Home are open today, as yesterday.)

**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 21st June**

<u>PARISH OPEN DAY</u> - hot drinks in Coffee Shop after the morning service (Library, and Garden are also open). All welcome.

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### Friday 22nd June

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

Last week's collection was safely counted and banked. £1,004 \*(Special RASH Collection £93)

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

\*RASH stands for our regular giving for Leicester's Refugees, Asylum Seekers, Homeless.

### CHURCH ROTAS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Sat. 6.00 pm Sun. 9.00 am 10.30 am 6.00 pm	Readers Edward John Theresa TBA	Eucharistic Ministers Cecilia - Steve / Sister Lelia Vincent
Children's		None next week

# Prayer Box P

Please pray for:

Families of the parish and our loved ones living and dead.

Fabian, Declan, Jenny, Jonathan, Chris Jennifer, Pat, Mary, Anna, Patrick, Olven Fr Stephen

Prayers for:

Kath & Silvio, Nuala, Patrick, Brendan

The McCann family and all missing children

The peoples and countries of the world, especially YEMEN, CENTRAL AFRICA REPUBLIC

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## POSTBAG



Dear Father.

This year the Day for Life will focus on all those who are suffering or have survived human trafficking and modern slavery. It provides an opportunity to pray, reflect and to choose the ways in which action, as well as practical and emotional support, can ensure the dignity of human life is upheld at every stage of a person's life.

As Pope Francis has said, "The trade in human beings violates the God-given dignity of so many of our brothers and sisters and constitutes a true crime against humanity."

Thus begins a letter from Bishop John Sherrington about today's prayer. There will be a retiring collection for the cause, to be repeated next week as we have only just had the information. Please take one of the cards 'Day for Life' from the back of the church and read how we might be able to help.

Thank you. God bless you, Fr John

Dear Fr John,

May I once again invite any of the people of St Joseph's to help form support groups at Foxton Grange where the residents would truly appreciate regular friendly visits.

Sincerely, Phil (Chaplain at the Grange) PS Ask Fr John

Dear Fr John,

Thank you for last week's full letter on the Irish Referendum on Abortion and for reminding us of the sacredness of life. Thank you for mentioning Bernadette Smythe of Precious Life and her reminder of Pope Benedict's words: "The truth is not determined by majority vote."

How do we pray for people to recognise the sanctity of life in all its stages and ages. For us who believe in God it is our responsibility to carry faith into every aspect of our life. What a world we could have if we all worked for the common good of humanity. At times it seems an awful world with what we hear - crime, wars, hunger, refugees, broken lives, etc.

If only we knew how to share our faith in God with everyone without preaching at them.

Yours sincerely, Bernie

## Cristina, Lucy, Michelle & Sophia

Today make their First Holy Communion.

We pray for them and their families.

# Dates for Diary

### HAKAYA BAND from Bethlehem

at St Paul's Catholic School Theatre

Wednesday 27th June at 7 pm

Tickets are £6 for adults £3 for under 16's,
available from the School Office

Full details on notice board or 0116 2414057
or from solooskan@st-pauls.leicester.sch.uk

### Nottingham Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes Monday 16th – Friday 20th July

For more details contact Fr. Gregory Tobin (Pilgrimage Director) gregorytobin@btinternet.com or contact Joe Walsh Tours 0161 820 8790 (official Diocesan booking agent). See notice boards.

### Diocesan Pilgrimage to Rodsley Saturday 24th June

Full details on notice boards

## DIOCESAN VOCATIONS TEAM INVITATION 'COME AND SEE' DAY OF DISCERNMENT

Saturday 7th July. More information from Fr Paul Newman: office@ourladyandstedward.org or telephone him on: 07941326387

### Diocesan Pilgrimage to Padley Saturday 15th July

Full details on notice boards

### Rosary Rally

at Mount St Bernard's Abbey **Sunday 26th August**, 2.00 pm

Full details to follow

### → Parish Pilgrimages 2019

### MALTA, End of January/beginning of February

7 nights £450 (Tuesday to Tuesday or Friday to Friday) and 10 nights £565 (Tuesday to Friday) to include all travel and our excellent 4 star Preluna (29 people booked so far)

**LOURDES** in May (10 booked already)

## ASSISI with visits to FLORENCE, PISA, SIENA

September 19th-26th (32 booked already)

**ROME** 15th-21st November

PS not everyone has yet paid the £200 deposit for this November 2018 (9th-15th) Please see Fr John immediately to confirm you are coming.

### **Bereavement Support**

Depression, Anxiety, Stress, PTSD

For Help and Support, call David, a qualified and registered counsellor. Tel: 0116 318 3185 Mob: 07591 308 287 For further information, or for an initial discussion, to hear how he can help

# Watermead shop OPENING TIMES FOR COMMUNION & CONFIDMATION GIFT

**COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION GIFTS** Tues, Wed, Thur from 10.30 am-3.30 pm

Sun 11.45 am-12.15 pm Information from from 0116 220 7881 / 0

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