



ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH, LEICESTER

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Dear People,

Around the world are men and women willing to obey the orders of their government or states to launch nuclear missiles. At the last count I know of one missile per day could be exploded for 96 years - imagine the horror locked up in that number. Those who would launch them know that millions of innocent helpless people would be killed or maimed, but still they are willing to do it.

Would you obey the order? Would you be supported by your faith, your church, your God?

Franz Jägerstätter will soon be canonised as a saint. He refused to enlist as a soldier in World War II, not approving Hitler's murderous wars in Eastern and Western Europe. Franz' local priest and bishop failed to persuade him it was his duty to enlist in the army. He died for his refusal.

The Church now recognises him as a martyr for conscience. Good man. Weak, cowardly religious men told him he was wrong. The Church tells them they were wrong and Franz was right.

Conscience is greater than State or Church or Tribe. Read the pastoral letters of the German bishops during Hitler's regime and the war - and cringe with shame. Read the craven apologies given to their people by the bishops of Germany, Italy, Argentina (the dirty war), Chile (after Pinochet), that they had shown moral cowardice against the political powers. The lesson is clear: Government and Church may have power but they cannot rule or dictate conscience.

When I posed the questions for you in last week's homily and simply asked you if you were glad or angry I wanted you to test yourselves. Do you think as a Christian or as a nationalist? Are you politically/nationally biased and colour questions according to your prejudices?

We believe in a loving God whose love is for everyone, not simply for those approved of by Church or State. It is arrogance to limit God's love. We see such hatefulness in parts of Islam clearly today but it is throughout religious history and may be in our hearts, too. It is sickening to hear Catholics to put other considerations as more important than God, God's love, Christ's teachings.

How do you form your opinions, your convictions, your conscience? God bless us that it is in God's love we make all decisions.

Fr. John

29th July 2018 (Prayer Week 1)
"God feeds the world, we need to share"

Mass Times and Intentions

17th 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 Agnes Wright, Pat Cox, Alec Hill, Jack Muir,

Timmie & Winnie van Rensburg

MONDAY 30th JULY

(St Peter Chrysologus, bishop)

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

TUESDAY 31st JULY

(St Ignatius of Loyola, priest)

10.00 am at St Joseph's *for Thanksgiving*

WEDNESDAY 1st AUGUST

(St Alphonsus Mary Liguori, bishop)

10.00 am at St Joseph's *for Family & Friends*

THURSDAY 2nd AUGUST

(St Eusebius of Bercelli, bishop : St Peter Jlian Eymard)

10.00 am at St Joseph's *for Anya Rodrigues*

FRIDAY 3rd AUGUST

7.00 pm at St Joseph's *for Timmie & Winnie van Rensburg*

SATURDAY 4th AUGUST

(St John Mary Vianney, priest)

9.30 am at The Rosary Church *for Family Blessing (D)*

18th SUNDAY OF YEAR (B)

(Saturday) 6.00 pm at St. Joseph's

(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm)

SUNDAY 5th AUGUST

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 Teresa Conroy, Judith Page, Peggy White

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).

Parish Diary This Week

Tuesday 31st July

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, Garden, Home from Home, Watermead shop are also open.)

WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm

Wednesday 1st August

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. Quiet prayer, meditation, intercessions. All welcome.

WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm

Thursday 2nd August

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

WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm

Friday 3rd August

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 - Pea and Mint

Lunchtime specials - Chicken Pie

served with potatoes & fresh vegetables

(Please come before 2.45 pm to avoid disappointment)

Quiche of the week & Salad, Sandwiches, etc.

Dessert - Summer Pudding

(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 7880

CHURCH ROTAS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. 6.00 pm	Edward	Sal
Sun. 9.00 am	Alan	-
10.30 am	Gail	Steve / Sister Lelia
6.00 pm	TBA	Vincent

260 Club

This Months Winners!

No.152 wins £75; No.233 wins £50;

No.106 wins £50; No.74 wins £50;

No.194 wins £35.

Last week's collection was safely counted and banked. **£1,111**
*(Special RASH Collection £104)

Thank you. *Counters: Tony*

(Next week: Gail & Keith)

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

Prayer Box

Please pray for:

Families of the parish

and our loved ones living and dead

especially for those who have recently died:

Joseph Fangoo (RIP)

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

Prayers for: Fr Joseph O'Hanlon,
Maria, Daniel

The McCann family and all missing children

The peoples and countries of the world,
especially GREECE and PAKISTAN

POSTBAG

Dear Fr John,

I would like to share a testimony with you. This exam season was really difficult and at times I felt like giving up. I felt like I couldn't do it. The only reason why I survived and did well was purely because of God. My faith kept me going. I held on to my bible and I believed in miracles. God worked his magic and I was able to pass all my exams. I understood once again that nothing is impossible to God.

"Give thanks to the Lord for he his good; his love endures forever."

"Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful."

Throughout this exam season, my family and friends supported me and prayed for me abundantly. I just wanted to let someone know how good God has been and the best person is you Fr John. Please keep our family in your prayer.

PS from Fr John. I thanked the writer and asked if I good print the letter in the newsletter, but anonymously.

1968 ~ 2018

We celebrate St Joseph's Church's 50th anniversary on the weekend of 22nd/23rd September.

It is planned to celebrate in various ways. Proposed so far is that the church be open during that weekend for people to visit and that there be events and exhibitions to welcome those that do come, along with refreshments. St Joseph's organ is unique, being the only new instrument of its status installed locally for over 50 years and Iain, who maintains it, has offered to give a recital one or both days. We have the Saturday folk group and Sunday choir who could provide a short recital, along with members of Watermead, also based here. It would be good to celebrate the many aspects of the life of the parish over the 50 years of St Joseph's round church, along with the earlier parish years from 1939. There is some archive memorabilia in the parish records, but we need your input - information, photos, ideas and practical help. Please tell Fr John what you think of plans so far, and advise him how you would like to help or be involved. See the adjacent box - and do share details you know.

Kirsten

Today makes her First Holy Communion.

We pray for her and the family

Dates for Diary

Pilgrimage at Mount St Bernard's Abbey

in honour of Blessed Cyprian Tansi

Saturday 25th August, 10.30 am

See notice board for more information

Diocesan Rosary Rally

Sunday 26th August, Mass at 2.00pm,
at Mount Saint Bernard's Abbey
(see poster on notice boards)

Our Lady Queen of Peace Pilgrimage to Walsingham Monday 27th August

Coach from St Joseph's car park

Price £17, children under 14 free

Phone Mary on 07792162518 to book a place
(details on notice boards)

Adoremus : 7-9 Sept 2018

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS IN LIVERPOOL

There will be a coach leaving Leicester for the Adoremus Congress on 8th September from Mother of God and St Patrick's Church. The time has not yet been confirmed but will probably be around 7 am. The cost of travel is £15 per person and the cost of the ticket to attend the Congress is £40.

Further details on notice boards or from Diane Williams on 0115 9539841

→ Parish Pilgrimages 2019 →

MALTA, 5th-12th February - 5th-15th February

7 nights £450 (approx) and 10 nights £565 (approx)

to include all travel and and half board

at our excellent 4 star Preluna

Bookings have been made and there are 4 places left.

LOURDES in May (14 booked so far)

ASSISI with visits to FLORENCE, PISA, SIENA

September 19th-26th £625 (approx) half board.

All places have been taken

ROME 15th-21st November 2019

Pilgrimage to Stresa and Italian Lakes 16th-22nd August 2018

We have been full a while, but a room has just become available - single or twin/double. Please tell Fr John today if you are interested.

Depression, Anxiety

Stress, Bereavement

For Help and Support, for Adults and Teenagers,

call David, a qualified and registered Therapist.

Tel: 0116 3183185 Mob: 07591 308 287

or email - david@rubikminds.co.uk

for further information, or for an initial discussion,
to hear how he may be able to help you.

St Joseph's at 50 : Did You Know?

The cross at top of the tower and other metalwork around the church was made by Mr Williams, who worked at the time for Architectural Metalworks. His wife and daughter still live in the parish and will be letting us have more details of Mr Williams work for our factsheet.