



# ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH, LEICESTER

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Dear People,

It was fascinating to follow the Mid-term Election Campaign in the USA. How convincing each good speaker seemed, how justifiable their arguments, and the President seemed to win applause wherever he went and for whatever he said.

The polls were correct in what they forecast, so we already "knew" the result of the election if we believed the polls. Those pollsters are experts: from a small cleverly selected proportion of many people they can forecast the probable results.

Does that please you? That we are so alike, though we think ourselves free and independent, that we shall vote or behave just as many in our age bracket or social position or similar home addresses will vote or behave. We are predictable. Behavioural scientists tell us so.

That make democracy a frightening game. To win 51% of the vote is to claim victory and the 49% will have no voice if the 51% decide to ignore them. Once in power, for a limited time, the 51% and their representatives can act like dictators.

Very disappointing your good arguments can be ignored. You lost the election. You must wait or rebel for the chance to be heard. Your "rebellion" might bring about a change - but for the better? Then, the defeated may take their revenge: a swing of a few percent will do it and the 49% defeated become the 51% victorious.

Far better, say some of our religious leaders, to trust in God and God's representatives rather than bend to the winds of public opinion. "Trust in God, trust in me," are beautiful words in John's Gospel that Jesus spoke to the disciples at the Last Supper. "Trust in God, trust in us," the religious leaders with, or wanting, political power say to the people.

We look at the reigns of Popes and Mullahs and Ayatollahs and others and say "No thanks." We look at Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Ireland, Spain and Portugal in the 21st and 20th centuries and we don't like what we see. We might be argumentative, divisive, biased - but we are free to elect or reject and to wait for our turn. Religious political rule claims God as its justification for all it does, approves, forbids - and allows no appeal. If only they were honest and admitted they want to be in power.

Now, what were we saying about Brexit?  
Same as always - God bless us,

Fr. John

**11th November 2018 (Prayer Week 4)**  
"Remembering our loved ones"

## Mass Times and Intentions

### 32nd 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 Maria Pereira, Bernard Cassidy, Frederico della Rosa,  
Hersea Carino, Dean Cahilig, Holy Souls

### MONDAY 12th NOVEMBER

(St Josaphat, Bishop)

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

### TUESDAY 13th NOVEMBER

10.00 am at St Joseph's : Service of Word & Communion

### WEDNESDAY 14th NOVEMBER

10.00 am at St Joseph's : Service of Word & Communion

### THURSDAY 15th NOVEMBER

(St Albert the Great, Bishop)

10.00 am at St Joseph's : Service of Word & Communion

### FRIDAY 16th NOVEMBER

(St Margaret, Scotland : St Gertrude : St Edmund of Abingdon)

7.00 pm at St Joseph's for Family & Friends

### SATURDAY 17th NOVEMBER

(St Elizabeth of Hungary, St Hugh of Lincoln, St Hilda)

No Service at Rosary Church today

### 33rd SUNDAY OF YEAR (B)

(Saturday) 6.00 pm at St Joseph's

(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm)

### SUNDAY 18th 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 Kay Fenton, Mary George

### CONFESSIONS NEXT 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 - 4.30 pm.

## Remembrance Sunday



Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they rest in Peace.  
Amen.

## 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 13th November

**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, Home from Home shop, Watermead shop and garden are also open.)

**WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm**

### Wednesday 14th 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. Quiet prayer, meditation, intercessions. All welcome.

**WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm**

### Thursday 15th November

**PARISH OPEN MORNING** - hot drinks in Coffee Shop after the morning service (Library/ Garden also open). All welcome.

**WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm**

### Friday 16th November

**THE MIRIAM PRAYER GROUP** meet at 6.30 pm for faith sharing and Rosary entry via the church. All welcome.

## St Joseph's Table

### This Week's Specials

**Soup** - Leek & Potato

**Lunchtime specials** - Beef Stew

*served with potatoes & fresh vegetables*

*(Please come before 2.45 pm to avoid disappointment)*

**Quiche of the week & Salad, Sandwiches, etc.**

**Dessert** - Fruit Crumble

*(served with custard, cream, ice-cream)*

SEE "CHRISTMAS DATES"

Last week's collection was safely counted and banked. **£1,050**  
\*(Special RASH Collection £156)

Thank you. *Counters: TBA*  
*(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:

Hazel Morelli (RIP), Maureen Lyons (RIP)

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

Prayers for: Nikki, Sheila, Bridie, Rosemary

The McCann family and all missing children

The peoples and countries of the world, especially  
NICARAGUA, EL SALVADOR, MEXICO,  
CENTRAL AMERICA and the USA, CAMEROON

## POSTBAG

Dear People,

Last week I told you of the book by Fr Frank Daley, 'Still the Same People', about people suffering from dementia and guiding those who love and care for them.

Sheila has told me how good the book is and I asked if I could pass on her recommendation. Sheila said I might and I am pleased to know that others have bought the book.

It is available in the Watermead Shop and I have asked Fr Frank if we may have more.

God bless our loved ones who suffer like this and those who lovingly care for them. Fr John

Hi to our LACY members,

Just a little note to advise you that our next meeting of the Working Group will take place on Wednesday 14th November 2018, 7.30 pm, at St. Thomas More, Knighton, LE2 3HN.

Come and join us for an uplifting meeting with current members and hear about all the forthcoming events and celebrations we plan to take place. We need everyone's thoughts and ideas and it would be great to see you.

Many thanks for your interest in LACY,  
Best wishes, Pauline (07885 187374)

## Celebrating Mass in Rome

On Friday we shall be at St Peter's for the 5.00 pm mass - a wonderful start to our pilgrimage week. On Saturday we shall be at the Vatican church of St Anne's, at the top of our road. On Sunday we shall be at the Altar of the Tomb of St Peter - the most privileged altar in the basilica for a private group. On Monday we shall be at St Anne's or St Mary's, around the corner, and on Tuesday we shall again be in St Peter's, in the Hungarian Chapel in the Crypt. Wednesday and Thursday we are not yet certain but it is good to share the joy of being able to go to St Peter's and to experience Rome. You will be in our prayer.

## CHURCH ROTAS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. 6.00 pm	John	Anne B
Sun. 9.00 am	Philip	-
10.30 am	Gail	Steve / Sister
6.00 pm	TBA	Marie

**Children's Liturgy** and **First Holy Communion Class**  
at next weekend's 10.30 am Mass

## Dates for Diary

**Celebrating the Canonisation of Archbishop Oscar Romero**  
**Monday 26th November, 7.00 pm**  
at The Beckett School, Nottingham  
with Bishop Patrick and CAFOD  
Please confirm your attendance by emailing  
Maggie at mmairura@cafod.org.uk

## EVENTS AT ST JOSEPH'S FOR YOUR

## CHRISTMAS DIARY

### MAKING ADVENT WREATHS

**Thursday 22nd November, 1-3.00 pm**  
**CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS FOR THE HOME**

**Tuesday 18th December, 1-3.00 pm**  
2 seasonal workshops with Alka Hyams-foster  
*Cost towards materials for each workshop is £5*

### St Joseph's Table CHRISTMAS DINNERS

**Wednesday 5th & Wednesday 12th December**  
2 Course **£9.50** : 3 course **£12** (Booking essential)

### Candlelight Carols in Memory of Loved Ones

followed by our **Annual Entertainment Evening**  
**Wednesday 12th December, 7.15 pm**

*(Please send in further dates to add to this advance notification)*

## Parish Pilgrimages 2019

### LOURDES 10th - 16th May

Friday to Thursday, £495 approximately

*(price includes all travel and full board at hotel)*

*We have started booking, there are 12 places available.*

*DEPOSIT OF £200 secures a place and flight*

### ASSISI with visits to FLORENCE, PISA, SIENA

September 17th-27th

*We shall be making this pilgrimage in 2 overlapping groups*

*All places have now been taken. There is a reserve list.*

### ROME 8th-14th (15th-21st) November 2019

*(Details later. 15 people already booked)*

## The Holy Souls

It is November, the traditional month of prayer for the Holy Souls, our loved ones who have gone before us. They long for the fullness of God's love and forgiveness. That longing is purgatory. Purgatory is not a place: it is coming before God, aware of the faults and sinfulness we have known in our lives in hurting others and offending God. As we look at God we regret everything wrong in our lives, just as when we look into the eyes of someone we have hurt who loves us and feel deep sorrow.

*"Those whom we love and lose  
are no longer where they were before,  
they are now with us wherever we go"*  
St John Chrysostom

*There will be a basket at the base of the altar throughout the month in which to place the names of your loved to be remembered in our parish prayer.*

## Watermead shop

**Christmas has arrived!**  
**Cards, Cribbs, Gifts, etc.**  
*"Visions and Vocations" from Catholic Women Speak*

### OPENING TIMES

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

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