

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH, LEICESTER

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Dear People,

Fr Peter Coyle died a short while ago. He was one of my saints. I was the privileged one who said the prayer for the dying for him at the General Hospital. Just that afternoon he had been transferred from the Glenfield. Deacon John Parker brought him Holy Communion and then phoned me to ask if I would come for the final prayers.

I was saying mass (Monday evening) when the message was left but I went straight after mass and said the final prayers of blessing and peace. Fr John Cahill from St Peter's joined me (he had also been called in case I did not receive the phone message) and he had his few quiet moments with Fr Peter.

Fr Peter suffered much during these past 30 years. He had been with our own Fr David Everitt in Zambia for five years and how much they had enjoyed that period in a missionary diocese. But Peter contracted "black feet" and he was never free from its effects and the pain. Indeed, when I came to the diocese in Birstall in 1990 and attended my first deanery meeting with the local priests we prayed for Fr Peter because it seemed he would soon die – there was little hope.

But we were wrong! He made a wonderful recovery and slowly returned to full parish activity. He was good to know – good humoured, sharp minded, totally dedicated to God and the peoples of the parishes. Yet all the time suffering. He needed a leg amputation and spent time in the hospitals. When he was in the General how much I enjoyed visiting him, bringing him Holy Communion and talking about our lives as priests, about our people, the Church, about sport. He was so good.

How grateful we are to the people of Our Lady's and St Edwards whom he served and who gave him much support. He and I would talk about the goodness and generosity of our people, their kindness, our being able to trust in their sympathy and support. As I now make my steady recovery surrounded and supported by all the help and encouragement I am being given, so I remember Fr Peter and the way he talked about the people of St Edwards. They made it possible for him to continue in the parish work he so loved, accepted the limitation of what he could do from a wheelchair and loved him. We, his fellow priests, are all grateful to St Edwards for what they did for Fr Peter.

Now you are doing it for me. I feel blessed. I know I am on a good road to recovery. I am blessed to be at home because the hospital thought I would be bound to need rehab: but when they heard how wonderfully the parish was ready for my coming home, the great preparations in the house and for my nursing care, they decided I could come home. So here I am.

Thank you and God bless you,



13th August 2017 (Prayer Week 3) "Love God, love God's people"

Mass Times and Intentions 19th SUNDAY OF YEAR (A)

(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 H Gomes, G Gomes, Michael Linnett,
Bernard & Mary Lee

MONDAY 14th AUGUST

(St Maximilian Kolbe)
7.00 pm at St. Joseph's: Service of Word & Communion

TUESDAY 15th AUGUST

At 10.00 am & 7.00 pm at St. Joseph's

There will be a Service of Word & Communion

WEDNESDAY 16th AUGUST

(St Stephen of Hungary) 10.00 am at St. Joseph's: Service of Word & Communion

THURSDAY 17th AUGUST

(Our Lady of Knock) 10.00 am at St. Joseph's: Service of Word & Communion

FRIDAY 18th AUGUST

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

SATURDAY 19th AUGUST

(St John Eudes, Priest)
No Service at the Rosary Church today

20th SUNDAY OF YEAR (A)

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

SUNDAY 20th 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)
Lucy O'Halloran, Frances & Terry Bailess (WA)

CONFESSIONS EACH WEEK

SUNDAY 5.15 pm at St. Joseph's **SATURDAY** 5.15 pm at St. Joseph's

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

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

WELCOME

Monsignor Brian Dazeley and Father Ted Mullen

who are celebrating mass for us this weekend.

The parish is very grateful for the time they are giving us during these weeks of Father John's recuperation.

Braden, Chester, Finley & Kieran

Today make their First Holy Communion.

We pray for them and their families.

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 15th August

A Holy Day - Feast of the Assumption

St JOSEPH'S TABLE open today from 10.40 am - 3.30 pm. Special menu of the week (see below). A warm welcome awaits. The parish library, Home from Home shop, Garden, Watermead shop also available during opening hours.

WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm

Wednesday 16th 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. All welcome.

WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm

Thursday 17th August

STRESA PILGRIMAGE - Our pilgrims leave during the early hours of Thursday morning led by Fr David Tobin. We thank Fr David for standing in for Fr John and wish all the pilgrims a safe journey and a blessed and happy time together.

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

Friday 18th August

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

St Joseph's Table

Summer Specials Menu

Soup - Carrot and Coriander

<u>Lunchtime specials</u> - Fish Pie served with potatoes & fresh vegetables **Various Salads available on request** (Ploughman's platter also available)

<u>Dessert</u> - Treacle Tart (served with custard, cream, ice-cream)

Prayer Box

Please pray for:

Families of the parish and our loved ones living and dead

especially for those who have recently died:

Shirley R (RIP)

Fabian, Declan, Jenny, Jonathan, Jennifer, Pat, Mary

Prayers for: Betty, Fr John, Sally, Ethan, Malcolm, Cecilia's niece & family

The McCann family and all missing children

The peoples and countries of the world, especially YEMEN, VENEZUALA, SOUTH KOREA, KENYA



I have devised a simple way of saying the Rosary – just one bead for each mystery, so there is no distraction. I imagine the scene –

Annunciation/Baptism of Jesus/Agony in the Garden/Resurrection – and then imagine at my side those to pray for. I never know who that will be. Such pleasant surprises. Fr John

POSTBAG

Dear Young People of the Diocese,

I would like to invite you to join me for a joyful Spirit-filled evening of Prayer and Praise, good music, food and fun on **Saturday 16th September**, 7.00-9.30 pm, at **Ratcliffe College Sports Hall**. It's an occasion to celebrate the 50th anniversay of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal, and an opportunity for all young adults in the diocese to gather together and be renewed in the strength and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

I very much look forward to meeting you. May God bless you, + Bishop Patrick (Letter reprinted from a few weeks ago)

Dear All,

Delaine Takunda Mukopfa was tragically taken away on the 10 January 2015 just aged 10 years. He was an inspirational boy loved by many people. He was a mass server, footballer, and he held a diploma in modelling. The family together with some friends established the Delaine Takunda Mukopfa (DTM) Foundation to celebrate his life through helping other young people. Fundraising events are ongoing since the formation of his charity.

A Summer BBQ Event is arranged for 9th September at Mother of God Church, Greencoat Road, LE3 6NZ. 11.00 am - 8 pm. Meal costs £5 per adult drinks 50p Under 18's free beef burger/sausage roll and squash drink. For more details contact me on 07722801274.

Thank you, Chris Mokopfa

CHURCH ROTAS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Sat. 6.00 pm Edward Cecilia
Sun. 9.00 am Luke 10.30 am Ann Anne G / TBA
6.00 pm TBA Vincent

Dates for Diary

Evington Community Fun Day Saturday 26th August, 11 am to 4 pm

At Coleman Neighbourhood Centre Balderstone Close, Leicester, LE5 4ES All welcome

Rosary Rally

at Mount St Bernard's Abbey Sunday 27th August

starting with mass at 2.00 pm
Full details on church notice board

Queen of Peace Pilgrimage to Walsingham Monday 28th August

Coach from St Joseph's at 9.00 am Adults £16 (children under 14 free) Ring Mary on 07792 162 518 See posters on notices boards

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA (AoS)

Mass at Nottingham Cathedral Please come and join in the celebration of Holy Mass at 1.00 pm at St Barnabas' Cathedral, Nottingham on

Friday 8 September 2017.

It is an opportunity to pray for seafarers and the work of the AoS in ports of your diocese.

A reception will follow the Mass.

For more information contact salvina@apostleshipofthesea.org.uk.

A Spirif-filled Evening of Prayer & Praise for all young adulfs

with Bishop Patrick at Ratcliffe College on **Saturday 16th September** (See "Postbag" for more information)

Event at Saint Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham Friday 13th – Sunday 15th October

An exhibition of vestments and plates including items from 15th Century and a programme of talks:

Friday - History of lace by Rev Jayne Shepherd Saturday – Ecclesiastical textiles and workshop on conservation and restoration

Do I have Your Number?

Each quiet day is full: prayer, meditation, reading, the news, world athletics championships and I am enjoying my prayer walks. I imagine myself walking the streets of the parish, saying a prayer for each home along the way and phoning you. It is such an enjoyable way to walk and pray.

I discover that a number of you do not have an answer phone so I can't tell you I've called, that I have the wrong number and sometimes that I don't have a number at all, though I thought I had.

I "see" you in the church as well (a number of addresses I still don't know) so the whole parish is in my prayer and I'm enjoying imagining walking to your homes. Forgive me if I haven't called yet, I'm on my way, but perhaps I have called but couldn't leave a message if I didn't have your number or had a wrong one. You are all in the prayer, though, and the Lord will tell you if you ask.

Fr Iohn

PS There are parish registration forms at the back of church if you would like to update me.

Watermeao shop - OPEN THIS WEEK AT USUAL TIMES
Tues, Wed, Thur from 10.30 am-3.30 pm AND Sun 11.45 am-12.15 pm. Information from 0116 220 7881