



ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH, LEICESTER

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Dear People,

How good to welcome our pilgrims home from Stresa and Lake Maggiore. They had a wonderful week in a beautiful setting. Photographs and messages during the week showed how happy they were, good as a group, excellent hotel, fascinating days out. Almost all said how ready they would be to go there again. We shall, probably same time next August.

Over the years I find that when people tell me how happy their holiday or an experience has been I feel blessed with them, glad to share what they have known, and I feel I have even been there! My own life's experiences would be out of the ordinary for most people of my generation - university, Rome, New Zealand, Northern Canada - and all of them very happy, so much so I did not want to leave any of them. I have been so at home wherever I have lived that I never wanted to move on, but Obedience sent me to do God's work and I look back at a rich experience of life.

It's the same now. Happy at St Joseph's as I have been, blessed with many happy memories that one day I shall take to heaven. Thank you, Lord, I shall say as I see God and all my loved ones waiting for me. Thank you. I could never have shaped my life as you did. How could I have known enough to live where I did, known the people I have known, done what I would have never have thought of doing. All eternity to be grateful and to share with my brothers and sisters from every time and place.

What was/is God's plan? If I knew would I have the words to explain? I don't know but I know several good answers. A lady was exploring the goodness in men as seen by women, and she decided that being strong and gentle were the best qualities: strong to look after and protect his loved ones, gentle to reassure and comfort. St John says, several times in his letters, that being loved and loving are the greatest blessings. A lady I knew said that in family, at work, in the parish what she appreciated above all was kindness.

How do we please God and one another? God bless us to discover good answers.

Fr. John

27th August 2017 (Prayer Week)

"Can we not cruise on our sacred memories?"

Mass Times and Intentions

21st 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 Arianna Kubavat, Sabrina and Jaymin Kubavat,

Tom Concannon, Rosalina Rebello

MONDAY 28th AUGUST

(St Augustine, bishop)

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

TUESDAY 29th AUGUST

(Beheading of John the Baptist)

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

WEDNESDAY 30th AUGUST

(St Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line & Margaret Ward)

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

THURSDAY 31st AUGUST

(St Aidan)

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

FRIDAY 1st SEPTEMBER

(World Day of Prayer for Care of Creation)

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

SATURDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER

No Service at the Rosary Church today

22nd SUNDAY OF YEAR (A)

(Saturday) 6.00 pm at St. Joseph's

(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm)

SUNDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER

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 Michael Linnett, Thanksgiving, Family Blessing,

David & Mary Ellen Hudson

CONFESSIONS EACH WEEK

SATURDAY & SUNDAY 5.15 pm at St. Joseph's

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

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

WELCOME & THANKS

to **Father Ted Mullen** (again) who is celebrating mass for us this weekend.
Fr John is making a slow but very good recovery and it is hoped in a couple of weeks he will be able to be in church with us again.

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 29th August

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 30th 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 31st August

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 1st September

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 - Tomato

Lunchtime specials - Beef Mince Pie served with potatoes & fresh vegetables
Various Salads available on request (Ploughman's platter also available)

Dessert - Bread & Butter 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 7881 / 0
www.watermead-apostolate.com

260 Club

July & August winners next week

Last week's collection was safely counted and banked. **£840**
*(Special RASH Collection £103)

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:

Lesley Weldron (RIP)

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

Prayers for: Cardinal Cormac Murphy- O'Connor,
Rita Melia, Baby Olivia, Barbara Morris

The McCann family and all missing children

*The peoples and countries of the world,
especially SYRIA, LIBYA, SOUTH SUDAN*

POSTBAG

Dear Father John,

I want to thank you so much for organising our lovely holiday-pilgrimage to Stresa.

We had a wonderful few days thanks to you and Alison - helped by your fellow Rosminian, Father David.

It was full marks for everything - hotel, food, weather, company, scenery and complemented by our visit to the Rosminian college.

Thank you, Maureen



A PRAYER POEM



Sure I know you're awfully busy, Lord,
but I wonder could you spare
just a little while to listen?

Please sit down and take a chair.

O, my God, I don't know where to start

I've so many things to say:

but you're welcome, Jesus, welcome
and I'm glad that you can stay.

Let me thank you, friend, for everything
since you created me,

for every blessing great and small
that kept me close to thee.

For every cross you sent me, Lord,

I humbly thank you, too,
for you made me strong to bear them
and kept me true to you.

And may I ask forgiveness
for all the things I've done

to make the cross you carried, Lord,
a much much heavier one.

I hope in you, I trust in you, I beg of you, I pray,
to give me peace and love within my heart
and help me on life's way. (by Sheila's friend)

CHURCH ROTAS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. 6.00 pm	John	Sal
Sun. 9.00 am	Alan	-
10.30 am	TBA	Steve / Sr Lelia
6.00 pm	TBA	Vincent

New rotas for Readers and Ministers of Eucharist
are on the table in sacristy awaiting collection

Dates for Diary

TODAY ~ 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 Spirit-filled Evening of Prayer & Praise for all young adults

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

ANNUAL GUILD OF ST STEPHEN MASS

at Nottingham Cathedral
Saturday 16th September, 11 am
for all our Altar Servers.
See details on notice board or in sacristy.

FUNERAL PLANS (AGAIN)

Another unpleasant experience with a funeral plan, some of the costs not covered, a shortfall of about £650. Be very careful of funeral plans. They seem to create more problems than they avoid. Be certain to talk things over with family or someone you trust and you may decide it best to leave the money in your account and your will.

Thank you

The get well wishes and congratulations on my Golden Jubilee of priesthood continue to arrive. Thank you. I am grateful for your prayers, good wishes and greetings. Fr John.

Volunteer at St Paul's to help in the school chaplaincy. Details from Seamus at the school on 0116 2414057.

→ Pilgrimages 2018 →

Malta: 30th Jan - 6th Feb / or 30th Jan - 11th Feb
All travel and hotel at half board
8 (£420 approx), 12 days (£565 approx)

Padua, Venice & Assisi : 24th - 31st May
All travel and hotels at half board
8 days (£595 approx)

Stresa & Lake Maggiore, 16th-22nd August
All travel and half board at hotel
7 days (price very close to this year's)

Rome, 9th - 15th November
All travel and bed & breakfast at hotel
7 days (£595 approx)

Phone Fr John to let him know your interest.