



ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH, LEICESTER

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Dear People,

At Question of Faith on Monday evening we talked about Pope Francis' encyclical 'Amoris Laetitia' (the "Joy of Love"). He writes about divine and human love, the essence of this and eternal life. He speaks sadly of people who feel themselves alienated from the Church but who would love to belong again and he writes especially of those living in the happiness of a second marriage after the failure of the first. How can we welcome them back to full communion within the Church, he asks.

A good question. The Church welcomes everyone in the name of Christ. Murders, war mongers, war criminals (names easily available), men and women guilty of horrendous crimes, are all welcomed if they want to start life again with God and may receive the sacraments once more. Do you agree? Should such evil people be shown mercy or be damned outside the Church for ever?

Should we welcome people who have re-married outside the Church? Or, as the Church insists, should we forgive everyone and welcome them back - except those people living happily in a second marriage? The law of the Church, that marriage is an unbreakable bond, is more important than Pope Francis' appeal to God's loving mercy, say the Pope's opponents.

We talked about the laws of the Church governing marriage. None of those laws are in the Gospel. They have been framed by men (aah!) of the Church and have been decreed, modified and changed down the centuries.

We talked about annulments (could you explain those?), free and full consent, arranged and forced marriages, unfaithfulness. We wondered how a marriage promise broken by an unfaithful or cruel partner can still bind the other. The couple marry each other, they are the sacrament, they make the promises, the bond. If one breaks the bond, makes mockery of it, how can one be held to a bond that for the other no longer exists?

We heard sad family stories of loveless marriages and I was able to give them examples of how Church law can be evaded, interpreted, ignored, changed. Church and all law is framed by clever men, but cleverer people can interpret the law to their advantage and the advantage of their clients. The laws of the Church are in constant need of revision, like all law.

We appreciated Pope Francis' wanting to bring God's loving mercy to a healing second marriage. Compassion was our mood, as it is his. But his critics tell us that he is being false to the Gospel. Is he? The ideal, law, mercy, reconciliation . . .

God guide and bless us, Fr. John

11th August 2019 (Prayer Week 3)

"The Gospel fulfils the Bible . . ."

Mass Times and Intentions

19th SUNDAY OF YEAR (C)

(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 and 6.00 pm at St Joseph's

(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm)

(Intentions for Sunday Mass)

for David & Kerrie (WB), Patrick Pritchard,

The Mizuik Family, Family Blessing, Private Intention

MONDAY 12th AUGUST

7.00 pm at St Joseph's for The Donovan Family

TUESDAY 13th AUGUST

(St Pontian, Pope : St Hippolytus, Priest)

10.00 am at St Joseph's for Ed & Catherine Morgan

WEDNESDAY 14th AUGUST

(St Maximilian Kolbe)

10.00 am at St Joseph's for Sarah James

THURSDAY 15th AUGUST

HOLY DAY

(Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary)

10.00 am & 7.00 pm at St Joseph's

for People for the Parish, Peter Reilly

FRIDAY 16th AUGUST

(St Stephen of Hungary)

7.00 pm at St Joseph's for Family Blessing

SATURDAY 17th AUGUST

(Our Lady of Knock)

20th SUNDAY OF YEAR (C)

(Saturday) 6.00 pm at St Joseph's

(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm)

SUNDAY 18th 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 Daniel & Annie McPhillips, Alex Federucci

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 - 6.00 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 13th August

St JOSEPH'S TABLE open today from 10.45 am - 3.30 pm. (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

CHOIR PRACTICE tonight, 7.30 pm.

Wednesday 14th August

St JOSEPH'S TABLE open today from 10.45 am - 3.30 pm. (See details below). **MEDITATION** in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, 10.50 am. All welcome.

WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm

Thursday 15th August

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 August

THE MIRIAM PRAYER GROUP meet at 6.30 pm. Entry via the church. welcome.

St Joseph's Table SPRING MENU

Soup - of the Day

Lunchtime - All Day Breakfast

Jacket Potatoes with assorted toppings

(Please come before 2.45 pm to avoid disappointment)

Dessert - will be announced on 'Specials' board

ALSO MANY OTHER OPTIONS

Assorted Sandwiches, Salads, Toasties, Hot Sweet & Assorted Cakes, etc.

NB All help welcomed. Training given.

24-7 Prayer at St Philip's Church, Evington Rd

Sunday 11th - Sunday 18th August

Sign up for a prayer slot on <https://bit.ly/2Zfif8h> or phone 07876313312

Come, Read, Worship, Paint, sing Draw, Meditate, Listen and Pray



POSTBAG

Dear People,

We have been urged to think and pray about Brexit for a long while. We are all involved. The end is nigh. And I'm thinking of carrying a billboard around Leicester City Centre. Would anyone carry with me?

Seriously, we pray. Some of the arguments are disturbingly militant. It's not an argument to win but a discussion in which everyone must feel they belong. Democracy fails if the victors claim everything in a dictatorship because they have won a majority vote.

We want the EU to listen to us and Scotland and Northern Ireland and Wales want England to listen to them. A consensus is what we pray and work for, not a victory.

At the Referendum the arguments on both sides were good and if I had had two votes I would have given one to leave and one to remain - which is almost as the country voted.

It has been sad to listen to and watch the divisions. We belong to a united kingdom and did belong to a united Europe. What's happened? God bless us, Fr John

Prayer Box

Please pray for:

Families of the parish and our loved ones living and dead

especially for those who have recently died:

Eileen Smith (RIP), Lucy O'Halloran (RIP)

Declan, Bridie, Jonathan, John, Chris, Maria, Kath, Mary, Anna, Patrick, Olven, Sheila, Martina, Cristiano

Prayers for: Maurice

The McCann family and all missing children

The peoples and countries of the world, especially KASHMIR, SYRIA, YEMEN

Children learn what they live

If children live

- . . . with criticism, they learn to condemn.
- . . . with hostility, they learn to fight.
- . . . with fear, they learn to be apprehensive.
- . . . with pity, they learn to feel sorry for themselves.
- . . . with ridicule, they learn to feel shy.
- . . . with jealousy, they learn to feel envy.
- . . . with shame, they learn to feel guilty.

If children live

- . . . with encouragement, they learn confidence.
- . . . with tolerance, they learn patience.
- . . . with praise, they learn appreciation.
- . . . with acceptance, they learn to love.
- . . . with approval, they learn to like themselves.
- . . . with recognition, they learn it is good to have a goal.
- . . . with sharing, they learn generosity.
- . . . with honesty, they learn truthfulness.
- . . . with fairness, they learn justice.
- . . . with kindness and consideration, they learn respect.
- . . . with security, they learn to have faith in themselves and in those about them.
- . . . with friendliness, they learn the world is a nice place in which to live.

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And Parents . . . ?

Parents must respect the spiritual person of their child with reverence. For children, too, look their creator in the face and have an audience with God into which no parents can enter even if they dared to desire it.

(George MacDonald)

Last week's collection was safely counted and banked. **£966**

*(Special RASH Collection £75)

Thank you. Counters: Terry

(Next week: TBA)

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

CHURCH ROTAS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. 6.00 pm	Kate	Cecelia
Sun. 9.00 am	TBA	-
10.30 am	Ann	Steve / Sister Lelia
6.00 pm	TBA	Vincent

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

Dates for Diary

What's the Outlook for Humanity?

Friday 16th August, 6.00 pm

Talk and Discussion organised by Royal Society of Arts, Leicestershire & Rutland, at Leicester University Arts Centre, Lancaster Road, Leicester

Queen of Peace Pilgrimage to Walsingham

Monday 26th August

Full details on notice boards
Contact: Mary on 07792162518

OVR NEXT "Twilight" REATREAT

Wednesday 28th August, 7-9 pm
here at St Joseph's: "The Prodigal Mother"

LACY Sponsored Fun Day at Rutland Water

Saturday 31st August, 11.15 am - 5.30 pm
(Picnic lunch, 3 mile sponsored walk, etc)

More details on poster. Mass at 3.30 pm
Contact paolinepayne@hotmail.com

Diocesan Rosary Rally

Sunday 1st September

Mount Saint Bernard Abbey: Mass at 2.00pm
(See details on notice boards)

Catholics Working in Healthcare Mass

Saturday 7th September with

Bishop Patrick, St Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham

The 3 J's in aid of LOROS

Sunday 8th September

at the Emerald Centre, Leicester
(See notice board for full details of the day)

AFTERNOON TEA Chat, Sing, Socialise

whilst raising money for the charity SPICMA
(with live singer and music)

here in St Joseph's Hall from 2 to 5.00 pm on

Saturday 28th September

Tickets £10 (proceeds to SPICMA)

Contact Sam, 07742526917, to buy/reserve tickets (35 tickets sold already)

Donations for raffle prizes welcomed

A DAY FOR CATHOLIC WOMEN

The next day here at St Joseph's will be on
Saturday 26th October (details later)

ADVANCE NOTICE - CONCERT

by the Resurrection Choir of St Petersburg

Saturday 2nd November

Information / Tickets 0116 2858795

email blessedsacrament@btinternet.com

Parish Pilgrimages

MALTA 2020

4th - 13th February (Tuesday-Thursday)
£625 (approx.) covers flights, airport coaches, our excellent 4 star hotel, half board. (32 booked so far)
£20 deposit to confirm booking.

LOURDES 2020

8th - 14th or 15th - 21st May
£520 (approx) covers flights, airport coaches, and full board at our hotel. (6 booked so far)
£20 deposit to confirm booking.

STRESA & LAKE MAGGIORE 2020

13th - 19th and 20th - 26th August
Full cost. **£645** (approx.) covers flights, airport coaches, our excellent lakeside hotel, half board.
(84 booked so far).
£20 deposit to confirm booking.

Please note that places are not reserved until the
£20 deposit is paid. Many people are