

# ST. 10SEPH'S PARISH, LEICESTER

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Dear People,

When we began our Living Stones programme in union with the diocese our parish response was very good. Eighty people attended the first day's meeting and forty our second day (with a number of apologies), and our other local parishes were interested to hear of our involvement.

They, too, had been following a programme, and now on Tuesday 4th September at 7.00 pm (teas and coffees) and 7.30 - 9.00 pm we shall have a deanery meeting for all our local Catholic parishes.

It is open to everyone. Please feel invited to listen and contribute. A report of the meeting will go to Bishop Malcolm and similar reports will go to him from around the diocese. Then a diocesan programme will be formulated.

This is the "Year of Faith", promulgated by Pope Benedict to begin on 11th October 2012 and run until Advent 2013. The date chosen, 11th October, marks the 50th anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council where powerful discussions brought about many changes in the life of the Church, some immediate and some still developing.

During the "Year" we shall have regular glimpses of the documents produced by the Council - on Church mission to the world, links with other faiths and with other Christian Churches, our call to holiness, etc. It seems certain there will be books and pamphlets produced for the year and we shall carry a wide selection in the Watermead Shop.

Our own parish is to publish two books - a book of prayers put together from favourite prayers suggested by people of the parish (we have plenty now, but more are welcome) and a book based upon the discussions we have had in our regular Question of Faith meetings.

No doubt, other ideas will arise. We shall make the year a glorious one, celebrating our Catholic faith together. If you would like to make any suggestions, please do.

God bless you, Fr. John

## **26th August 2012** (Prayer Week 1) "God and Israel, Christ and the Church"

# Mass Times and Intentions 21st 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)

Maura O'Connor, Dorothy Holloway, Jose Fernandes, Sabrina & Jaymin (1st), Martin & Penny (40th), Rosalina Rebello & Alex Fernandes, Tom Concannon

#### MONDAY 27th AUGUST

(St. Monica)

10.00 am at St. Joseph's for Paul & Philomena Cronin

#### **TUESDAY 28th AUGUST**

(St. Augustine)

10.00 am at St. Joseph's for John & Cynthia Bunten

### WEDNESDAY 29th AUGUST

(The Beheading of John the Baptist) 10.00 am at St. Joseph's for James & Annie Sweeney

#### THURSDAY 30th AUGUST

(Ss. Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line & Margaret Ward) 10.00 am at St. Joseph's for Thanksgiving

#### **FRIDAY 31st AUGUST**

(St. Aidan & Saints of Lindisfarne) 7.00 pm at St. Joseph's *for The Horan Family* 

#### **SATURDAY 1st SEPTEMBER**

9.30 am at The Rosary Church for Frank Morgan

#### 2nd SUNDAY OF YEAR (Year B)

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

#### **SUNDAY 2nd 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 Mary Ellen Hudson, Audrey Brown, Wendy O'Connor, Marie Smith, Holy Souls, Private Intention 

#### BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

open every day this week from 10.30 am - 6.00 pm.

# The Parish on Sundays

at st loseph's DRINKS, LIBRARY, FAIR TRADE

AT THE RUSARY CHURCH DRINKS, CAKE STALL, FAIR TRADE

# Parish Diary This Week

**Monday 27th August** BANK HOLIDAY MASS at 10.00 am.

#### **Thursday 30th August**

PARISH OPEN DAY Hot drinks in the Coffee Shop!

The Parish Library, Fair Trade Stall and Garden open, following the morning mass at St. Joseph's. Also open in the hall is our "Home from Home" - do visit.

**HOME FROM HOME** Thanks to all who have supported and made donations. More are still welcomed bric-a-brac. household items. children's toys, clothing, etc. - and can be brought to the parish hall between 11.00 am and 2.00 pm on Thursdays.

# Postbag

Dear People.

Several of you have asked for a short written explanation of Our Lady's Assumption into heaven. Here is what was written in The Lord's Day for the 20th Sunday of the Year, 19th August, 2012.

#### The Assumption of Our Lady

We celebrate the wonder of Mary's being able to offer herself completely to God at the moment of her dying. Her life had been beautiful, no shadow of sin had touched it, so there was nothing to prevent her total giving of herself at her death.

As we say this, we remember the words of Jesus on the cross: "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit," - and his total giving of himself.

For those who believe, this is what death means: not the ending of life but the completion of our human life and the offering of that life to God.

We speak of Mary's giving herself "body and soul" - our way of saying "totally" - and thus of God's accepting her "body and soul" into eternal life.

The Assumption was defined as a truth of the Catholic Faith in 1950.

Look for "The Lord's Day" at the back of church each Sunday. Fr John

# Prayer Box Please pray for

Families of the parish and our loved ones living and dead especially:

Philomena Jepson (RIP) who died this week .....

The sick and housebound and in hospital and in nursing homes - especially: Jack Laing, Harry Bowden, Eve Kelly, Mary Keenan, Ian North, Paul Pearce, Fabian Sweeney, Christina Flynn, Anna Nugent, Elizabeth Haddon, Pauline McKeever, Eithne McArdle, Jo Regan, Jonanthan Lockwood .....

Those asking for prayers this week: Karen Doherty

The McCann family and all missing children .....

The peoples and countries of the world. especially this week NEPAL

Please tell Fr John if you can suggest any improvements in the ways we pray for each other. If there are names missing that you would like to have remained in the prayer box, then do let him know.

### **GRANDMA DWYER**

Grandma had five daughters and she spoke to them about being wives and mothers. She advised them to give their husbands the sense of being the head of the house, though they knew that really the woman is. They understood how it worked. They would ask their mother about something and she would tell them to ask their father: he, in his turn, would tell them to ask their mother and whatever she said was right.

The daughters knew the deep love shared by their parents and never to take advantage of that love: husband and wife were wonderfully loval and practical in their love, would let nothing hurt the other; so the daughters knew that even though they might ask one of the parents a permission it would not be full until confirmed by the other.

As women, the daughters talked about the lesson in life and love their parents had taught They remembered the freedom in friendship their parents enjoyed - the mother's friends who came to the house, the friends their father met at sport and at work:; but they remembered above all that their parents were loyal to each other, in the love and understanding that flowed between them. One amusing memory reflected their union -Grandma had told someone he was a nuisance. He complained to Grandpa about being insulted, and Grandpa said "Jack, you were insulted by a lady." St. Paul would have liked Grandma and Grandpa Dwyer.

# Dates for Diary

Our Lady Queen of Peace Annual Pilgrimage to Walsingham

**Monday 27th August** 

Details on notice board. Cost approx. £14 Ring Kath on 0116 2340103 to book

#### **Living Stones Open Meeting**

(here in St Joseph's parish hall) for our local Catholic parishes to discuss changes and developments in the diocese

**Tuesday 4th September** 7.00 pm (teas/coffees) 7.30-9.00 pm (meeting)

**Dowry of Mary** (Walsingham) Sunday 9th September

Mass at 12 noon: 3.15 Benediction & Prayers

### SPUC Midlands Pro-Life Conference **Saturday 15th September**

10.00 am - 3.30 pm

at St Mary's, Ashby Road, Loughborough All welcome. Details from arthur clarke16@tiscali.co.uk or 01509 674545

## Rome in November 2012 8th - 14th

£395 (which includes flight at current price, airport coaches and hotel Bed & Breakfast) Some places still available. Please book soon.

## **PARISH PILGRIMAGES 2013**

# MALTA

7th - 14th February

£395 to cover all travel and half board at a 4-star hotel. There are 3 places left, but we can ask for more.

## ROME & ASSISI 4th -13th June

6 days in Rome / 3 days in Assisi £675 includes all travel & hotels (B&B in Rome and half board in Assisi) All places booked. Waiting list now.

#### LOURDES 19th - 26th September

£495 includes travel (flights & airport coaches) and full board at hotel. 36 Places already booked.

Please contact Fr John if you are interested so that bookings can be made.

# Watermeao shop

The "Old Stable" Centre

SHOP OPENING TIMES

This week we are closed on Tuesday Open on Wed &Thur from 10.30 am-3.30 pm Sat 5.00-5.50 pm & Sun 11.45 am-12.45 pm Information from 0116 220 7881 / 0 www.watermead-apostolate.com

Reflexology (Complementary Therapy) Contact Sharon on 0116 2120719

## Last week's collections were safely counted and banked. Thank you. Parish £1,111 Priest training £462

Counters this week: Tony (Next week: Terry)

#### PARISH ROTA FOR NEXT WEEKEND

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Children's Liturgy
Sat. 6.00 pm	Marie	Sal	CHILDREN'S
Sun. 10.30 am	Children	Anne G	MASS NEXT
6.00 pm	TBA	TBA	<u>WEEK</u>