

Dear People,

You may have been following the discussion about the World Football Championships in 2022 to take place in Qatar. Because it is football you might have dismissed it as irrelevant, but behind the discussions there is a serious world problem.

"Qatar, like its near-neighbour the United Arab Emirates, is a slave state. Just as the vulgar bling towers of Dubair have been built on the backs of criminally underpaid labourers from Bangladesh and Pakistan people deprived of their passport and billeted in appalling conditions - the same employment practices have long been the norm in Qatar, too.

"It is to the credit of The Guardian for uncovering the details that pertain in this case. The migrant labourers in Qatar come largely from Nepal. Dozens have died in recent weeks while working on the extravagant construction projects associated with the World Cup. They have been dropping dead at the rate of one a day, usually from heart attacks, in a forced labour scheme described as "modern day slavery" by the International Labour Organisation. The workers complained that they had not been paid for months, their wages retained in a successful effort to prevent them leaving the country.

"There are also reports of their being denied water in scorching working conditions and a bunch of them have taken up residence, or refuge, in the Nepalese Embassy in the Qatari captial, Doha.

"In the main, they have been forced to work on the £28bn Lusail City development. One day it will include a 90,000 all-seat stadium where the final is scheduled to take place."

Such a strong report in the Sunday Times is an example of the "slavery" that we are becoming more aware of around the world, including our own country, where migrant workers live in appalling conditions and are paid very low wages.

We pray with every voice that speaks out against the exploitation of the poor and weak.

God bless them, F_{γ} . I of m

CONFESSIONS EACH WEEK SUNDAY 5.15 pm at St. Joseph's SATURDAY 10.00 am at the Rosary Church and 5.15 pm at St. Joseph's

13th October 2013 (Prayer Week 4)

"The Lord heals, old and new . . ."

Mass Times and Intentions

28th 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 at St. Joseph's 6.00 pm at St. Joseph's (Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm) (Intentions for Sunday Mass) Sherwin & Sharon (WA), Monica Mobbs, Doris Geraghty, Clifford Della Porta, Special Intention

MONDAY 14th OCTOBER (St. Callistus, Pope) 7.00 pm at St. Joseph's *for Family & Friends*

<u>TUESDAY 15th OCTOBER</u> (St. Teresa of Avila) 10.00 am at St. Joseph's *for Bridget Davis*

WEDNESDAY 16th OCTOBER (St. Hedwig : St Margaret Mary Alacoque) 10.00 am at St. Joseph's *for Betty Merriman*

THURSDAY 17th OCTOBER

(St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop) 10.00 am at St. Joseph's *for Thanksgiving to St Anthony*

> FRIDAY 18th OCTOBER (St. Luke, Evangelist) 7.00 pm at St. Joseph's *for Family Blessing*

SATURDAY 19th OCTOBER

(St Isaac Jogues, Priest, St John de Brebeuf, St Paul of Cross)

9.30 am at The Rosary Church for The Delaney Family

29th SUNDAY OF YEAR (C)

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

SUNDAY 20th OCTOBER

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 Margaret Bailey, Riomelda Ireland, Bill (birthday), James & Michelle (WA)

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

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



Last week's collection was safely counted and banked. £1,126

Thank you. Counters this week : Michael & Eileen (Next week: Pauline & Christine)

1. Prayer Box Please pray for: Families of the parish

and our loved ones living and dead especially for those who have recently died: Fr Tim Maloney (RIP), Peter Stephenson (RIP)

The sick and housebound, those in hospital

and in nursing homes - especially: Jack Laing, Declan, Theresa Woolford, Mary Keenan, Fabian Sweeney, Christina Flynn, Anna Nugent,

Bishop Malcolm, Pat Aitken, Mary Eaton, Jenny Aitken, Jonathan Lockwood, Rhonda Jones, Callum Mahes, Fr Frank Daly

Prayers this week for: Bella Holland The McCann family and all missing children

The peoples and countries of the world, especially the slave labourers. especially in QATAR

Postbag

Dear Dear Fr. John,

This week I received a letter for the parish from MOTHER of PEACE COMMUNITY.

"Thank you for your recent donations totalling £931.06 to Mother of Peace for which I enclose receipts.

The money that you raise enables us to continue to support the community at Mother of Peace in caring for those children who have no other home. We would like to express our sincere gratitude for all that you do. Thank you again for your support and generosity.

With best wishes,

Linda Edwards, secretary."

Please find the letter in the narthex and look out for a surprise via the Children's liturgy on Sunday! New project coming soon for Advent! Thank you so much everyone, Lynn

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MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNINGS.

Many thanks to all who supported our coffee morning, also those who donated cakes and helped in any way. We raised a total of the £400. (from The Hall Committee).

Dear Father.

Saint John Houghton Catholic Voluntary Academy, Kirk Hallam, Derbyshire are seeking to appoint a Teacher of Religious Education. To apply please telephone 0115 9322896 and ask for an application pack to be sent via email. Closing Date: 24th October 2013

Thank you, Julie Sweeney PS Please remind the people that we have a fine Catholic bookshop at the Diocesan Centre!

Sat. 6.00 pm

Sun. 10.30 am

6.00 pm

Dates for Diary

"Clarity in Today's Muddled Thinking" A Weekend Conference at the Rosmini Centre 19th/20th October A presentation of Blessed Antonio Rosmini's thought and teaching challenging our postmodern world. 10.30 - 4.00 pm each day See web page www.rosminicentre.co.uk. Lunch provided Suggested donation £30. Please register - 01509 813078 or rosminicentreinfo@gmail.com.

World Goa Day Sunday 20th October at Sacred Heart Guild Hall, Mere Road 12.30 - 6.00 pm Come and enjoy our Goan mini fete Entrance fee £2 : See notice board

Race Night at St Joseph's Saturday 26th October, 7.30 pm Tickets (to include Fish & Chip supper) £7.50 (£5) : £20.00 Family ticket (4 persons) See posters around hall and church for details

Next "TWILIGHT" Retreat Wednesday 6th November Our theme is "Saints and Souls"

Prison Fellowship Awareness Evening Monday 25th November 7.30 pm - 9.00 pm Holy Trinity Church, Regent Road, LE1 6WY Further information from justinbloomfield@prisonfellowship.org.uk Telephone 07989 477 887

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Meeting for parents Tuesday 22nd October, 7.00 until 7.30 pm. Please let all interested parents know.

LOURDES 2014

with the Diocese 13th - 19th July and booking forms will be available in the New Year offering a variety of hotels and options starting at £315

with the Parish 11th-18th September at the Hotel St Louis de France £495 to cover all travel (coaches & flights) and full board at the hotel. By booking early we have the same price as this year!

Watermead shop Christmas Cards, Calendars, Cribs, Gifts, etc. now being displayed OPENING TIMES

Tues, Wed, Thur from 10.30 am-3.30 pm Sat 5.00 - 5.55 pm & Sun 11.45 am-12.45 pm Information from from **0116 220 7881 / 0**

PARISH ROTA FOR NEXT WEEKEND Readers

Doreen

Sheila

TBA

Eucharistic Ministers Children's Liturgy Sal Maggs Sister Kathleen / Mary & Debbie Vincent