



# ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH, LEICESTER

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Dear People,

Are you going to Wales again for your holiday this year? You must go to Tenby, a delightful little town with fine sandy beaches and surrounded by beautiful countryside. Just across the water is Caldey Island - the real reason for going to Tenby.

I have spent several times on the island, preaching retreats and staying in the guest house. The monks are most welcoming, and you may stay in the monastery itself or in any of the other properties on the island. In the Catholic press this week is a pleasant picture of life on the island and in the monastery.

One of the monks says: "It's all here. There are gannets, falcons, peregrines, finches, songbirds, robins, goldcrests, long tails. You've got nature, supernature, the peace, the sea, and Jesus Christ as well."

And whom will you meet? The community of monks, aged from 55 to 95, diverse personalities with diverse backgrounds. One was a Formula One racing driver, another read modern languages at Cambridge, then worked in the City. Another was a medical doctor and a founder of HCPT (the Handicapped Children's Pilgrimage Trust), another was a lawyer, and Fr Daniel, the abbot, composed much of the music used in the Divine Office, the daily prayer of priests.

Can you see why I am teasing you? Those men were all successful and happy in their full lives, but were willing to sacrifice all to find God in the peace of monastic life, a whole day dedicated to prayer and quiet work. The glorious invitation in the Christian life is that we can find the same peace - although in different settings. We set the time aside for God, and the inspiration of that time fills everything we do, enriching all our work and recreation and activities.

That men and women choose a monastic life is not surprising because they have discovered that in the depths of everything they wanted God. They inspire us to seek the same loving God.

If you go to Wales, stay on the island for a short holiday, you will share that peace. But you could go anywhere and take your peace with you.

God bless us all,

*Fr. John*

**22nd June 2014 (Prayer Week 4)**  
"The Lord gives himself: Corpus Christi"

## Mass Times and Intentions

### FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

(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 Maura O'Connor, Theresa Price, Perfecta Vega,  
Sid Deakin, Don Pratt, Brian Fahy, John & Cynthia Bunten

### MONDAY 23rd JUNE

(St Etheldreda)

#### 1.00 pm Requiem Mass for Anne Mullins

7.00 pm Mass at St. Joseph's for The Dodge Family

### TUESDAY 24th JUNE

(St Birth of John the Baptist)

10.00 am at St. Joseph's for Peter & Pat Beadle

### WEDNESDAY 25th JUNE

10.00 am at St. Joseph's for Pat & Peter Aitken

### THURSDAY 26th JUNE

10.00 am at St. Joseph's for Family & Friends

### FRIDAY 27th JUNE

(Sacred Heart of Jesus)

7.00 pm at St. Joseph's for The Clements Family

### SATURDAY 28th JUNE

(Immaculate Heart of Mary)

9.30 am at The Rosary Church for John McCormack

### FEAST OF St PETER and St PAUL

(Saturday) 6.00 pm at St. Joseph's

(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm)

### SUNDAY 29th JUNE

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 Anne Mullins, Alison Ecob, Jim & Nancy Earley

### 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

### BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

open every day this week from 10.30 am - 7.00 pm.

*The Parish on Sundays*  
**AT ST JOSEPH'S**  
 DRINKS, LIBRARY, FAIR TRADE  
**AT THE ROSARY CHURCH**  
 DRINKS, CAKE STALL, FAIR TRADE

*Parish Diary This Week*

**Monday 23rd June**  
**QUESTION OF FAITH**. We meet in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel after evening mass. Welcome. We shall discuss this week's postbag letter.

**Wednesday 25th June**  
**MEDITATION** at the Convent today. 10.45 am: Exposition, adoration, quiet prayer, meditation and intercessions. All welcome.

**Thursday 26th June**

**PARISH OPEN DAY at St Joseph's**  
 ~ Hot drinks in the Coffee Shop!  
 Parish Library, Fair Trade Stall,  
 "HOME FROM HOME"  
 Garden and Watermead Shop are all open after the morning Service.

**Saturday 28th June**  
**"TEN TO ONE" RETREAT** here at St Joseph's - see "Dates for Diary".

**Watermead shop**  
 The "Old Stable" Centre  
 (at the back of St. Joseph's Car park)  
**SHOP OPENING TIMES**  
 Tues, Wed, Thur from 10.30 am-3.30 pm  
 (Closed Saturdays). Sun 11.45 am-12.45 pm  
 Information from from 0116 220 7881 / 0  
 www.watermead-apostolate.com

**PILGRIMAGES 2014**

**LOURDES with the Parish**  
 12th - 18th September (Full Board) £495  
 includes flights & airport transfers

**ROME / ASSISI with the Parish**  
 6th - 14th November (B&B)  
 £398 + cost of flight on day of booking  
 We now have 2 days in Assisi and 6 in Rome  
 38 places booked.

**Malta Pilgrimage 2015**

**17th-24th February** (8 days)  
 £399  
**17th-28th February** (12 days)  
 £560  
 Malta price covers flights, airport transfers (from & to East Midlands) half board at the 4 star Preluna hotel. Please tell Fr John if interested. £25 deposit secures place. (35 places already booked)

Last week's collection was safely counted and banked. **£916**  
 Thank you. *Counters this week : Gail & Keith*  
*(Next week: Margaret)* **NEW COUNTING ROTAS IN SACRISTY**

**Prayer Box**

Please pray for:  
**Families of the parish**  
**and our loved ones living and dead**

*The sick and housebound, those in hospital and in nursing homes - especially:*

Jack Laing, Declan, Fabian Sweeney, Christina Flynn, Anna Nugent, Pat Aitken, Jenny Aitken, Jonathan Lockwood

*Prayers for:* Theresa Price, Ellen McDonagh

*The McCann family and all missing children*

*The peoples and countries of the world, especially IRAQ & SYRIA*

**Postbag**

A letter in this week's Tablet.

"I live in Oxford, where, working for many years in sexual health, I was increasingly witness to practices in the Muslim community which were clear and unequivocal rejection of the values and laws we take for granted here. Whether forced marriage, domestic violence, female genital mutilation, or female patients attending the clinic not being allowed to be seen without their husbands, and most recently the fallout from the abuse of vulnerable girls by Asian men in the city, what I saw, I believe, was what happens when Islam is unchallenged by a society. One has only to look at practically any continent now to see the consequences of unfettered Islam: whether the plight of Christian minorities or women and children, this is the direction of travel for all who espouse sharia law; indeed, it should be noticed that in this country we already have over 100 sharia courts which have been shown to contradict or ignore both British law and justice as understood by all of us working to best practice within the health and social sectors, particularly with women."

from Stephen Cole, Oxford

Fr John writes: *Mr Cole writes his letter as part of the debate about those who stigmatise those who practice the Muslim faith. Where do you stand on this now world issue? The horror of what is happening in Northern Iraq where the inspiration of ISIS demands the execution of anyone deemed an apostate or infidel - and this includes moderate Muslims, and the entire Shia and Kurdish populations.*

*Our world politicians are facing a terrible dilemma. the whole peace and stability of that region is under threat.*

*We are all involved. Many of us have good Muslim neighbours and friends who would be condemned with us by extremists. We pray that God will guide us in the free world to bring justice and peace.*

**Dates for Diary**

**'CANNONS'**

An evening of fun, music & prayer led by the Briars

**Monday 23rd June, 7-9 pm**

St Patrick's, Leicester.

More info on [www.ndcys.com](http://www.ndcys.com)

**"TEN 2 ONE" Retreat**

(10.30 am -1.00 pm) at St Joseph's

**Saturday 28th June**

The theme is "Peter and Paul"

Talks, Music, Prayer led by Fr John

**English Martyrs Pilgrimages**

**Rodsley**

in honour of St Robert & St Nicholas

**Sunday 29th June**

**Padley**

in honour of St Robert & St Nicholas

**Sunday 13th July**

**Open Day**

at the Briars (Diocesan Youth Centre)

Crich, Derbyshire, for **CAFOD**

**Sunday 29th June**

Mass : 1.00 pm, followed by Barbecue, Activities & Barn Dance

**Annual Rosary Rally**

at Grace Dieu Manor

**Sunday 24th August**

to pray for world peace & young people

Mass at 3.00 pm, followed by picnic,

Rosary & Benediction at 5.00 pm

See poster in church porch.

God has no phone  
 But I still talk to him  
 God has no Facebook  
 But he is still my friend  
 God does not have a twitter  
 But I still follow him



**In this week's Catholic press . . .**

The former president of Ireland, Mary McAleese, has claimed that it is "completely bonkers" for celibate men to advise the Pope about family life. Is she right? She said it in a public discussion reported by the Irish Times at the University College, Dublin. She said she had responded to the Vatican's questionnaire on the family with her question "How many of the men who will gather to advise you as Pope on the family have ever changed a baby's nappy?"

**PARISH ROTA FOR NEXT WEEKEND**

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	NEW ROTAS NEEDED FOR MINISTRIES ALL NOW EXPIRED
Sat. 6.00 pm	Doreen	Sal	
Sun. 10.30 am	Payl	Sister Kathleen / Mary Vincent	
6.00 pm	TBA		