



# ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH, LEICESTER

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Dear People,

The Catholic press gives excellent coverage of Pope Francis' visit to Ireland and the World Meeting of Families last week. We may order more copies as you tell each other how good the reports are.

There is also the unpleasant news about Archbishop Vignaro who has called upon the Pope to resign over his mishandling of child abuse cases and especially the case of Cardinal McCarrick. You can read the essential details in the press or the full eleven-page document on the internet. Pope Francis urges us to read the document for ourselves before we judge him. He will comment later.

Pope Francis told us he had heard nothing of the mother and baby homes in Ireland (more horrifying news startled him last week) nor of the Magdalen laundries. Someone should have told him of the cruelty in these institutions over many years. He knows now the full picture of child abuse and cruelty, mass graves, forced adoptions. In this part of the full story the Taoiseach (Irish Prime Minister), Leo Varadkar, said the blame lies with State and Church and there needs to be full reparation.

The Pope looked tired but happy in his visit and the crowds welcomed him. The numbers were low, estimated 200,000 in contrast to the 1,500,000 who greeted Pope John Paul II in 1979. Today's Ireland is very different from the Ireland of 1979 - but we share the joy of the people that he came and that he listened. Now, with them, we wait for action.

The Catholic press this week is good - Tablet, Universe, Times, and I urge you to buy a regular copy of one of them. I have offered to sign a contract with the Universe and Times that will enable us to sell them at just £1 instead of £1.50. Please support them. If just six people at each mass buy a copy they will all be sold and you can share the paper with family and friends. If you want to keep up with news of the Catholic world please read the papers. They serve us well.

The world, we know, is watching. The Church is wide open to criticism and judgement. We accept. We have to. God bless us to put things right.

Fr. John

**2nd September 2018 (Prayer Week 2)**

"Pope Francis, we pray for him.  
He needs courage and decisiveness"

## Mass Times and Intentions

### 23rd 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)

for Filipe Noronha, Kathleen McKenney,

Ania, Pat Moore

### MONDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER

(St Gregory the Great, Pope)

7.00 pm at St Joseph's for Arthur & Sorca Bowley

### TUESDAY 4th SEPTEMBER

(St Cuthbert)

10.00 am at St Joseph's for Family Blessing

### WEDNESDAY 5th SEPTEMBER

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

### THURSDAY 6th SEPTEMBER

10.00 am at St Joseph's for Joao Bosco Rebello

### FRIDAY 7th SEPTEMBER

7.00 pm at St Joseph's for Children in the Womb

### SATURDAY 8th SEPTEMBER

(Our Lady's Birthday)

9.30 am at The Rosary Church for Family & Friends

### 24th SUNDAY OF YEAR (B)

(Saturday) 6.00 pm at St Joseph's

(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm)

### SUNDAY 9th 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 Sonia Peters, Catherine Regan, Peter Smiles

### 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 - 6.30 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 4th September

**St JOSEPH'S TABLE** open today from 10.40 am - 3.30 pm (2.45 pm last serving of special menu of week - see details below). Parish library, Garden, Home from Home, Watermead shop are also open.

**WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm**

**CHOIR PRACTICE** tonight, 7.30 pm.

### Wednesday 5th September

**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 6th September

**PARISH OPEN DAY** - hot drinks in Coffee Shop after the morning service (Library, and Garden are also open). All welcome.

**WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm**

### Friday 7th September

**THE MIRIAM PRAYER GROUP** meet at 6.00 pm for faith sharing and Rosary. All welcome, in church or chapel.

## St Joseph's Table

### This Week's Specials

Soup - Pea & Mint

Lunchtime specials - Gammon

served with potatoes & fresh vegetables

(Please come before 2.45 pm to avoid disappointment)

Quiche of the week & Salad, Sandwiches, etc.

Dessert - Apple Pie

(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 from 0116 220 7881 / 0

www.watermead-apostolate.com

## 260 Club

### This Months Winners!

No.58 wins £75; No.179 wins £50;

No.94 wins £50; No.64 wins £50;

No.141 wins £35.

## CHURCH ROTAS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. 6.00 pm	Doreen	Susan
Sun. 9.00 am	Bob	-
10.30 am	Ann	Gerry / Sister Lelia
6.00 pm	TBA	Marie

Last week's collection was safely counted and banked. **£1,061**

\*(Special RASH Collection £70)

Thank you. Counters : John & June

(Next week: Pauline & Christine)

\*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**

Fabian, Declan, Jenny, Jonathan, Chris, Maria, Jennifer, Pat, Mary, Anna, Patrick, Olven

Prayers for: Mary, Jill, Ania, Bob

The McCann family and all missing children

The peoples and countries of the world,  
especially YEMEN, KERALA,  
VENEZUALA & their refugees  
in neighbouring countries, CAMEROON

## ➔ Parish Pilgrimages 2019/20 ➔

Dear People,

**Stresa** was wonderful: glorious weather, days out together and in our smaller family/friends' groups, mass each day and blessing prayers on the coach. We prayed at the tomb of Antonio Rosmini, founder of the religious congregation to which I belong, and I shared many happy memories of my student days when we were on our coach trips together. Lake Maggiore is beautiful.

Our hotel was excellent, the staff welcoming and friendly. They told us that we were the nicest groups they have had - last year's and this year's. What a compliment for us.

We shall go again in 2020. I have asked the hotel if we can book two weeks: either **13th-19th** and **19th-25th** or **14th-20th** and **20th-26th**, thus allowing 100 people to come (bank holiday Monday is 31st August in 2020).

Please confirm your interest and preferred week with a £20 deposit, that we shall give the hotel as sign of our commitment. If places become spare some people might like to book the two weeks, but I would like to give as many people as possible the opportunity we had this year - magical, sunlit days.

The deposit is a protection because sometimes people say they are interested, reserve a place that prevents other people have the place and then drop out. Some people have even asked me to book and pay their air fare and then change their minds and refused to pay me back for their flight booking! They don't come again.

**Assisi, Florence, Pisa, Siena in 2019.** The plan is for **September 17th-27th**. Group A flies out Tuesday 17th, stays 3 days in Assisi and then comes to our hotel near Florence for 4 days. There they are joined by Group B and one hundred of us have 4 days together. Group A goes home on 24th September and Group B goes for 3 days to Assisi. This was the only way we could accommodate all those who wanted to come. Again, I ask for a £20 deposit to confirm your interest. Then we shall know actual numbers rather than interested numbers. We work on trust and small margins and risk being taken advantage of. Once.

Our pilgrimages are so happy. Thank you to everyone who has travelled with us over the years and shared the happiness. Fr John

## POSTBAG

Clive writes to thank our Stresa pilgrims for our concern, prayers and good wishes. He is making a steady recovery under the watchful eyes of Jane and the family. We are happy at the good recovery.

"Truth, according to the Christian faith, is God's love for us in Jesus Christ. Therefore, truth is a relationship."  
(Pope Francis)

## Dates for Diary

### Still the Same People

A diocesan day for people wishing to support those living with dementia and their carers

**Saturday 6th October, 11 am - 3 pm**

at Our Lady of Lourdes, Mickleover, Derby

Details from Fr Frank Daley on tel. 01455 634443 or email hinckleypriory@gmail.com

### A DIOCESAN DAY OF RENEWAL

at St Mary's Primary Academy, Grimsby

**Saturday 6th October, 10 am - 5.30 pm**

All are welcome. Booking is essential so please call 01472 342 301 or email holytrinitygci@gmail.com

### Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland 8th October 2018

£599 per person sharing (Single Supplement £100). Contact Patricia 01268 762 278 or 07740175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com

### LACY (Leicestershire Active Catholic Youth):

Our next meeting will take place this coming **Wednesday, 5th September**, at The Divine Infant of Prague, Broad Street, Syston, LE7 1GH. The meeting will begin at 7.30 pm and conclude at 9.00 pm. We warmly invite all young people, young adults and those of any age who would like to come along and help us to plan future events for our young people. We always need new thoughts and ideas! Help us to plan our upcoming event of "Praise and Worship" to be held on 30th September! Come with your friends and those interested in working with the youth. We look forward to seeing you. Contact paulinepayne@hotmail.com or iancardwell50@hotmail.com.

## 1968 ~ 2018

### We celebrate St Joseph's Church's 50th anniversary on the weekend of 22nd/23rd September.

I am organising a May Queen Procession on the afternoon of our Sunday celebrations and would love to hear from anyone who wishes to be involved. I would like the procession to be led by children who have recently made their First Holy Communion (in the last 2 years). We will be singing traditional May Queen hymns which I'm sure we all remember. Everybody is invited to re-live their Holy Communion procession - we may even get some May Queens. If you would like to take part please contact me. Thank you. Mags 07419129178

It is hoped that the church will be open to visitors all weekend offering a welcome and refreshments to all visitors. We need help with refreshments, welcoming, putting exhibits together, etc. For those who would like to help, offer ideas, etc. we shall have planning meeting on either **Tuesday 11th** or **Wednesday 12th September**, dependent on people's preference. If you would like to be involved and can offer help in any way please tell Fr John or contact Alison on 0116 2207881 - and, if you can, come to the meeting.

### St Joseph's at 50 : Did You Know . . . ?



The May Queen 1943