



ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH, LEICESTER

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Dear People,

Today I celebrate 50 years of priesthood. Thank you for being here in your prayer, as are all those I would love to see today but who are here, also, in prayer.

There were 600 people in my home church of St Alban's in Cardiff that happy day in 1967 - family, brethren, friends, neighbours and parishioners whom I had always known. I knew everyone in the church. It was a glorious day.

And so have been the succeeding years, serving God and the Church in various ways and in different places. The beginnings in Cardiff, a happy family and good friends in our Welsh homeland and Irish Catholic community - these were the foundations of my life. A desire to live and serve God developed deep within me and I knew that would be my first choice if I were accepted. I was, and the Institute of Charity (the Rosminians, named after Antonio Rosmini, our founder) guided my vocation.

They sent me to study at Cambridge University (three fascinating years, taught by well-known scholars and playing rugby and cricket alongside international players), to Rome (four wonderful years), to Ratcliffe and Yorkshire to teach (more happy years), allowed me to go on loan to an inspiring Bishop O'Grady in his missionary diocese on the edge of the Canadian wilderness (two breath-taking years), sent me to New Zealand to open our novitiate house, teach and preach retreats (three more wonderful years), brought me home to Newport in Wales, near family and friends for eight more happy years, then to Wisbech in East Anglia for six happy years of parish and diocesan work, and finally to Leicester in 1990 where I have been very happy at St Theresa's and St Joseph's.

Could anyone be more blessed, I wonder? I grew up Welsh and Irish, became proudly British, in Rome knew I was European and of the Universal Church, and in Canada finally realised I simply wanted to be part of the human family. I had arrived. God had allowed me to experience what I might never have been able to understand.

And all the time God was there. Our Rosminian way of life asks three hours of prayer each day - all my loved ones, living and dead, all the people and students I have served, all there each day in my prayer. How much more happiness must I bear before God calls me home?

Today, I thank God and everyone. I have been so blessed.

God bless us,

Fr. John

2nd July 2017 (Prayer Week 1)

"God fills the earth with love"

Mass Times and Intentions

13th SUNDAY OF YEAR (A)

(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 Reg & Mary Lowe, Grandma's grandsons,

Children in the Womb, Joaquim Rebello,

Winifred Connolly, Special Intention

MONDAY 3rd JULY

(St Thomas, Apostle)

7.00 pm at St. Joseph's *for Alec Hill*

TUESDAY 4th JULY

(St Elizabeth of Portugal)

10.00 am at St. Joseph's

for Margaret Murray and for Margaret Kroger

WEDNESDAY 5th JULY

(St Anthony Zaccaria, Priest)

10.00 am at St. Joseph's *for Holy Souls*

THURSDAY 6th JULY

(St Maria Goretti)

10.00 am at St. Joseph's *for Special Intention*

FRIDAY 7th JULY

7.00 pm at St. Joseph's *for Ben Cassidy*

SATURDAY 8th JULY

9.30 am at The Rosary Church *for Colette Wright*

14th SUNDAY OF YEAR (A)

(Saturday) 6.00 pm at St. Joseph's

(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm)

SUNDAY 9th JULY

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 Sarah Boyd, Dylan Jarrett, Michael Staples,

Hughie McHugh, Felix Cassidy, Sarah Brady

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

open every day this week from 10.30 am - 6.30 pm.

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

The Parish on Sundays



Hot (and cold) drinks after mass on Sunday mornings at both our churches. (Library, Lourdes Garden, "Home from Home" Shop, Watermead Shop open at St Joseph's).

Parish Diary This Week

Tuesday 4th July

St JOSEPH'S TABLE open today from 10.40 am - 3.30 pm. Special menu of the week (see below), along with all the usual hot/cold food and homebakes.

Note that parish facilities (Library, Home from Home shop, Garden, Watermead) will also be available during opening hours.

WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm

Wednesday 5th July

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

FR PETER COYLE Requiem Mass is 7.00 pm at St Edwards, Aylestone.

Thursday 6th July

PARISH OPEN DAY - hot drinks in Coffee Shop after the morning service (library, Home from Home, Garden). All welcome.

WATERMEAD SHOP OPEN 10.30 am-3.30 pm

FR PETER COYLE Requiem Mass is 12.00 noon at St Edwards, Aylestone.

Friday 7th July

THE MIRIAM PRAYER GROUP meet in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at 6.00 pm for faith-sharing and Rosary. All welcome.

St Joseph's Table

Summer Specials Menu has arrived!

Summer Light Option - Pea Soup

Lunchtime specials - English loin of Pork served with Champ mash, roasted vegetables, gravy and apple sauce

Various Salads available on request including Coronation Chicken (Ploughman's platter also available)

Dessert - Choice of Summer puddings

Watermead shop

REGULAR 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

Last week's collection was safely counted and banked. **£1,067**
*(Special RASH Collection £140)

Thank you. *Counters: Tony*
(Next week: Gail & Keith)

*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
especially for those who have recently died:

Margaret Kroger (RIP)

Fabian, Declan, Jenny, Jonathan,
Jennifer, Pat, Mary, Patrick

Prayers for: Colette, John, Robert, Colin

The McCann family and all missing children

The peoples and countries of the world,
especially Iraq and Syria



A Novena for Madeleine and all Missing Children



We pray that Blessed Antonio Rosmini will act on our behalf, praying with us, as we earnestly ask that Our Lord, to whom each child is precious, will return dear Madeleine and all missing children to their families. We also pray that the Church will seek every means possible to highlight the plight of missing and exploited children throughout the world.

Most holy Mother of Sorrows, to whom Blessed Rosmini consecrated his Institute of Charity, we pray you to intercede with your Son, our Lord, to hear our humble prayers, Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be.....

Please say this prayer each day starting on the 1st July, Blessed Antonio's Feast Day, until the 9th July, which is the anniversary of Madeleine's baptism.

Blessed Antonio Rosmini is the founder of the religious order to which Fr John belongs. His tomb is at Stresa where we shall go in August. He was a wonderful saintly man.

Pope Francis says "People enter the Church and its mission through baptism. We all come in through the same door. Through baptism every Christian is a disciple of the Lord, salt for the earth, light of the world."

PASSPORT TO WALES

LLANFIARPWLLGWYNGYLLGOGERYCHWYRNDROPWLLLLANTYSILIOGOGOGCH

This is the second longest place name in the world. It means: "The church of Mary in the hollow of the white hazel near the fierce whirlpool and the church of Tysilio by the red cave." Please learn the meaning and the pronunciation and the parish will send you to any part of Wales you choose.

260 Club

This Months Winners!

No.164 wins £75; No.99 wins £50;
No.22 wins £50; No.189 wins £50;
No.258 wins £35.

CHURCH ROTAS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat. 6.00 pm	Kate	Cecilia
Sun. 9.00 am	Alan	-
10.30 am	Ann	Anne G / Sister Lelia
6.00 pm	TBA	Vincent



Isabelle,
Euan, Rylee

Today make their First Holy Communion.
We pray for them and their families.

Dates for Diary

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Padley Sunday 9th July

to honour the martyrs Nicholas Garlick and Robert Ludlam (Full details on notice board).

Our next "Twilight" Retreat

Wednesday 12th July, 7-9 pm

Prayer, Talks, Music led by Fr John
Theme THE HOLY TRINITY AND SPIRIT
In the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. All welcome.

→ Pilgrimages 2018 →

Malta: 30th Jan - 6th Feb / or 30th Jan - 11th Feb

All travel and hotel at half board
8 (£420 approx), 12 days (£565 approx)

Rome, 9th - 15th November

All travel and bed & breakfast at hotel
7 days (£595 approx)

Late Spring or Summer:

Padua, Venice & Assisi

All travel and hotels at half board
8 days (£595 approx)

Bookings are being made. Ask Fr John

POSTBAG

Dear People,

For some while I have had difficulty in walking. No pain, simply difficulty. But suddenly the pain came, in Lourdes on our pilgrimage in May. I asked Our Lady for a little miracle and Alison gave me a folding up walking stick.

I saw the doctor when I came home. He sent me for an X-ray which showed my hip has weakened. I shall need an operation in a few weeks and the consultant has told me not to risk walking through the pain barrier (I had been trying to) for fear of causing too much damage. So I can't come to visit with Holy Communion as I have loved doing, and I can't do my ordinary family and people visiting.

I can still do everything at the churches (very little walking involved) and even at the school where the children are used to seeing my stick. I can sit comfortably, come to the Rosary Church, take funerals, and I can pray. I'm enjoying the extra hours of prayer and "go visiting" in every part of the parish, remembering pleasant visits over the years. Holy Communion for everyone at home will be arranged.

In a couple of months I should be back to normal, I've been told, and I know how well everything will be covered in the parish. We have been complimented on how well every aspect of parish life is covered. One of our priests told me how wonderfully the people of this parish fulfil the life of the Church. Fr John

The above is part of a letter I am writing to all the sick at home and in our nursing homes.