

# The Catholic Church of St Peter & St Paul Lincoln

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PSALTER WEEK 1		Intentions
<b>Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> December 10am</b> Mass streamed	<b>Feast of Saint Stephen, Proto-Martyr</b> Jim and Jimmy Williams RIP (Remembered at Christmas)	
<b>Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> December</b> <b>9am</b> Mass streamed <b>11am</b> Mass NOT streamed	<b>FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY</b> Katie McCoy RIP and Mick McCoy RIP (Missed and loved always and Remembered at Christmas) People of the Parish	
<b>Monday 28<sup>th</sup> December</b> No Mass	<b>Feast of the Holy Innocents, Martyrs</b> -	
<b>Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am</b> Mass streamed	<b>Feast of Saint Thomas of Canterbury (Becket) Bishop and Martyr</b> Dick Conway RIP	
<b>Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am</b> Mass streamed	<b>Sixth day within the Octave of Christmas</b> Mrs Reynolds RIP	
<b>Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> December</b> No Mass	<b>Seventh day within the Octave of Christmas</b> -	
<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021 9.30am</b> Mass streamed	<b>Mary, The Holy Mother of God (Solemnity)</b> 90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday of Imelda Bush (4 <sup>th</sup> January 2021) and 10 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Jim Bush	
<b>Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 6pm</b> Mass streamed	<b>Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors (Memorial)</b> Charles Shields RIP and the dead of the Shields family	
<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> January</b> <b>9am</b> Mass streamed <b>11am</b> Mass NOT streamed	<b>SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS</b> People of the Parish Maureen Batchelor RIP	

Readers	This	TBA	TBA	TBA
	Next	TBA	TBA	TBA
Tea & Coffee	This	SUSPENDED		
	Next	SUSPENDED		
Cleaners	This	SUSPENDED		
	Next	SUSPENDED		
Footsteps	This	SUSPENDED		
	Next	SUSPENDED		
Exposition	This	SUSPENDED		
	Next	SUSPENDED		
Stewards	This	Stuart and Jo	Alison, Val and Philomena	Sue and Jude
	Next	TBA	TBA	TBA

COLLECTION		Sincere thanks for your kind donations. The parish relies upon your generosity!	SECOND COLLECTION
Standing Orders	529.00	<b>HUNGRY BOX:</b> £ -	Suspended
Envelopes	37.00	<b>UGANDA COFFEE</b> (Wednesday) 2020/2021: £ -	£
Loose Plate	130.80	<b>300 CLUB:</b>	
Forms to join the club are in the Parish Centre. <u>NEW MEMBERS WELCOME</u>			

**ENTERING HOSPITAL:** Please let us know if you or a relative enter hospital, we will do what we can to assist you.

**SUNDAY OBLIGATION:** A reminder that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass is suspended in the dioceses of England and Wales.

**PASTORAL VISITS:** Currently suspended, except for end of life.

**CONFESSIONS:** By arrangement with Fr Eddy, please call 01522 696838.

**NEWSLETTERS:** Anyone wishing to receive the weekly newsletter via email or the postal service please contact the parish office or post your contact details through the door of 2a.

**PARISH SECRETARY:** Will be in the office on Wednesday and Thursday from 10am-4pm

**CHRISTMAS STAMPS COLLECTION for The Medical Detection Dogs:** Please put your collected stamps in a sealed envelope and post them through the door of 2a when you come to Mass. Please DO NOT leave them anywhere in the Church. Thank you

Dear Parishioners,

When we were celebrating Christmas last year and wishing each other a 'Happy New Year' who could have foreseen the year that 2020 has turned out to be. It has been a year like no other and I am sure we are all hoping and praying that we will see a return to something like normality soon in 2021.

As we reflect on the Christmas story we are reminded that Jesus was born in difficult and strange times too. Jesus came to 'dwell among us' not in glory and power, but rather in poverty and humility. If we find ourselves asking the question 'where is God in our present situation?' then recalling the circumstances of the birth of Jesus is a good guide as to where we are to find him.

Although there have been many challenges for us all this year, the pandemic has given us an opportunity to reach out to others in compassion and service. Our parish and our parishioners have been involved in many initiatives such as supporting the Foodbank and delivering shopping and medicines to people who were self-isolating and hopefully this is something we can continue to be part of in the future.

After a few months when the church had to be closed we were able to resume public Masses in the summer. This has only been possible because of our stewards who have given freely and generously of their time to keep us safe in our church. A big 'thank you' to them and to everyone else who has been involved behind the scenes in making it possible for us to re-open and to be open over Christmas.

Finally may I wish you and your families a 'Merry Christmas' together with an assurance of my continuing thoughts and prayers as we hope for a better and happier New Year.

Father Eddy Jarosz  
(Parish Priest)

Thank you to all those members of the parish  
who helped prepare our Church for  
the celebration of Christmas

**THANK YOU** to everyone who donated a toy/seasonal gift for the children at The Priory Witham Academy. They were really overwhelmed at the generosity of the parish as 2020 has been such a difficult year for so many people. Thank you also for all the donations you have given for the local Food Bank this Christmas.

**LIVE SIMPLY:** Can everyone currently doing the Live Simply Challenge please let me have your totals this weekend so that I can publish in the newsletter the total for December. May I take this opportunity to wish everyone on behalf of the Live Simply team a happy and Holy Christmas at this the most difficult time. Many thanks, Tony.

**LINCOLN DEANERY CHOIR CHRISTMAS CD** now available to order. £5 each, all profits to Age UK. Please reserve your copy by calling 03455 564144 (Age UK). The Deanery Choir have also prepared a Carol Service for you to use at home and this is available on the parish youtube page.

**COVID-19 VACCINATION:** In September 2020 the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales issued a statement on Covid-19 and vaccination. In the light of the recent breakthrough they have issued a follow up statement. Both statements can be read on the Bishops' Conference website:

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/our-work/health-social-care/coronavirus-guidelines/update-on-covid-19-and-vaccination/>

**PASTORAL VISITS:** Clergy and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion have been advised not to make pastoral visits to parishioners whilst we are in a Tier 3 area. Please continue to keep in touch with one another by phone or e-mail. An exception will be made if 'end of life' ministry is required.

**LIVESTREAMING:** Our livestreaming service can be accessed at [www.churchservices.tv/lincoln](http://www.churchservices.tv/lincoln) or through the 'web-cam' tab on the parish web-site. Sunday Mass will be at 9am and weekday Mass will usually be at 9.30am although check the newsletter and the on-line schedule for any changes. If you can't make Mass 'live' then a recording will usually be available within an hour of the end of Mass.

## DIARY DATES

### CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS AND BEYOND WITH THE DIOCESE OF NOTTINGHAM:

**'Being a disciple web series':** January is a time when we try and work at being a better person, why not explore how we can grow as a disciple of Jesus? On the 4 Thursdays of January we will explore a different aspect of what it means to be a Catholic disciple with Brendan Thompson the CEO of Catholic Voices in a web series on Zoom. Catholic Voices are an international organisation that shares the Good News in the global media. This will be a great foundation for parishes, chaplaincies and individuals to explore how we can support each other in growing as Catholic disciples. Register for the series here: [zoom.us/meeting/register/tJMrcuygqjwpGdNBRC5NIQ46Eu1bleEg246A](https://zoom.us/join/zoom/register/tJMrcuygqjwpGdNBRC5NIQ46Eu1bleEg246A)  
For information on how to access things on zoom visit: [https://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/information/diocesan-commissions/01\\_commission-adult-formation/using-zoom](https://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/information/diocesan-commissions/01_commission-adult-formation/using-zoom)

**ST PETER & ST PAUL'S PRAYER GROUP:** The Prayer Group meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month on Zoom. You would be very welcome to join us. Next meeting **12<sup>th</sup>** and **26<sup>th</sup> January** from 7.30-9pm at the latest. **ID- 498 066 3426 Password- 999198.**

### AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were already there  
and unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

