

# The Catholic Church of St Peter & St Paul Lincoln

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PSALTER WEEK 4		INTENTIONS
<b>Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> March</b> 6pm Mass streamed	<b>Lenten Feria</b> Christine Halton RIP	
<b>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> March</b> 9am Mass streamed 11am Mass NOT streamed	<b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT – LAETARE SUNDAY</b> People of the Parish Paddy McLoughlin RIP (3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary) and deceased members of the McLoughlin family	
<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March</b> No Mass	<b>Lenten Feria</b> -	
<b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> March</b> 9.30am Mass streamed	<b>Lenten Feria</b> Gordon Prentice RIP	
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> March</b> 9.30am Mass streamed	<b>Feast of Saint Patrick, Bishop, Patron of Ireland</b> Katie and Mick McCoy RIP (Remembered and Much Missed)	
<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> March</b> 9.30am Mass streamed	<b>Lenten Feria</b> Marie RIP	
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March</b> Streamed 6.30pm NO CONGREGATION	<b>Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Solemnity)</b> Stations of the Cross intercessions before the Blessed Sacrament (available for you to watch on the parish YouTube channel)	
<b>Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> March</b> 6pm Mass streamed	<b>Lenten Feria</b> Gordon Clarkson RIP	
<b>Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> March</b> 9am Mass streamed 11am Mass NOT streamed	<b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (PASSION SUNDAY)</b> Peter Brogan RIP People of the Parish	

Readers	This	H Levey	P Porter	L Roberts
	Next	Y Buckingham	C Scanlon	J Mitchell
Tea & Coffee	This	SUSPENDED		
	Next	SUSPENDED		
Cleaners	This	SUSPENDED		
	Next	SUSPENDED		
Footsteps	This	SUSPENDED		
	Next	SUSPENDED		
Exposition	This	SUSPENDED		
	Next	SUSPENDED		
Stewards	This	6pm – Nat and Ted	9am – Julie and Philomena	11am – Sue and Jude
	Next	6pm – Nat and Ted	9am – Julie and Jon	11am – Sue and Jude

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

**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, please call 01522 696838.

**PARISH SECRETARY:** Will be in the office on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 10am-4pm.

**PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES FOR 2021/2022:** Will be available end of March beginning of April; please do collect if you can, or give permission via the parish office for them to be delivered to your home address. If you would like to continue with the envelope system please call Alison Guz on 01522 811099 to confirm this giving your name, address and phone number. If you wish to change to standing order please contact the parish office for details. Thank you.

**IF SOMEONE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD DISPLAYS ANY OF THE SYMPTOMS OF COVID19, YOU MUST STAY AT HOME**

If you are shielding, please continue to protect yourself by staying at home, and praying for the Parish community. Our Stewards will assist you in managing arriving and leaving our church safely. Face coverings **MUST** be worn unless you are exempt from doing so.

Please sanitise your hands on entry to the church and you **MUST** keep your distance inside and outside the building. Thank you.

**CHRISM MASS:** This year the Chrism Mass will be closed to the general public due to the restrictions on numbers permitted to gather for public worship during the time of the Covid-19 Pandemic, only members of the presbyterate have been invited to attend. The Mass will be live streamed and recorded and can be watched via the Cathedral website: [stbarnabascathedral.org.uk](http://stbarnabascathedral.org.uk)

**A REFLECTION ON THIS SUNDAY'S GOSPEL:** After Jesus' conversation with Nicodemus comes this reflection on his visit. Is it Jesus' reflection or the Evangelist's? The text does not make it clear. Throughout the Gospel of John people are coming to Jesus and judging themselves by their reactions to Jesus. The Father judges no one but has given all judgment to the Son. In his turn the Son does not judge, but we judge ourselves by our reaction to him. So, at the wedding at Cana the disciples believe in him and see his glory. In the Temple, the Jews refuse belief and are condemned. Then comes Nicodemus in secret and fear. He is sitting on the fence, afraid of the Pharisees, but by the time of the burial he has decided for Jesus. After Nicodemus comes the Samaritan women, cheeky and unbelieving at first, but won over by Jesus' playful persistence. And so on: the Jews on one side, the man healed at the Pool of Bethzatha on the other; Jews on one side, the man blind from birth on the other. The decision is ours too: when confronted by Jesus do we come to the light that our deeds may be known, or do we shun the light?

**CANON GEOFFREY:** For information Canon Geoffrey will generally take Mondays as his day off.

#### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CANDIDATES 2020:**

Dear Parents,  
Due to the Covid situation it was not possible to have our usual celebration during 2020.

For those children who have made their First Reconciliation during 2020, parents are encouraged to get in touch with Canon Geoffrey to book in to one of the weekend Masses for your child to make their First Holy Communion; Canon Geoffrey will make it as special as possible for your child and yourselves under the present circumstances. There would only be the opportunity for Parents and Siblings to attend by booking a pew under the present booking system.

It is important that parents take this opportunity, as we will soon start preparing the current Year 3s for their First Holy Communion.

Please contact Canon Geoffrey via:  
[geoffrey.hunton@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:geoffrey.hunton@dioceseofnottingham.uk)

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021:** We are hoping to start classes on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> April with the final celebration on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> July. The classes will take place in the Church complying with the current roadmap to Covid recovery and respecting social distancing. Classes will start at 9.30am and run through till midday. At the end of the session the area that has been used will have to be sanitised prior to the evening Mass and we will be asking parents to assist in this.

If you have a child wishing to make their 1<sup>st</sup> Communion this year please get an application form from Canon Geoffrey, the Parish Secretary in 2a or myself, Stan Davis (normally at the 11am Sunday Mass). Please feel free to call me on 07703 234433 for further details.

**THANK YOU:** I would like to thank everyone for their cards, prayers and get well messages during this past six months of my illness. In time I hope to see you all again. Love, Maureen Ward.

**THANK YOU:** Please accept my heartfelt thanks for the messages of comfort received, and the prayers offered on my behalf, following the death of my husband towards the end of last year. They made an enormous difference. May God continue to bless you. Mavis Pearman

**LIFT FROM SAXILBY:** May I ask if we have a parishioner who attends the 6pm Saturday evening Mass and who resides at Saxilby to please offer a lift. I will of course pay for my part of the expense. Thank you. Joan Murphy If you can help please call the Parish Office for contact details.

**WALKING WITH CHRIST ON THE WAY OF THE CROSS, IN THE TIME OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC - Online Resource for Lent 2021:** The Stations of the Cross begins and ends in the beautiful Pugin Blessed Sacrament Chapel of the Cathedral of St. Barnabas. As we journey together with Christ on the road towards Calvary, so we meditate and pray at different Stations along the way, where we hear short meditations and reflections from

several students, filmed by them from wherever they are based during this time of the Pandemic. <https://youtu.be/dQ09wqJcxX0>

**PRAYER FOR THIS LENTEN FAST:** Loving God, we hear your call to all who thirst for a brighter future: Come to the water. Pour out your Spirit upon us and lead us to walk alongside one another. Let a desire for change well up within us. May we overflow with compassion and love. And as a stream wears away stone, may we reshape our world together to reflect your kingdom of hope for all. Amen.

**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.



Think about turning down your heating as the weather (hopefully) improves. 2 degrees makes a huge difference to energy usage.

#### **DIARY DATES**

**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 **23<sup>rd</sup> March** from 7.30-9pm at the latest. **ID- 498 066 3426 Password- 999198.**

On 8 December 2020, Pope Francis announced that there would be a Year of St Joseph from 8 December 2020 to 8 December 2021. This was to celebrate the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of St Joseph being declared the Patron of the Universal Church. To join in these celebrations the Diocese has produced a Novena to St Joseph leading to his feast day 19 March. The Novena takes as its focus the different groups or causes that claim St Joseph as their Patron Saint, as well as the themes of Pope Francis' letter launching the year. The Novena can be downloaded as a whole booklet from the Nottingham diocesan website or you can email: [adult.formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:adult.formation@dioceseofnottingham.uk) with 'St Joseph Novena' in the subject line to receive daily emails with the prayers for that day between **10-18 March.**

**DEMENTIA PRAYER WEEK 12<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> March:** For more information and resources please visit <https://www.rpbooks.co.uk/dementia-prayer-week>

**BISHOP PATRICK'S LENTEN TALKS** - You are invited to join Bishop Patrick and people from across the diocese this Lent in reflecting on our relationship with God. To be a disciple of Jesus means to know and love him, but to also know we are known and loved by him too. **Knowing the Love of God** (understanding our identity as God's sons and daughters) -**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm.**

The talk will include input from Bishop Patrick, a time for questions and answers, and small group discussion. Register at [www.dioceseofnottingham.uk](http://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk)

#### **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

