

# The Catholic Church of St Peter & St Paul Lincoln

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PSALTER WEEK 4	INTENTIONS
<b>Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> May</b> 6pm Mass streamed	<b>Easter Feria</b> Denis Collingham RIP
<b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May</b> 9am Mass streamed 11am Mass NOT streamed	<b>PENTECOST SUNDAY (SOLEMNITY)</b> People of the Parish Mrs Serena Doran RIP Day of Special Prayer for the Church
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May</b> NO MASS	<b>Mary, Mother of the Church (Memorial)</b> -
<b>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May</b> 9.10am 9.30am Mass streamed	<b>Saint Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor (Memorial)</b> Rosary Ken Rooney RIP (Anniversary Remembrance)
<b>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May</b> 9.10am 9.30am Mass streamed 6pm	<b>Saint Philip Neri, Priest (Memorial)</b> Rosary Peter Andronowski Reception of Felix Rooney RIP
<b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May</b> 12 Noon	<b>FEAST OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST</b> Requiem Mass for Felix Rooney RIP
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May</b> NO MASS	<b>Feria</b> -
<b>Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> May</b> 6pm Mass streamed	<b>Feria</b> Denise Moore RIP
<b>Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> May</b> 9am Mass streamed 11am Mass NOT streamed	<b>THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (SOLEMNITY)</b> People of the Parish James McCullagh RIP (24 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Remembrance)

Readers	This	H Levey	C Scanlon	E Neal
	Next	Y Buckingham	J May	J Mitchell
Church Flowers	29/5			
	12/6	Pat		
Cleaners	This	SUSPENDED		
	Next	SUSPENDED		
Footsteps	This	SUSPENDED		
	Next	SUSPENDED		
Exposition	This	SUSPENDED		
	Next	SUSPENDED		
Stewards	This	6pm – Ted and Chris	9am – Philomena, Alison and Val	11am – Sue and Jude
	Next	6pm – Ted and Nat	9am – Alison and Jon	11am – Sue and Jude

WEEKLY COLLECTION		 Start a compost heap	HUNGRY BOX Suspended
Standing Orders	529.00		
Envelopes	267.47		
Loose Plate	85.59		

**300 CLUB: Forms to join the club are in the Sacristy. Please see Canon Geoffrey. NEW MEMBERS WELCOME**

**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:** To be reviewed

**CONFESSIONS:** By arrangement, please call 01522 696838

**PARISH SECRETARY:** Will be in the office on Monday and Thursday 10am-4pm and Wednesday 1-7pm

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

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

If shielding, please continue to protect yourself by staying at home.

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.

**REFURBISHMENT OF PARISH ARTEFACTS:** Thank you to all who have made donations towards the refurbishment of our artefacts. I do hope those who have been able to attend Mass at SSPP and have seen the display in the Lady Chapel were pleased with the results. To date some £1053.75 including Gift Aid has been donated towards the cost. There is still some way to go and below I list everything that has been sent away for refurbishment and restoration (to date) and the costs:

• 1 x Thurible:	£235.00
• 1 x 12" Brass Crucifix	£ 95.00
• 1 Pair of 7" Brass Candlesticks	£170.00
• 1 Pair of Acolyte Candlesticks	£135.00 each
• 2 number 21" 5 Brass Candlesticks	£190.00 each
• 4 x 4" Candlesticks	£ 75.00 each
• 1 pair of 9 ½" Brass Candlesticks	£ 78.00 each
• 1 pair of 16" Brass Benediction Candlesticks	£195.00 each
• 6 Brass Candlesticks 14"	£100.00 each
• 6 18" Big ix Candlesticks (ex Wellingore)	£175.00 each
• 32" Brass Crucifix (ex Wellingore Chapel)	£360.00
• 6" Dia. Holy Water Container & Sprinkler	£135.00
• 4 12" San necked Brass Vases	£ 78.00 each
• 1 Pair of 7" Brass Candlesticks	£170.00
• 4 x 6 ¾" low level Brass Candlesticks	£ 75.00 each
• 1 Pair 9 ½" Brass Candlesticks	£ 78.00 each
• 1 Pair 16" x 16" Benediction Candlesticks	£195.00 each
• 1 Pair "Harlequin" Vases	£ 48.00 each
• 4 Swan necked vases	£ 40.00 each
• 4 Row Votive Candle Stand	£ 90.00
• 2 Communion Plates	£220.00
• 2 x 4 Row Votive Stands	£180.00
• 1 x 4 Chime Brass Bells	£ 75.00
• 1 x Heavy Cast Brass Thurible	£170.00
• 5 Paschal Candle Inscense Grain Holders	£ 20.00
• 1 x 11" x 7" 3 Light Candle branch	£ 60.00
• 2 Incense Boats	£ 85.00
• 1 Brass Thurible Stand	£190.00
• 1 Sanctus Bell	£ 50.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£6515.00</b>
<b>Sum Raised</b>	<b>£1063.75</b>
<b>To be raised</b>	<b>£5451.25</b>

Please do consider making a donation. These belong to you and the Parish and need caring for. Sincerely, Canon Geoffrey

**THE CANON'S COMMENTS - MAINTENANCE OF PARISH PROPERTIES:** This past Wednesday started off very well; if a little early, 5am! I had planned my day well, so I thought. I did my usual pottering and domestic jobs and then went over to the church about 8.30am to open and set up for the 9.30am Mass. As I approached the back door of the Church I heard a continuous alarm sound; the fire alarm for the Parish Centre was showing a fault, again. So, I phoned the company that services the alarm and arranged for an engineer to attend later that day. Said Mass at 9.30am, a bit more pottering, then went on a sick call to a Parishioner, then off to do some shopping. When I got back there was a missed call. Since Monday of this past week there has been an electrician checking the electrics of all our properties; as is required under law - the five-yearly check. The message was to contact him asap, there was a problem. I spoke with the electrician and he told me he had had to contact our power supplier as a matter of urgency. The reason being the cables that feed the Church and 2a had been damaged and was causing a serious problem with the electrics, not only in 2a, but also the church and parish centre. Within four hours the engineers arrived, i.e., 3.30pm. Their initial reaction was "Oh we weren't expecting anything like this!". In the meantime, following yet another thunderstorm and heavy downfall of rain the drains and gutters around the church began to overflow. Finally, the engineer for the Fire Alarm arrived and after checking the Control Panel told me we needed a new one. At the time of writing, 8.20pm on Wednesday evening, the engineers from Western Power are still on site, I am awaiting a report from them, a quotation for a replacement for a new Control Panel for the Fire Alarm and a quotation for cleaning and rodding all the drains and gutters around our properties. I hope you would all agree that maintenance and care of our properties be they Domestic or Parish is important. Sincerely, Canon Geoffrey

Dear Parishioners, I hardly know what to say except thank you, today Thursday we have just sent off another 50!! Backpacks. Since I asked for second hand backpacks 3 weeks ago I have been given 18, we filled 10 with all the goodies you have given us over the winter and managed to complete the 50! I know how grateful I feel and I only collect and fill with what you have all provided, just imagine how the children receiving them will feel, they are among the poorest children in the world, don't know when their birthday is and have never had a present. A backpack must seem like Aladdin's cave. Thank you so, so much once again. Patricia Davis

**MESSAGE FROM CAFOD:** India is facing a devastating second wave of corona virus. The country has confirmed more than 20 million cases and more than 200,000 deaths, with some reports concerned that the number of deaths is just the tip of the iceberg, due to under reporting. The pandemic has put a strain on the medical infrastructure of the country, with hospitals unable to cope with the influx of patients. You can make a donation to this appeal via the CAFOD website: <https://cafod.org.uk/Give> or you can put your donation in the collection bag when you come to church, please mark the envelope 'CAFOD India' and we will make sure they receive your donation.

**MESSAGE FROM BISHOP PATRICK:** "I am deeply saddened to read of the worsening situation in India following the alarming outbreak of Covid-19. There are many people living and working within Nottingham Diocese who are from India and who I know have loved ones living there today. Be assured that I hold your friends, family and the country which you love, in my prayers at this devastating time. Today I also appeal to the faithful of the Diocese to offer up their usual Friday penance for those who are suffering in India - the sick, the dying, the bereaved and all those who courageously care for them. I recently read of a local bishop who is taking seriously ill priests to hospital, due to the fact there is a shortage of ambulances and no guarantee that a hospital bed can even be found. It was devastating to learn that the Diocese of Dumka has lost five priests to COVID-19 in the space of 10 days. May God grant them and all those who have lost their lives, eternal rest and may our Blessed Mother comfort the sick and the dying in this time of terrible trial and sorrow."

**LOOKING AHEAD:** 21<sup>st</sup> June, please God will see further relaxations of Corona Virus restrictions. 29<sup>th</sup> June is our Patronal Feast Day, and I am more than hoping that the weekend before after the 11am Mass on the Sunday, i.e. 27<sup>th</sup> June we will be able to gather together, complying with any remaining restrictions to celebrate and give thanks to God and enjoy each other's company in the Parish grounds - please put this in your diaries and watch this space! **Canon Geoffrey**

**GROW AND SUPPORT YOUR PARISH:** This summer may the Holy Spirit help us grow as a community and glorify God through prayer, helping people in need and supporting our parish. We can all grow in faith, hope and love by supporting one another in prayer. I have sown sunflower seeds to plant in four pots of varying colour: black, green, terracotta and grey and invite you to pick one or more pots to dedicate to a person or intention you want to pray for (eg family members, parish renewal, The Priests, Deacons and Religious in Lincoln). Then from Pentecost Sunday pray daily to the Holy Spirit for your intentions and those of others taking part and add a prayer that they won't be eaten by slugs or snails! For support with prayer and to follow the progress of the sunflowers click [this link](#) or go to [www.JustGiving.com](http://www.JustGiving.com), search 'hope in hard times' and click on the sunflower. If you would like to make a donation either go online to the JustGiving webpage above (in aid of the charity Samaritans) or in appreciation for the role of the parish in your life, a donation for parish funds (placed in an envelope marked "sunflower") can be handed to Jo, Canon Geoffrey or to Tina in the office. Hopefully together we can produce a wonderful bouquet of prayers, flowers and gifts to present to Our Lady on the Feast of the Assumption. To God be the glory.

**CALLING CHILDREN TO COLOUR AND PRAY:** Parents, your children are the future of the parish, please encourage them to pray and be part of the parish community by joining in with "Grow and support your parish". Please take home a paper sunflower for them to colour in (or draw/make their own) and write their prayer in the centre of the flower. If they would like to share their prayer and allow other parishioners to enjoy their creations and pray for their intentions, bring back the completed picture (add name and age if happy to), hand to a steward and it will be displayed on the notice board in the entrance.

**CALLING KNITTERS AND CRAFTERS!** For the Feast of the Assumption, as part of "Grow and support your parish" we would like to make a beautiful display around the statue of Our Lady and need your help - anyone who can knit or crochet or felt or sew and would like to get involved, please create sunflowers (without stalks) of varying sizes and place in a bag marked Jo or hand in to Tina at the Parish Office.

**CALLING THE HOUSEBOUND AND SICK:** The vital organs of a body are hidden, so too it is with you in the parish; within the 'cloister' of your own home, you are able to pray and offer up your suffering to the Lord, without ceasing. Your help is very much needed - please include within your offerings all the prayer intentions of those taking part in 'Grow and support your parish' and ask the Holy Spirit to help us grow as a community and glorify God through prayer, helping people in need and supporting our parish. See parish website for details.

#### DIARY DATES

**VOCATIONS ZOOM CAFÉ: GOD IS CALLING. ARE YOU LISTENING?** The Vocations Team are holding their next café for those interested in finding out more about their calling on **24th May at 7pm**. This month Fr Wilfred, Parish Priest of Corpus Christi, Nottingham and a member of the Religious congregation Sacred Heart Fathers will speak about: How He Lives His Call Today. Contact Diane at [vocationsadmin@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:vocationsadmin@dioceseofnottingham.uk) for the Zoom link or call 0115 9501064.

**THE CAMINO PILGRIMAGE** A Zoom talk by Fr Eddy, **25th May at 7pm**. Fr Eddy has made the pilgrimage across Spain to Santiago De Compostela and will be giving an illustrated talk on Zoom about his experience. You are welcome to book for this. Please contact Helen Townsend by email: [helen@sthughslincoln.org.uk](mailto:helen@sthughslincoln.org.uk) for a link.

**ST PETER & ST PAUL'S PRAYER GROUP:** Meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month on Zoom. You would be very welcome to join us. Next meeting **25<sup>th</sup> May** from 7.30-9pm at the latest. ID- 498 066 3426 Password- 999198.

**SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN (SPUC) pro-life Chain 11am-1pm 29 May:** Please join our annual act of witness to commemorate the coming into force of the 1967 Abortion Act - a law which has cost the lives of 9 million unborn children and resulted in countless women and men being harmed by an abortion experience. The Chain is a peaceful and silent kerbside vigil where the pro-life message is witnessed by thousands of passing motorists. It will take place on **Tritton Road** (alongside Chestnut Homes LN6 Estate) **Lincoln**. For further information (including parking) please contact Julie Rogers on 07465 440171.

**CARITAS DIOCESE OF NOTTINGHAM - ENVIRONMENT WORKSHOP:** At today's Masses, we hear a Pastoral letter about the urgent need for us all to protect and care for God's gift of Creation. Our new diocesan Caritas network, also launched this weekend, is hosting a workshop 'Renewing the face of the Earth'. It is [online](#) and will help us explore the many ways in which we can respond, as individuals, as parishes and as a diocese: Tuesday 8 June, 7-8.30pm. Please Register at: [dioceseofnottingham.uk/environment](http://dioceseofnottingham.uk/environment).