

The Catholic Church of St Peter & St Paul Lincoln

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Second Week of Advent - Psalter Week 2	INTENTIONS
Saturday 4th December 11am 11am and 5.15pm 6pm Mass streamed	Advent Feria First Saturday Devotions Confessions in the Lady Chapel Birthday of Winnie Campbell (deceased)
Sunday 5th December 9am Mass streamed 11am Mass with Confirmation NOT streamed 12.30pm Baptism	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT People of the Parish Darren Munnely RIP Gavin and Chloe Valadez
Monday 6th December -	Advent Feria No Mass
Tuesday 7th December 7pm (Fr Patrick)	Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor (Memorial) Get Well Mass for Maureen Burns
Wednesday 8th December 9.30am 5pm	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Patron of our Diocese (Solemnity) Pat and Kate Munnely RIP and Tony and PJ Munnely RIP Choir Practice
Thursday 9th December 9.30am 10.30am 7.30pm	Advent Feria Patrick Faherty Snr RIP and Patrick Faherty Jnr RIP Funeral Service – P W Kennedy RIP <u>at Lincoln Crematorium</u> Lincoln Deanery Choir Rehearsal
Friday 10th December 9.30am 11am Streamed	Advent Feria Maureen Withers and Rose Larby RIP Funeral Service for John Dillon RIP
Saturday 11th December 11am and 5.15pm 6pm Mass streamed	Advent Feria Confessions in the Lady Chapel People of the Parish
Sunday 12th December 9am Mass streamed 11am Mass NOT streamed	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT – GAUDETE SUNDAY Eamon Dillon RIP Caarmen Carmano RIP (Anniversary)

Readers	This	Y Buckingham	J May	N Amankwa
	Next	H Levey	K Clarkson	Young Ones
Church Flowers				
	24/12	Alison/Philomena		
Weekend Coffee	This	9am – No Booking	11am – Nana Amankwa – Church Funds	
	Next	9am – No Booking	11am – No Booking	
Footsteps	This	Emma Baker, Kayleigh Burkitt		
	Next	Fiona Carroll, gloria Lakshman		
Weekend Stewards	This	6pm – Ted	9am – Alison	11am – Stan and Jude
	Next	6pm – Ted	9am – Alison	11am – Stan and Jude

WEEKLY COLLECTION		PARISH SECRETARY: Will be in the office on Monday, Thursday and Friday 9am-5pm	Artefacts - Total £9125.00 Raised £5804.25 Balance £3320.75
Standing Orders	£529.00		
Envelopes	£ 73.69		
Loose Plate	£204.18		

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.
LOST PROPERTY:	Will now be collected from the church and kept at the Parish Office. If you have lost a grey woollen glove with wooden buttons on the side, please contact Tina when she is in the office and arrange collection from 2a.
IN MEMORIAM BOOK:	Should you wish to see your loved one's name in the anniversary book, details of insertion are next to the display cabinet.
REPOSITORY:	Goods for Christmas and the New Year are now on display. If anyone requires candles, cards, or a calendar or diary for Next year please come and have a look. We have limited stock, but we can always order something for you if you let us know What you want. Please see Alan after Mass to discuss.

IF SOMEONE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD DISPLAYS ANY OF THE SYMPTOMS OF COVID19, YOU MUST STAY AT HOME DO NOT COME TO CHURCH
If shielding, please continue to protect yourself by staying at home. **In church face coverings MUST be worn unless you are exempt from doing so.** Please sanitise your hands on entry to the Church; it is advisable to keep your distance inside and outside the building.



SYNOD PRAYER: We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.

SUNDAY OBLIGATION: THE BISHOPS OF ENGLAND AND WALES WRITE:

The Sunday Eucharist is a gift; as God's holy people we are called to praise and thank God in the most sublime way possible. When the Church speaks of the Sunday obligation, it reminds us that attending Mass is a personal response to the selfless offering of Christ's love. We now encourage all Catholics to look again at the patterns which they have formed in recent months with regards to going to Mass on Sundays. This would include consideration and reflection about what we might do on Sundays, such as sports or shopping, or other leisure and social activities. This review, and the decisions which arise from it, fall to every Catholic and we trust this will be done with honesty, motivated by a real love for the Lord whom we encounter in the Mass. The Sunday Mass is the very heartbeat of the Church and of our personal life of faith. We gather on the "first day of the week," and devote ourselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers (Acts 2:42)

300 CLUB winners drawn by Canon Geoffrey and witnessed by Ted Coatsworth on 26/11/2021

2 nd /3 rd October	£100	244	Heidi Belbin
9 th /10 th October	£100	365	S. Collingham
16 th /17 th October	£100	406	J.W. Belbin
23 rd /24 th October	£100	183	T. Sproats
30 th /31 st October	£200	133	Liz Noonan
30 th /31 st October	£100	49	Sharon Francis
6 th /7 th November	£100	527	Mrs H Wigley
13 th /14 th November	£100	286	Mavis Pearman
20 th /21 st November	£100	60	Kathleen Meenaghan
27 th /28 th November	£200	485	Robert Shaw
27 th /28 th November	£100	41	Edmund Gilluly

LIVE SIMPLY: It's that time again, the end of the month when I am asking you all who are taking the Live Simply challenge to send me in your points total for November. Only one couple have sent me their monthly total so far so please everyone involved send me your totals ASAP I know you are all doing your best to save our planet but it's nice to know how much! Tony tony.rowlett1@gmail.com

Holly Wreaths for Christmas: Around the main body of our Church there are 12 consecration candles and candlesticks, as part of our festive decorations this Christmas would anybody consider sponsoring a Holly Wreath to hang from the candlesticks? Perhaps, it could be in memory of a loved one or as part of a Christmas gift to somebody? The suggested donation will be £12.50 and your intention will be displayed adjacent to the Crib in the Lady Chapel. If you wish to sponsor a wreath, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you.

The CWL ceased due to declining numbers. Thankfully a small group of ladies known as the **Fundraising Circle of Friends** are willing to continue providing refreshments after Mass, but they need help. Can you spare some time? Contact Jennifer on 881767 to discuss further if you can help. Thank you.

MARY'S MEALS – 'Double The Love' campaign: From November 2021 to 31st January 2022, every gift given to Mary's Meals will be doubled by a group of generous supporters, up to £1.6m. This means a gift of just £15.90 will feed, not one, but two children, a life-changing daily school meal for a whole school year! Your kindness brings joy to more than two million children around the world who we serve – including those affected by natural disasters, conflict and the ongoing Covid pandemic. For more information, please visit www.marysmeals.org.uk

CHRISTMAS TOY / SEASONAL GIFT COLLECTION THE PRIORY WITHAM ACADEMY: Thank you most sincerely to all those who donated a toy or gift to this appeal. The school were absolutely overjoyed to be able to allocate a gift to each child in need this Christmas thanks to your enormous generosity.

APPEAL THIS WEEKEND - HELPING THE HOMELESS THIS CHRISTMAS:

The YMCA Lincolnshire has asked us to help the homeless men and women this Christmas by filling shoe boxes with Christmas gift items. Suitable gifts Hats, scarves, gloves, socks. Toiletries (male and female) toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, shower gel, shampoo, face wipes. Travel mug, instant coffee, hot chocolate, chocolates, sweets. Puzzle books, playing cards, magazines, note pad, pens, face masks. Lids and bottom halves of boxes must be wrapped separately. Filled boxes should be taken to church this weekend.

Marian Pilgrimage for Advent: The Immaculata is a Patron of our Diocese and on her Feast day, Wednesday December 8th, you are welcome to join with me for a pilgrimage inside **Lincoln Cathedral** (aka The Cathedral Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary) using the official Cathedral pilgrimage book as guide, beginning at 11am with lunch later in the Cathedral cafe. There are 14 'stops' each with a scripture passage, prayer and questions to ponder silently. The entrance fee will need to be paid individually (max £9). To join in, either see me or just meet outside the main (West) entrance at 10.50am (I will wear a red and blue striped scarf). Jo Franks

OPEN DAY – Saturday 11th December: As we prepare for Christmas and as part of our outreach to the community, Catholic and non-Catholic, (and in response to the Holy Father's invitation to respond to the world-wide Synod), here at SSPP, there will be an Open Day on 11th December from 10.00am to 2.00pm. All Parish Ministries, Groups and Organisations are asked to help and be present at some point that day to help with this initiative.

11th / 12th December – Christmas Food Bank Collection and SECOND COLLECTION – Poor and Needy Parishes to be taken after all Masses.

12th December – Henry Uzokwe will be attending the 11am Mass on the 12th to give a talk on behalf of the Children's Society and the work they undertake in our region.

ST PETER & ST PAUL'S PRAYER GROUP: Meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. You would be very welcome to join us. Next meeting **14th December** from 7.30-9pm in the Parish Centre.

CAROL SINGING EVENING: There will be a 'Faith and Trust' carol singing evening at 7pm on **14th December at Our Lady of Lincoln community centre**. The evening is all about celebrating the birth of our Lord through song. Our churches are now reopened. Hopefully, we can get together once again to celebrate the birth of Our Lord and renew our faith: our trust in Him. The evening opens at 6.45pm to start at 7pm with carols for everyone to sing supported and led by Our Lady's Carollers who will receive a donation from the evening to make up for the fact that they are not raising charitable funds by entertaining the customers of restaurants and taverns. You are invited to come along to sing and then, at 7.30pm, enjoy a Christmas meal followed by mince pie and cream (veggie option available) in return for £15 per head to get everything moving. Maximum sixty people. Professional caterers are on hand to allow everyone to join in the singing and promote the purpose of the evening which is community revival. Please bring your own wine/beer. Non-alcoholic drinks will be available. We need to know numbers by Friday, 10th December for catering purposes. Email tpo@ohal.org or Terry on 01673 862443 with your numbers and any dietary needs. Please pay on the evening. The event is sponsored by the Catenian Circle members.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES – Other Lincoln Parishes: St Hugh's on Tuesday, 21st December at 7pm and Our Lady of Lincoln on Wednesday, 22nd December at 7pm

18th / 19th December – Retiring Collection for Church Christmas Flowers

Advent and Christmas Masses Information	
Reconciliation Service - Thursday 16th December 7pm	
Friday 24th December - Christmas Eve	
Carols 5.30pm, Vigil Mass of the Nativity 6pm	
First Mass of the Nativity Midnight Mass 10pm	
Saturday 25th December – Christmas Day Mass at 10am	
Sunday 26th December - Boxing Day Feast of the Holy Family	
Masses at 9am and 11am	

SSPP BAPTISM COURSE: The next course will be held on **Saturday 22nd January 2022** in the Parish Centre from 10am-12 Noon. If you have not previously attended a Course and are looking to have your child Baptised, please contact the Parish Office for an application form to be sent to you.

CONFIRMATION 2022: Forms for **Confirmation** are available in the Narthex and should be returned by 9th January to the Parish Office. Preparation sessions will be held on Saturdays at 4.30pm, starting at the end of January. Precise dates will be published in the newsletter in January.