

# The Catholic Church of St Peter & St Paul Lincoln

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Third Week of Advent - Psalter Week 3	INTENTIONS
<b>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December</b> 11am and 5.15pm 6pm Mass streamed	<b>Advent Feria</b> Confessions in the Lady Chapel People of the Parish
<b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December</b> 9am Mass streamed 11am Mass NOT streamed	<b>THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT – GAUDETE SUNDAY</b> Eamon Dillon RIP Caarmen Carmano RIP (Anniversary)
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr (Memorial)</b>
<b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December</b> 9.30am 6.30pm	<b>Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor (Memorial)</b> Declan Brennan (Recovery to Health) Age Concern Concert 'Reminics-Mas'
<b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December</b> 9.30am	<b>Advent Feria</b> Gordon Prentice RIP
<b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December</b> 9.30am 6pm 7pm	<b>Advent Feria</b> Service of word and Communion Reception of Michael J Wigley RIP Reconciliation Service
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December</b> 9.30am	<b>Advent Feria</b> Requiem Mass for Michael J Wigley RIP
<b>Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December</b> 11am and 5.15pm 6pm Mass streamed	<b>Advent Feria</b> Confessions in the Lady Chapel For the Repose of the Souls of Joe and Margaret McGuinness
<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b> 9am Mass streamed 11am Mass NOT streamed 12.30pm 1.15pm	<b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b> <span style="float: right;">Day of Special Prayer for Expectant Mothers</span> Ron Thornton RIP (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary – 12.12.2021) People of the Parish Baptism of Jonah Eyre Baptism of Chimaobi Oziku

Readers	This	H Levey	K Clarkson	Young Ones
	Next	R Boyns	T Rowlett	F Bean
Flowers Rota	24/12	Alison / Philomena		
Weekend Coffee	This	9am and 11am – Diana Reeve and Nana Amankwa – Church Funds		
	Next	9am – Fundraising Circle of Friends – Women's Refuge 11am – Church Funds		
Footsteps	This	Fiona Carroll, Gloria Lakshman		
	Next	Eileen Cooper, Hannah Bownes		
Weekend Stewards	This	6pm – Ted	9am – Alison	11am – Stan and Jude
	Next	6pm – Ted	9am – Alison	11am – Stan and Jude

WEEKLY COLLECTION		POPE'S PRAYER FOR DECEMBER: The Pope is praying "for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit, with joy and much peace."	Artefacts Total £9125.00 Raised £5804.25 Balance £3320.75
Standing Orders	£529.00	<b>300 CLUB: Forms to join the club are available by the display table in the Church. The 300 Club is run by Parishioners and provides a much-needed source of income for the upkeep of our Church, Parish Centre, Presbyteries, and the Mission of the Church here in our Parish. Canon Geoffrey.</b>	
Envelopes	£ 73.50		
Loose Plate	£218.21		

**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.** Please contact Tina when she is in the office and arrange collection from 2a.

**PARISH SECRETARY:** Will be in the office on Monday 9am-5pm, Thursday 9am-7pm and Friday 8.30am-4pm

**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.

**CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS FOR YOUR PRIEST:** Please note that the Christmas collection does not go to our priests but to our parish. If you would like to make a personal Christmas offering, please do so privately or place an envelope in the Christmas collection plate specifically marked for them. Thank you.

**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 places of worship from 10<sup>th</sup> December wearing a face covering IS MANDATORY unless you are exempt from doing so***  
Please sanitise your hands on entry to the Church; it is still advisable to keep your distance inside and outside the building

**THIS WEEKEND** there will be a **SECOND COLLECTION** for **Poor and Needy Parishes** to be taken after all Masses. This collection is to support those parishes which require financial assistance.

**This Sunday Henry Uzokwe** will be speaking about Faith In Families and the work they undertake in our region.

We are collecting donations for the **Food Bank** to give as many families as possible in our community some extra items for their family table and to ensure as many people as possible have a lovely Christmas this year.

**CRIB OFFERINGS:** This year our Crib Offerings will be donated to the Friends of the Holy Land. This organisation supports the Christians of the Holy Land, the birthplace of Our Lord, and the home of the Holy Family. During the remaining weeks of Advent and over the Christmas Season may I invite you say the following prayer for their well-being:

Almighty Father, Faithful God, bless our brothers and sisters  
in the land of the Holy One.  
Grant peace in that land, peace in their homes  
and peace in their hearts.  
Inspire the Friends of the Holy Land to build on your foundations  
of justice, mercy, and peace,  
as partners with our Christian brothers and sisters.  
Give to pilgrims a new vision of your Kingdom,  
fill them with compassion and love.  
Keep the cries of this land in our hearts.  
This we pray in the power of the Spirit  
and in union with Christ.  
Amen.

**VOTIVE CANDLE STANDS:** Please do not use matches to light votive candles and please do not remove the candle from its plastic container. Thank you, Canon Geoffrey.

**WEDDINGS 2022:** Any couple intending to marry during 2022 at SSPP is asked, if they have not already done so, to contact Canon Geoffrey.

**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, there are 7 wreaths still available. Thank you.

**LIVE SIMPLY:** Hello again all you Live Simply Challengers Our Grand Total for November is a stunning 1302! Well done to you all, if you have not contacted me yet with your total points don't worry, they will be added to the December Total. Tony

The **UNIVERSE CATHOLIC WEEKLY** is thrilled to announce we have launched our new online newspaper with the full support of our first subscriber His Eminence Cardinal Vincent Nichols. Order your Digital copy via Michelle 07436617650 or at [www.universecatholicweekly.co.uk](http://www.universecatholicweekly.co.uk) Special offer: Only £20 for 3 months.

**STAMPS for Medical Detection Dogs:** Please do remember this charity. The box and instructions for trimming are, as before, on the table at the back of Church. Do read the notice as suggestions for trimming have eased. Many thanks to everyone for your contributions.

**MARY'S MEALS – 'Double The Love' campaign:** From November 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> 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 – including those affected by natural disasters, conflict and the ongoing Covid pandemic. For more information, please visit [www.marysmeals.org.uk](http://www.marysmeals.org.uk)

**ST THERESE OF LISIEUX MULTI ACADEMY TRUST:** Do You want to make a difference in our Catholic schools? All our schools have a Local Governing Body (LGB) formed of people who are interested in the school. The LGB plays a significant part in ensuring that the schools are well managed and that they give our Catholic children the very best education for life. The LGB ensures that the Catholic character of the school is developed and preserved. The LGB creates a link to the local/parish community. It has a key role to play in the children's future. Are you a practising Catholic and interested in becoming a Foundation Governor? If you have a child that attends one of our Academies, are you interested in becoming a Parent Governor? We always need Catholic people to become involved in this important work. For more information [www.stlcmat.org.uk](http://www.stlcmat.org.uk) or

contact Tamer Hodgson Governance Lead: Email: [Tamer.Hodgson@stlcmat.org.uk](mailto:Tamer.Hodgson@stlcmat.org.uk) Tel: 01522 849 62

**THANK YOU:** Many thanks to all those who supported the **Advent Tea**. The event raised £435, and proceeds will be sent to Aid to Church in Need.

**CHRISTMAS TOY / SEASONAL GIFT COLLECTION for THE PRIORY WITHAM ACADEMY:** Thank you again for the extra donations of toys received this week at the parish office. The school were absolutely thrilled to be able to allocate extra gifts to more children who otherwise would have nothing to open on Christmas morning. They are very grateful for your kindness and generosity and to be able to make Christmas this year extra special.

**THANK YOU** also to all those parishioners who donated last weekend to the YMCA shoebox appeal for the homeless this Christmas.

**AGE UK CHRISTMAS CONCERT 'REMINICS-MAS',** Tuesday 14th December 6:30pm at Saint Peter and Saint Paul's Catholic Church. An evening of Christmas joy brought to you by the Lincoln Catholic Deanery Choir alongside St. Hugh's Catholic Primary Voluntary Academy, St. John's Primary Academy, the Lincoln Beevor Brass Band and more! Tickets are priced at just £5 per person available at: <https://reminicmas-christmas-concert.raisely.com/> or via the link on the parish website. Please note that due to current Covid requirements, audience members are required to wear a face mask.

**ST PETER & ST PAUL'S PRAYER GROUP:** Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month. You would be very welcome to join us at our next meeting on **14<sup>th</sup> 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 **15th 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. Email [tpo@ohal.org](mailto: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.

**18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> December:** Retiring Collection for our Church Christmas Flowers.

**AFRICAN MASS -** There will be an African Mass held at St Hugh's on **Sunday 19th December** at 3pm. The Mass will be in English. All are welcome to come and join.

**ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES – Other Lincoln Parishes:**

St Hugh's on Tuesday, **21st December** at 7pm

Our Lady of Lincoln on Wednesday, **22nd December** at 7pm

**LINCOLN NATIVITY LIGHT OF PEACE:** The Lincoln Nativity Light of Peace will be brought into the church at the 6pm Mass on Christmas Eve. If you would like to have the Peace Light in your home over Christmas, then please bring a suitable candle and container to the Mass to kindle your flame.

**ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS MASSES INFORMATION**  
**SSPP Reconciliation Service - Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December 7pm**  
**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Eve**  
Carols 5.30pm, Vigil Mass of the Nativity 6pm  
Carols 9.30pm, First Mass of the Nativity Midnight Mass 10pm  
**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Day** Mass at 10am  
**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> December - Boxing Day Feast of the Holy Family**  
Masses at 9am and 11am

**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

**SSPP BAPTISM COURSE:** The next course will be held on **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> 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.

**1ST HOLY COMMUNION:** Classes will start on Saturday 29th January. If you wish your child to join the class, then please fill out an application form soon and pass it to Stan Davis or leave it in the sacristy.