

# The Catholic Church of St Peter & St Paul Lincoln

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| Seventh Week of Ordinary Time - Psalter Week 3  | INTENTIONS   |
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| <b>Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> February</b><br>5.15pm<br>6pm Mass streamed               | <b>SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b><br>Confessions<br>Edna O'Leary RIP   |
| <b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> February</b><br>9am Mass streamed<br>11am Mass NOT streamed | <b>SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b><br>Brendan O'Donnell RIP<br>People of the Parish   |
| <b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February</b><br>-   | <b>Feria</b><br>No Mass  |
| <b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February</b><br>7pm Mass                                   | <b>Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter</b><br>Donal O'Leary and his late wife Edna RIP   |
| <b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February</b><br>9.30am Mass<br>5pm                       | <b>Saint Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr (Memorial)</b><br>Brendan O'Donnell RIP Followed by Tea and Coffee<br>Parish Choir  |
| <b>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> February</b><br>9.30am Mass                               | <b>Feria</b><br>Martyn Stevens RIP   |
| <b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February</b><br>10am<br>11.00am<br>12Noon Mass              | <b>Feria</b><br>Funeral Service - Bridie Connolly RIP<br>Exposition<br>Anniversary Mass – Ashley Smith Lunches in the Parish Centre on 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Fridays |
| <b>Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> February</b><br>11am<br><br>5.15pm<br>6pm Mass streamed   | <b>Feria</b><br>Confessions<br><b>EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b><br>Confessions<br>Denis and Win Collingham RIP   |
| <b>Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> February</b><br>9am Mass streamed<br>11am Mass NOT streamed | <b>EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b> <span style="float: right;">Day of Special Prayer for the Unemployed</span><br>Peggy and Family<br>People of the Parish                           |

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| Readers          | This | 6pm – R Boyns  | 9am – J May      | 11am – L Roberts |
|                  | Next | 6pm – S Collingham   | 9am – K Clarkson | 11am – F Bean    |
| Weekend Coffee   | This | 9am – 11am –   |                  |                  |
|                  | Next | 9am – 11am –   |                  |                  |
| Wednesday Coffee | This | 10.00am – Molly Ellicott and Jo Briggs - For Water Fund and Parish Funds |                  |                  |
|                  | Next | 10.00am  |                  |                  |
| Footsteps        | This | No footsteps over half term  |                  |                  |
|                  | Next | Eileen Cooper, Hannah Bownes   |                  |                  |
| Weekend Stewards | This | 6pm – Ted  | 9am – Alison     | 11am – Stan      |
|                  | Next | 6pm – Ted  | 9am – Alison     | 11am – Stan      |

| WEEKLY INCOME     |                | POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY <i>For religious sisters and consecrated women:</i> We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times. | Artefacts:<br>Total £9125.00<br>Raised £6580.17<br>Balance £2544.83 |
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| Standing Orders   | £579.53        |  |   |
| Envelopes         | £ 96.10        |  |   |
| Loose Plate       | £218.84        |  |   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>      | <b>£894.47</b> |  |   |
| Second Collection | -              |  |   |
| Friday Lunches    | -              |  |   |
| Sunday Coffee     | -              |  |   |
| Weds Coffee       | £ 13.00        |  |   |
| Donations         | -              |  |   |
| Mass Stipends     | £ 40.00        |  |   |
| Funerals          | £250.00        |  |   |
| Hall Fees         | -              |  |   |
| Newsletters       | £ 2.60         |  |   |

**300 CLUB:**  
We need a further 33 members to bring us up to 300.  
If you are not a member, please do consider becoming a member.  
Thank you, Canon Geoffrey

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| <b>ENTERING HOSPITAL:</b> | Please let us know if you or a relative enter hospital, we will do what we can to assist you.  |
| <b>LOST PROPERTY:</b>     | Will now be kept at the Parish Office. Contact Tina to collect lost items.   |
| <b>PARISH SECRETARY:</b>  | Will be in the office on Monday, Tuesday and Friday 9am-5pm  |
| <b>IN MEMORIAM BOOK:</b>  | Should you wish to see your loved one's name in the anniversary book, details of insertion are below the display cabinet.  |
| <b>WEDDINGS 2022:</b>     | Any couple intending to marry during 2022 at SSPP, or elsewhere in England & Wales, or abroad is asked, if they have not already done so, to contact Canon Geoffrey. |

**Bishop Patrick encourages everyone to get vaccinated and to obtain a booster asap**

**LENTEN INITIATIVES:** The Season of Lent will soon be upon us, Ash Wednesday this year falls on 2 March. Apart from the four initiatives listed below as Lenten Exercises may I encourage you to support two further initiatives suggested to me by Parishioners. Lent is a time of prayer, reconciliation, fasting and almsgiving, it has been suggested that we as a parish support ourselves and a charity by praying daily for our parish and parishioners, and PACT, The Prisoners Advice Care Trust, linked with this is that we all give up something for the forty days of Lent, e.g., a drink, chocolates, biscuits, etc., and over the forty days of Lent donate forty pence a day to be shared equally between PACT and Parish Funds. The second initiative is for forty hours of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament spread over 2 hours per day spread over 20 days. Envelopes for the Parish/PACT idea and a sign-up sheet for the adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be made available from this weekend.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Stations of the Cross during Lent will be celebrated each Friday evening at 6.30pm

**TUESDAY MASS:** I introduced the evening Mass to allow those who work during the day to attend a weekday Mass. Perhaps with the lighter evenings and during Lent more of you may wish to come along. Canon Geoffrey

**TUESDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> FEBRUARY 2022:** On this day we keep the Feast of The Chair of St Peter; it is on this day we are reminded of our Union and Communion with the See of Peter, i.e., the Diocese of Rome and with the Holy Father, Pope Francis. Mass that day will be celebrated at 7.00pm. After Mass and from that week onwards until Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March, Shrove Tuesday, the SSPP Prayer Card along with a candle will be given to each person who attends Mass and you will be invited to pray for our Parish, for an end to the pandemic and for return of those who are still unsure about returning to Church particularly during Lent. St Hugh's School and SSPP School will be taking part in this, and Staff and Students will be encouraged to pray for these three intentions. Please be open to this initiative. Canon Geoffrey

**FRIDAYS EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** Since the beginning of October each Friday we have had Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 11am followed by Benediction at 11.45am, and Mass at 12 noon. May I encourage Parishioners who are able to take the opportunity to spend some time before the Blessed Sacrament, in particular may I encourage our Eucharistic Ministers to come along, especially as approach the Season of Lent. Canon Geoffrey.

**WEDNESDAY TEAS & COFFEES:** Each Wednesday in the Parish Centre after the 9.30am Morning Mass. Proceeds to the Water Fund and Parish Funds.

**PROPOSED PLANS for 2a Skellingthorpe Road** are on display in the Church; please do take the time to view them. Canon Geoffrey

**NEW HEATER FOR THE LADY CHAPEL:** Donations would be very welcome towards the costs of installing the new heater, the total cost is: £3027.19. Please put any donations in an envelope marked "Heater Lady Chapel". Thank you. Donations received: £0.00 Canon Geoffrey

Following Bishop Patrick's Pastoral Letter this weekend, any **further Synodal responses**, thoughts or reflections can be sent directly to the Diocesan Co-ordinators: Father David Cain ([david.cain@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:david.cain@dioceseofnottingham.uk)) or Joe Hopkins, Adult Formation Director for Mission ([joe.hopkins@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:joe.hopkins@dioceseofnottingham.uk))

Shalom World's program, HeartTalk, this Sunday features a **TV Interview with Bishop Patrick**. The bishop speaks about his early life, his mission, his vision, and the ministries he is involved in through our diocese and the wider Church. The interview can be seen on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> February, 7.30pm on [www.shalomworld.org](http://www.shalomworld.org)

**Job Opportunity – Warden & Clerk – St Scholastica's Retreat:** A competitive salary, pension, and accommodation onsite in Princes Risborough, Buckinghamshire. The Trustees are seeking to appoint a Warden & Clerk to the Trustees for this almshouse charity that provides sheltered housing for Catholics in financial need aged 60 or over. For details of the role and how to apply by 28<sup>th</sup> February, see: [www.stscholasticas.co.uk/warden-clerk-vacancy](http://www.stscholasticas.co.uk/warden-clerk-vacancy)

**THANK YOU** to all those who supported the coffee morning last Sunday after 9am Mass which raised £100 for St Barnabas Hospice.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** Congratulations to Parishioner, Wing Commander Nana Oteng-Gyan who is to be invested with the MBE (Military Division) at Windsor Castle next week.

**REUSE, RECYCLE, REPAIR:** You may have all noticed over the last couple of weeks 2 new additions to the table at the back of church. One box for the recycling of Toothpaste Tubes and Toothbrushes, a great addition to the recycling activities of the Parish, and the other is for recycling used Ink Cartridges for Mary's

Meals. It is surprising how tiny amounts add up but in a short space of time £2,500 has been raised from Ink Cartridges which is enough to feed at least 160 children for a year! It's a win, win situation with less plastic about and more children fed!

**STAMPS FOR MEDICAL DETECTION DOGS:** Many thanks for the many stamps donated this year. The response has been great, and the stamps so well trimmed there has been little wastage. Canon Geoffrey has agreed to the basket remaining in the Church so please keep donating. **How stamps are used** - 45% sold overseas, 35% sold to British collectors, 10-15% sold to British artists. Unusable stamps are recycled. Nothing goes to waste.

**BACKPACKS:** Christmas seems so long ago! I wondered if any of your children had had new Backpacks for Christmas and if so and you do not need to pass the old ones on to family or friends, would you be kind enough to give them to Mary's Meals Backpack project? Second-hand backpacks are very acceptable and will bring great joy to children who have nothing. Mary's Meals have just had permission to begin serving 4,000 meals a day to the children in **The Yemen**, it will transform their chances in life.

**STUDENT CROSS 2022:** Do you want to do something different for Holy Week? Why not join the Pilgrim Cross Walking Pilgrimage to Walsingham? held over Holy Week from various destinations in the country. From our diocese the 'legs' start from Nottingham and Leicester. It is an ecumenical pilgrimage but has a very strong Catholic ethos. It's both spiritually uplifting and great fun. The group lives and walks in community for one, three, or seven days before spending an amazing weekend celebrating Easter in the Walsingham Basilica. For information, contact Deacon Chris Stevens at [c.stevens@lboro.ac.uk](mailto:c.stevens@lboro.ac.uk) or visit the pilgrimage website at <https://pilgrimcross.org.uk/> Deacon Chris will be walking the over 18s Midland Leg as one of the Chaplains, so come and join us!

#### DIARY DATES

**ST PETER & ST PAUL'S PRAYER GROUP:** The next Prayer Group is on **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February** from 7.30-9pm in the Parish Centre. All are welcome.

**EVENING PRAYER (VESPERS) WITH SYNODAL SHARING:** Everyone is invited to gather with Bishop Patrick for Evening Prayer on **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February**, from 7-8.30pm in Saint Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham (NG1 5AE) during which each deanery will say a little about their Synodal Journey so far, and the Bishop's Draft Diocesan Response will be presented. All are very welcome!

**YOUNG ADULT PILGRIMAGE - Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> February:** Vocation Directors, Fr Neil, and Fr Liam, will lead a pilgrimage in honour of St Hugh of Lincoln. If you would like to attend, meet at 10am outside Lincoln Cathedral for a guided tour, followed by Mass with Bishop Patrick at the Shrine of St Hugh. Please do join them if you can, or pass the message on to other 18-35's.

**First Reconciliation & Communion Enrolment Mass:** This will be celebrated at the 11.00am Mass on **27 February** – please keep our Candidates in your prayers.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March, SSPP at 10am** - The service, prepared by Christian Women of England, Wales and Northern Ireland is a 'service for everyone' and we will be serving tea and coffee after the service in the Parish Centre. *Alternatively, there will be a Service at St Hugh's at 11am and a Service at Our Lady of Lincoln at 2pm.*

An **ANNUAL REQUIEM MASS FOR THE LOSS OF CHILDREN** will be celebrated on **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March** at 6pm in Saint Joseph's church, Matlock. The Mass will be celebrated in memory of our children who have died whatever age or how long ago - the hope is that this will be a source of hope and grace to us all. Everyone is most welcome to attend this beautiful Mass and Ceremony of Light, celebrated by Father Robbie O'Callaghan. There is also an opportunity to send a message through the parish website (<http://matlockcatholicchurch.org.uk/>) : just fill in the form) and we shall be honoured to light a candle for your loved ones.

#### 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. Amen.*

**If shielding, or if you have symptoms of COVID please continue to protect yourself and others by staying at home. Those attending an act of worship are encouraged to wear a face covering (covering both nose and mouth) whilst in the church building**