

The Catholic Church of St Peter & St Paul Lincoln

Parish Clergy: Canon Geoffrey Hunton KHS STB BA and Canon Edward Jarosz STL MA VG

240 Boultham Park Road, Lincoln LN6 7SU Tel: 01522 696838

Email for Canon Geoffrey: geoffrey.hunton@dioceseofnottingham.uk Email for Fr Eddy: eddy.jarosz@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Website: www.sspp-church.org.uk NRC DT – A Registered Charity number 1134449

Parish Administrator: Tina McCarthy 240 Boultham Park Road, Lincoln LN6 7SU 01522 682278

Emails: tinasspp@btconnect.com or office@sspp-church.org.uk

Social Media: www.facebook.com/ssppchurchlincs/ www.youtube.com/channel/UCZyr7ASmSKFu2EKdfoU ITw [twitter@ssppchurchlincs](https://twitter.com/ssppchurchlincs)

Safeguarding Representative: Ted Coatsworth Mobile: 07513 725461 Email: Terence.CoatsworthPSR@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Schools: St Hugh's Catholic Primary School Head: Mr Gregory Hughes Tel: 01522 501137

St Peter and St Paul Catholic Voluntary Academy Headteacher: Mrs Caroline Hewardine Tel: 01522 871400

First Week of Christmastide - Psalter Week 1	INTENTIONS / LITURGIES / OTHER
Saturday 24th December 5.30pm 6pm 9.30pm 10pm	THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD – CHRISTMAS DAY (SOLEMNITY) Carols Vigil Mass Mick and Katie McCoy RIP (Christmas Blessings for those much missed) Carols and Readings Midnight Mass Edna O'Leary RIP (First Anniversary)
Sunday 25th December 10am	THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD – CHRISTMAS DAY (SOLEMNITY) People of the Parish
Monday 26th December 12 Noon	FEAST OF SAINT STEPHEN John Dillon RIP
Tuesday 27th December 2pm Mass HMP Morton Hall	FEAST OF SAINT JOHN, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST Staff, Inmates and their Families
Wednesday 28th December 9.30am	FEAST OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS Holy Souls
Thursday 29th December 9.30am	FEAST OF SAINT THOMAS OF CANTERBURY (BECKET) BISHOP AND MARTYR Monica Pearse RIP
Friday 30th December No Mass	FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY -
Saturday 31st December 11am 5.15pm 6pm	SEVENTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS Confessions MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD (SOLEMNITY) Confessions Joe and Margaret McGuinness RIP (Loving Parents)
Sunday 1st January 2023 9am 11am	MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD (SOLEMNITY) Ron Broomfield RIP (30 th Anniversary) People of the Parish

Readers	This	6pm - H Levey	10pm - L Heaver	10am - E Neal
	Next	6pm – Y Buckingham	9am - P Porter	11am - F Bean
Weekend Coffee	This	No tea and coffee today		
	Next	9am	11am	
Footsteps	8 Jan	Fiona Carroll, H Bownes		
	Feb	E Cooper		
Wednesday Coffee	This	No tea and coffee today		
	Next	10am Jo and Molly		
Weekend Welcomers	This	6pm - Y Musson	10pm T Silva	10am J May
	Next	6pm - Y Musson, K Collingham	9am K & J Clarkson, M York, M Thompson	11am D Rooney, T Silva

WEEKLY INCOME		POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR DECEMBER		LADY CHAPEL HEATER £3027.19
Standing Orders	£ 579.53	Volunteer Not-for-Profit Organizations We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation		Raised £2730.62
Envelopes	£ 81.90			Balance £296.57
Loose Plate	£ 362.28	PLEASE CONSIDER LEAVING YOUR PARISH A LEGACY IN YOUR WILL IN MEMORIAM BOOK Should you wish to see your loved one's name in the anniversary book, details for insertion are below the cabinet		PLEASE PARK CONSIDERATELY IN THE CHURCH CAR PARK. SSPP SCHOOL CAR PARK IS AVAILABLE AT WEEKENDS TO PARK IF THE PARISH CAR PARK IS FULL <u>PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE HYMN BOOKS IN THE LADY CHAPEL RETURN THEM TO THE SHELVES AT THE REAR OF THE CHURCH THANK YOU</u>
TOTAL	£1023.71			
Second Collection	-	SSPP Parish Draw If you are not a member, please join. Cost - monthly £5, quarterly £15, or yearly £60. Thank you. 18/12/22 £100 Mrs B Johnson No 257		
Friday Lunches	-			
Wednesday Coffee	£ 7.00			
Sunday Coffee	£ 30.00			
Repository	£ 22.20			
Donations	£ 15.50			
Mass Stipends	£ 45.00			
Funerals Fees	£1500.00			
Wedding Fees	-			
Hall Fees	£ 80.00			
Newsletters	£ 4.50			

The Retiring Collection last weekend for **Christmas Flowers** raised £242.31. Thank you. Canon Geoffrey

Available In the Lady Chapel - Diocesan Year Books: £4 per copy Catholic News, December Issue 20p

Parish Administrator - The office is closed from 23/12/22 - 2/1/23

Christmas Offerings 2022. If you wish to make a personal offering to Canon Geoffrey for Christmas, please place in an envelope marked "Christmas Offering – Canon Geoffrey". Thank you.

External Crib: The external crib is once again in place and this year is illuminated. Thanks too Ted Coatsworth for putting it up and thanks to the Staff and Students of SSPP Academy who redecorated the front piece.

Helping the Homeless this Christmas: Thank you for the YMCA shoebox donations, your generosity is very much appreciated. On behalf of those who will benefit from your kindness, our sincere and heartfelt thanks.

Raffle ticket draw results 2nd Helen Dillon. Any unclaimed prizes can be collected from the Parish Office when Tina is there.

The Repository: Thank you to all who continue to support our Parish Repository. Since the beginning of November a total of £816.49 worth of stock has been sold. There will be a New Year's Sale in January 2023 which will give us an opportunity to restock the Repository for the coming year.

Christmas Advent Wreaths: Please pray for the donors of the holly wreaths and their intentions – Calvey Family, Alan and Christine Stephenson, Stan Davis – For Rita, In Loving Memory, Coatsworth Family, Ian Clark & Family, Clark Family, Richard Potter, Costello Family, Baldwin Family, Rowlett Family, Dodie Rooney & Family and Sharon Francis & Family. Thank you for your donations to the parish. Canon Geoffrey

Crib Offerings: Our Crib Offerings this year will be donated to "The Friends of The Holy Land". This organisation supports in many ways, education, health care, etc., to fellow Catholic Christians resident in The Holy Land.

Warm Rooms and the Cost-of-Living Crisis - <https://www.warmwelcome.uk/> are mapping where warm spaces are, and what they have available. Churches Together in All Lincolnshire (CTAL) have also set up a webpage at <http://www.ctal.org.uk/cost-of-living.html> which includes some helpful links. <https://www.placesofwelcome.org.uk/> spaces for everyone to have a place to go for a friendly face, a cup of tea and a conversation if and when they need it. **St Hugh's Church** is taking part their Church Hall will be open between 11am-1pm on Fridays during the cold winter months.

Stamps for Medical Detection Dogs: Please do remember to save your stamps for this charity. The box is at the back of Church. Many thanks to the many parishioners who have supported this during the year.

Consultation on Sixth Form Admissions Arrangements: The following sixth forms are consulting on their admission arrangements - All Saints' Sixth Form, Mansfield, Christ the King Sixth Form, Arnold, St Peter & St Paul Sixth Form, Lincoln, The Becket School Sixth Form, West Bridgford and The Trinity School Sixth Form, Nottingham. The consultation will run from 7 December 2022–17 January 2023. Details of the consultation, the proposed changes and how to make comment at www.ololcatholicmat.co.uk/governance/admissions

SPUC (Society for the Protection of Unborn Children) National Prayer Campaign. 10 MILLION PRAYERS FOR 10 MILLION LIVES. 27th April 2023 marks the 55th Anniversary of the passing of the 1967 Abortion Act and to remember the 10 million lives lost to abortion let us unite in prayer and build a culture of life. You will be offered prayer cards at Mass on which you can pledge your choice of prayers to be said.

From 1st November 2022 to 31st January 2023 donations made to **Mary's meals** will be doubled by a group of generous supporters, up to £1,500,000. Today we face some of our greatest challenges yet in a world devastated by conflict, food insecurity and the cost-of-living crisis, which we know is affecting people here in the UK as well as in the countries where Mary's Meals works. With Double the Love donations will be matched, and kindness will go even further – meaning Mary's Meals can reach even more desperately hungry children with a life-changing school meal. www.marysmeals.org.uk

First Holy Communion 2023: Classes for 2023 will start on Thursday 12th January at 6pm in the Parish Centre; they will last for an hour and a half until 7.30pm. If you would like your child to join the class and have not yet applied, then please do so before the end of the year. Application forms are available in the church. Please return them to myself, Stan Davis or in to the Sacristy. You can contact me at stanleydavis1@virginmedia.com or on 07703 234433. Stan Davis 1st Holy Communion catechist.

Sunday Morning Tea/Coffee Rota: Volunteers are needed especially for the 9am Mass, a rota is up in the Lady Chapel

Please volunteer to help our parish community.

NB – ALL MONIES RAISED AT COFFEE MORNINGS MUST BE HANDED INTO THE PARISH OFFICE.

The Synod – Continental Stage Consultation. All the Synod feedback from parishes, dioceses, and national Bishops' Conferences around the world has been gathered, considered, discerned, and distilled into a Report which is now being given to each continent to consider in light of their own tradition, history, experience, and religious perspective. Within Europe we now have the opportunity to consider the Synodal feedback from around the world and to report on:

- What we feel resonates with our own experiences – list the top three priorities from those given
- Consider what are the challenges and tensions in each of those three areas
- Define the next steps which move us (parish, deanery, diocese, the Church) forward

Please engage with this consultation by:

- Completing the form available in church
- Complete the feedback form on-line at: <https://forms.office.com/e/2Yfs77hHsp>
- Follow the QR code and access the on-line diocesan consultation

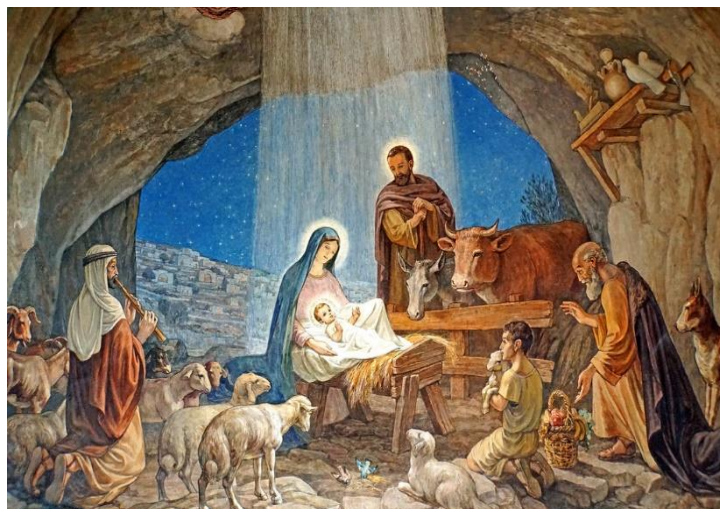
All responses should be received by 9th January 2023 so they can be included in the overall diocesan response. Let us dream of the Church the Holy Spirit is calling us to become.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM CANON GEOFFREY

My thanks to all members of our Parish Family who have assisted in anyway during the period of Advent in preparing our church for the celebration of the Nativity of The Lord.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a Blessed and Merry Christmas and pray for safe travels to those of you heading away from the Parish to celebrate further afield with loved ones.

Thank you also for your generous Christmas wishes, cards and gifts, you are very kind.
Canon Geoffrey



This Photo by Unknown Author is licensed under [CC BY-SA](https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/4.0/)