

The Catholic Church of St Peter & St Paul Lincoln

A Live Simply, Sustainably and in Solidarity Award Recipient

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Second Week of Ordinary Time - Psalter Week 2	INTENTIONS / LITURGIES / OTHER
Saturday 13th January 5.15pm 6pm Fr Dennis O'Brien	SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Confessions People of the Parish
Sunday 14th January 9am 11am	SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Day of Special Prayer for Peace Stephen O'Boyle RIP Bridie Burns RIP (Birthday Remembrance)
Monday 15th January No Mass	Feria -
Tuesday 16th January 2pm HMP Morton Hall 7pm	Feria Staff, Inmates and their Families Robert Cordell RIP
Wednesday 17th January 9.30am	Saint Anthony, abbot (memorial) Intentions of Dr John Coffey
Thursday 18th January 9.30am 7-8.30pm Deanery Choir Rehearsal	Feria James F Brooks RIP -
Friday 19th January 11am 12 Noon	Feria Exposition and Confessions Władysław Czerniak RIP (100 th Birthday Remembrance) Lunches in the Parish Centre on 1 st 3 rd Fridays
Saturday 20th January 11am 5.15pm 6pm	Feria Confessions THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Confessions For my darling Dennis Alnutt RIP
Sunday 21st January 9am 11am	THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Doreen Dolan (Intentions for Recovery to Health) People of the Parish

Readers	This	6pm – M Costello	9am – C Scanlon	11am – Young People
	Next	6pm – R Boyns	9am – J Clarkson	11am – E Neal
Weekend Coffee	This	9am 11am		
	Next	9am 11am		
Footsteps	4 February: Eileen Cooper and Hannah Bownes		3 March: Fiona Carroll and Lorraine Roberts	
Wednesday Coffee	This	Cecelia, Maureen, Penny and Vera		
	Next	Sue		
Weekend Welcomers	This	6pm - Y Musson, T Buckley, K Collingham	9am – W Robins, M York, M Thompson	11am - D Rooney, T Silva, L Roberts
	Next	6pm - Y Musson, T Buckley, K Collingham	9am – M Hardy, M York, M Thompson	11am - D Rooney, T Silva, L Roberts

WEEKLY INCOME W/E 07/01/2024	POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY	NOTE: If you would like a loved one's name listed as sick etc in the newsletter, for GDPR reasons you need their permission first. Thank you.
Standing Orders £ 579.53	For the gift of diversity in the Church Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognise the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church	
Envelopes £ 123.60		
Loose Plate £ 534.08		
TOTAL £1237.21		
Second Collection -	<p style="color: red; font-weight: bold;">PLEASE CONSIDER LEAVING YOUR PARISH A LEGACY IN YOUR WILL</p> <p style="font-weight: bold;">IN MEMORIAM BOOK</p> <p>Should you wish to see your loved one's name in the anniversary book, insertion details are below the cabinet</p>	<p style="font-weight: bold;">PLEASE PARK CONSIDERATELY IN THE CHURCH CAR PARK.</p> <p style="font-weight: bold;">SSPP SCHOOL CAR PARK IS AVAILABLE AT WEEKENDS TO PARK IF THE PARISH CAR PARK IS FULL</p> <p style="color: red; font-weight: bold; text-decoration: underline;">PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE HYMN BOOKS IN THE LADY CHAPEL RETURN THEM TO THE SHELVES AT THE REAR OF THE CHURCH</p> <p style="text-decoration: underline;">THANK YOU</p>
Friday Lunches £ 30.20		
Weds Coffee £ 18.00		
Sunday Coffee -		
Repository £ 10.00		
Donations -		
Mass Stipends £ 40.00		
Funeral Fees £300.00		
Wedding Fees -		
Hall Fees £107.50		
Newsletters £ 12.80		
	<p style="font-weight: bold;">SSPP Parish Draw</p> <p>Please consider joining.</p> <p>Cost - monthly £5, quarterly £15, yearly £60.</p> <p>Thank you.</p> <p>07/01/2024</p> <p>£100 - F Beattie</p> <p>No 298</p>	

Parish Administrator: Monday, Tuesday and Friday - 9.15am-5.15pm.

Votive Candles: Large £0.50 Small £0.20

2024 Calendars and Diaries are now £3.50 each, they can be found on the Repository Table in the Church.

Second Collection for the Sick and Retired Priests' Fund at all Masses on the 20th and 21st January.

We welcome back Fr Dennis O'Brien to SSPP to celebrate the Vigil Mass this weekend.

Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) Annual White Flower Appeal will be held this weekend: SPUC's vision is for a world where abortion is unthinkable. This year's appeal calls on the Government to end the pills by post abortion policy, which ends the lives of precious babies and puts mothers at physical and psychological risk of illegal late-term abortions due to lack of safeguarding. 86% of concerned GPs say women are vulnerable to coerced abortion with this scheme. Please be as generous as you can to help SPUC highlight this urgent crisis.

A reflection from Pope Francis for the Year of Prayer, Second Sunday of the Year: *Prayer is dialogue with God; and every creature, in a certain sense, "dialogues" with God. Within the human being, prayer becomes word, invocation, hymn, poetry... The divine Word is made flesh, and in each person's flesh the word returns to God in prayer.* To read the full reflection and find more resources visit - dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer

The Church relies on people getting involved. Our parish, our community, our world needs you: Could your New Year's resolution be getting more involved in the life of our Church? Which aspects of Church brings you life or joy? Could you give a bit of time to help those parts flourish? CAFOD, the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, is looking for people to give some time and join in its mission. Could you help in your parish, inspiring our Church to help build a better world or by visiting our local schools? Maybe you could raise a voice and campaign for justice, or perhaps speak for CAFOD throughout the area? Could you support local volunteers or share your admin or people skills to help CAFOD keep costs low? Roles are flexible to meet your availability and full training and support are provided. See cafod.org.uk/Volunteer for more information or get in touch with Will, the local CAFOD worker, on wcruddace@cafod.org.uk or 07710 094455. Or could you take part in The Big Lent Walk? Visit cafod.org.uk/walk

Do Justice: For Parishes is an opportunity, ideal for Lent, to take up Pope Francis' invitation to become "a more synodal and missionary Church, a Church that adores God and serves the women and men of our time, going forth to bring everyone the consoling joy of the Gospel". Published by Caritas Social Action Network, it comprises three sessions with suggested follow-up, either as a 'top up' or review of mission for existing parish groups, or perhaps to set the ball rolling on work for social justice. To find out more about running Do Justice locally, visit bit.ly/dojusticenottingham

First Holy Communion: The first class for this year will be next Saturday **20th January** 9.30-11am in the Parish Centre. If you wish your child to join the class and have not yet submitted an application form, it is imperative that you do so no later than 14th January. We will not accept late entries. [Stan, First Holy Communion Catechist](#).

Weddings 2024: If you are planning to get married this year and have not already spoken with Canon Geoffrey, please speak to him after Mass. Even if you are planning to get married elsewhere, if you live in our parish your first point of contact should be with the parish clergy.

An Introduction to Catholic Christianity – to be held at St Hugh's, Monks Road: In response to a number of enquiries we are proposing to run an introductory programme in the New Year for those who are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith with a view to seeking initiation into the church in the future. If you would be interested in such a programme or know someone who would be, please send your contact details to the parish office so that we can ascertain the best time at which to run it.

Lincoln Community Grocery: Providing affordable weekly shopping and support services in Beaumont Manor 9 top end of Beaumont Fee LN1 1UL. This is not a food bank, and no referral is needed to shop here. Anyone can sign up for year for £5. Shop each day Monday to Friday for £5 per day. Also offers access to free courses – learning new skills, meeting new people, help with finding a new job.

DIARY DATES

Cake and Conversation will resume on Wednesday **17th January** in the Parish Centre 1.30-3.30pm. All welcome.

Week of Prayer and Christian Unity 18th – 24th January: Thursday 18th at Trinity URC (LN2 1HZ) at 12noon; Friday 19th at St Mary Magdalene (LN1 3AR) at 12noon; Monday 22nd at Monks Road Methodist Church (LN2 5JZ) at 11am); **Tuesday 23rd at St Hugh's at 12.30pm;** Wednesday 24th at the Quaker Meeting House (LN1 1UR) at 12.30pm. All welcome!

African Mass - There will be an African Mass held at St Hughs on Sunday **21st January** at 3pm. The Mass will be in English. All are welcome and we look forward to seeing you.

St Peter & St Paul's Prayer Group: Next meeting Tuesday **23rd January** from 7.30-9pm in the Parish Centre. All are welcome.

Lourdes Health Team: Are you a nurse, doctor or healthcare support worker who would be interested in finding out about the health team support to the Nottingham Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes? We will be holding an information evening on Thursday, **25th January** 7pm in St Hugh's Church Hall. Without a health team we would be unable to support many pilgrims to be able to undertake the pilgrimage, and we really do need your help and support, so why not come along to find out more. If you are unable to make the 25th please speak to either Dee Ellidge or Deacon David for more information.

Baptism Course: In the Parish Centre on Saturday **27th January** from 10am-12 Noon. Applications to be submitted to the Parish Office by the 22nd January.

"Healing Retreat Day & Evening" on **27th January** at OLOL with Fr Gladson Dabre, OSA. Come and join Transform Ministries to see what Jesus will do! A day and evening of inner healing, emotional, spiritual & physical healing in Jesus' name (9.30am Start, Finish at 9.30pm). Come for the whole time or just part - Mass, engaging talks, a Healing Service, praise & worship, adoration, reconciliation, testimonies, times for sharing & opportunities for individual prayer ministry. **FREE EVENT - ALL WELCOME!** *Bring a packed lunch.*

Mary's Meals are now reaching more than two million children with a nutritious meal in twenty countries every school day. Further information is available at: <https://www.marysmeals.org.uk> There will be a talk from a Mary's Meals representative at all Masses on the **27th and 28th January**.

Lincoln Council for Christians and Jews Kindertransport: International Holocaust Memorial Day - Sunday **28th January** 2024 at 3pm Bailgate Methodist Church, Lincoln LN1 3AR. The Memorial Service will include poetry, blessings and prayers drawn from Christian and Jewish sources plus lighting memorial candles and laying stones in remembrance of all victims of genocide. This year we also feature a major musical contribution by Simcha, Lincoln's Klezmer Band, with their concert documentary. See poster on the noticeboard.

Homes for Ukraine Gathering - Friday **2nd February** 2.30-4pm at the Frassati Centre, Holy Cross, Leicester LE1 6HW. Nearly two years on from the full-scale invasion of Ukraine, the need for refuge in the UK is still high. Join this afternoon hosted by Caritas Social Action Network and Saint John of God Hospitaller Services, where you can find out about the current situation, eligibility for sponsoring refugees, and key considerations for hosting. Visit bit.ly/ukraine2feb for details.

RETOUVAILLE: A Programme for Couples Struggling in their Marriages: Help Your Marriage – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille is a programme to support couples who have difficulties in their marriage. It brings a positive focus, new hope and helps nourish and grow your marriage. The programme helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. It helps them through difficult times whether they are disillusioned or in deep misery. There is no group therapy or group work. For confidential information, to register for the programme virtually **8-11 February** call/text 07887296983 / 07973 380443 or email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com - or visit www.retrouvaille.org.u

The City of Lincoln Catenians 283 are holding a Ladies night **24th February** at Hemswell Court Hotel (DN21 5TQ) starting at 7.30pm. Dress code: formal, cost £40 per head. To book contact via email: philipholmeelectrical@gmail.com

A Prayer for Peace in the Ukraine & the Middle East

Gracious God, we pray for all persons suffering from war. May they be held in your loving care and protection and given the strength to endure great suffering and hardship. Transform the hearts and minds of all those who perpetuate violence and oppression. Grant wisdom to world leaders in advancing efforts toward world peace; may they not be compromised by self-interest and blind indifference. We ask all this through the intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes and in the name of your Son Jesu and The Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen