





**Holy Family Cluster, Leicester. The Parishes of
St Joseph's, Our Lady of Good Counsel
& Sacred Heart & St Margaret Mary.
Third Week of Lent, Sunday March 3rd 2024**



Date	Time and event	Church	Mass Intentions
Saturday 2nd	6.30pm Vigil Mass	Sacred Heart	RIP Frank McCusker, John McAlinden, Sr Anna Pat Pereira.
Sunday 3rd <i>3rd Sunday of Lent</i>	9am Mass  (Live-streamed) 10.15am Mass 11.15am Stations 11.30am Mass (Live-streamed)	St Joseph's Our Lady's Our Lady's Sacred Heart	RIP John Norwell & Bob Cave. GH All Cancer Patients worldwide. RIP Luis & Olga Machado, Rickie Devine. GH Remson, Aliza & Stephenie. <i>11.15 each week of Lent except Sun 10th March 9.45 Stations due to Tamil Mass.</i> RIP Bridie Cantillon, Maria De Souza, Tommy McKenna, Eita Morley, Michael Morley Snr, Michael Morely Jnr, Tom Morley, Ann Robinson, Martin Coulson Jnr. Int. Diago Mascharenhas & Jane Cooper.

Missionary Appeal This Weekend We welcome The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver this weekend who are here to appeal on behalf of the Sisters' Mission Committee of England and Wales. They will tell us about their missionary work and will be grateful for your generous support.

Monday 4th 	9.45am Stations 10am Mass	SMM	MM George Ibrahim. 1st Anniv. Francisco Mendonca. RIP John Fernandes, Elvira & Joao De Graca.
Tuesday 5th 	9am Holy Hour 10am Mass 11.15am Stations 11.30am Mass	Sacred Heart St Joseph's	RIP Felishbina D'Silva, Kathleen Connors. Int. Fr John Daley & All People of the Holy Family Parish Cluster.
Wed 6th	10am Mass	Sacred Heart	RIP John S Fernandes
Thursday 7th 	10am Club Mass	Sacred Heart	RIP Frank McCusker, Mrs Lizzie McClean
Friday 8th	9am Stations 10am Mass 5.30pm Stations 6pm Mass	Our Lady's Sacred Heart	RIP All lost Departed Souls. RIP John D'Graca

We welcome Sebastian in Baptism at Our Lady's this weekend.



Sanctuary Lamp Intentions SH Fr David, Fr Prince & Dn Seamus.
OLGC For all unborn children.

Upcoming Funerals

Please pray for our recently deceased and their families.

Maria Rosaria Cardinale Thursday 14th March, 12 noon at St Joseph's.
Patrick Boylan Friday 15th March 11.30am at St Joseph's.
Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, may they rest in peace. Amen.



Prayer in our Parishes

Jesus Youth Mondays 6.30pm in the SH Parish hall.




Good Shepherd Prayer Group meet on Tuesdays 6-7.30pm in the Early Learners Centre, 78 Uppingham Road. Except on the last Tuesday of each month when the meeting will be at Sacred Heart Church. All welcome.

St Joseph's Blessed Sacrament Chapel is open every week day for quiet prayer. All are welcome.

Congratulations to Trey Nyoni, a past pupil of Sacred Heart & St Paul's Schools who made his debut for Liverpool FC First Team this week. Amazing!

 St Joseph's Table.  Refreshments after Mass.

Saturday 9th March - Confessions and Exposition at Our Lady's 10-10.45am.

Saturday 9th	6.30pm Vigil Mass	Sacred Heart	MM Rev Fr Jose Dias SFX
Sunday 10th <i>4th Sunday of Lent, Laetare Sunday</i>	9am Mass  10.15am Mass 11.30am Mass	St Joseph's Our Lady's Sacred Heart	The People of the Parish. RIP Nicolau & Nascimento Rodrigues, Mario & Anthony Rodrigues & Yvonne Steele Rodrigues, Sean Morton. RIP Julia Mannix. Rui Dias. 95th B'day Peggy Stokes. B'day Delroy Brito.

Churches in the Holy Family Parish Cluster: St Joseph's, 12 Goodwood Road, Leicester LE5 6SG

Our Lady of Good Counsel, 15, Peebles Way, Rushey Mead LE4 7ZB
Sacred Heart & St Margaret Mary, 25, Mere Road, Leicester LE5 3HS

St Margaret Mary Community Mass
at St Paul's Polish Church, Wakerley Rd, LE5 4WE

Parish Priest: Fr David Cain **Assistant Priest:** Fr Prince Kurian MSFS **Parish Deacon:** Rev Séamus O'Looskan

Retired Priest in the Parish: Fr John Tavares **Safeguarding Coordinator:** Mrs Mary Hirst

Safeguarding Reps: SH Martina Guedes 07513 725549 **OLGC** Tammy Pereira 07513 725402 **SJ** Alison Kennedy

Parish Office Manager: Anne Cartwright. **Pastoral Coordinator** (St Joseph's) Alison Kennedy.

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Website: www.sacredheartchurchleicester.co.uk **Facebook, YouTube & Instagram:** @sacredheartparishleicester

Live-stream from SJ Sunday 9am Mass & **SH** 11.30am on Facebook & YouTube & other services as announced.

Watermead Shop at St Joseph's

Tues, Weds, Thurs
10.30 am - 4.30 pm
Tel: 0116 2207880

Online Giftshop:
watermeadshop.co.uk
Info on Apostolate:
www.watermead-apostolate.co.uk



Easter Mass Times

Palm Sunday Mass - usual Sat Vigil (SH)/Sun Mass times with 11am procession at Sacred Heart

Maundy Thursday Mass - 7.30pm at all churches

Maundy Thursday watching until: midnight at Sacred Heart, 11pm at Our Lady's and 10pm at St Joseph's.

Good Friday Service - 3pm at all churches

Easter Vigil Mass - 7.30pm at all churches

Easter Sunday Mass - Usual Sunday Mass times at all churches

Altar Servers Practices at all churches
11am-12.30pm on Thurs 28th Mar (Maundy Thurs & Good Fri) & 11am-12.30pm on Sat 30th Mar (Easter Vigil)



Sacramental Preparation at St Joseph's

Preparation for both First Holy Communion and Confirmation will be a bit of a crash course this year so that our children and young people are fully prepared to receive these most precious sacraments. **First Holy Communion Sessions will take place after the 9am Mass on 9th & 16th March and 13th & 27th April from 10am-12.30pm.**

Confirmation sessions will also be on Sundays after 9am Mass, dates and times to follow. For those wishing to be Confirmed, we will need you to complete a form (even if you have written to Fr John) so that we have all of your details. The form will be at the back of church from next weekend, 10th March.

We also need Catechists for both of these programmes. Please let Fr David, Deacon Seamus or David Snelders know if you would like to be involved in this special ministry or email Anne in the Parish Cluster Office.

Weekly Giving Envelopes at Sacred Heart are due at the start of April. Please let Anne know if you no longer need an envelope. Where possible, please try to give by standing order.

Diocesan Retreats available this Lent
Women's Retreat Sat. 9th March at Holy Trinity, Newark.
Men's Retreat Sat. 24th March at Mount St Bernard.
See posters at all churches.

Walk of Witness

Friday 29th March 2024 9am Victoria Park to Gallowtree Gate. Walk with us to encounter the Sacrifice that Jesus made to save us.
In partnership with churches across Leicester.

Enabling Our Mission Campaign - An invite from Fr David

Our Lady's and Sacred Heart & SMM Parishes are currently undertaking the **Enabling Our Mission** Campaign which aims to help us become more outward looking and missionary, while also striving to ensure that the fewer priests now available for active ministry across the diocese are best able to serve our communities. With our 100 year anniversary taking place in Sacred Heart and St Margaret

Mary this year, and the 50 year anniversary of Our Lady of Good Counsel next year, this initiative can help provide us with the resources for the next 100 and 50 years. We will be hosting a number of small gatherings to explain this initiative at our Churches and hope you are able to make one of the following dates:

Our Lady's Hall Lounge - Friday, 8th March at 10.30am, Monday, 11th March at 7.00pm, Wednesday, 20th March, 6.00pm.
SH Club Room - Friday, 8th March at 4.45pm, SMM - Monday, 11th March at 10.30am, SH Hall - Monday, 11th March at 5.00pm.

To rsvp, please email holyfamilyleicester@dioceseofnottingham.uk or call the parish office on 0116 2511437.

I appreciate you considering my invitation and I look forward to speaking with you soon. Yours in Christ, *Fr. David*

Cross Parish Funeral Team

We would like to put together a dedicated team of parishioners to help with funerals in our parishes. The team would help to set up the churches for the funerals, to steward and welcome, to lead responses, to read if families feel unable to do this and to help with tidying and locking up after the funeral as the priest rushes off to the burial or cremation.

We would like someone to take the lead for this and act as a coordinator and contact point for our Priests and for Anne in the office. If you feel that this is something that you'd like to be involved in, please let us know by emailing the office.

Big Lent Walk for CAFOD Our Big Walk, will be on 16th March at 9.30am at Watermead Country Park (Sainsbury's side). It is a gentle low level walk of about 4½ miles (7km) & should take a couple of hours. Parishioners from all Parishes are invited to join us if you can. The aim is for us to walk 200km between us which we can do if lots of you join us. If walking is not for you, don't worry, you can donate on our Just Giving page: <https://parishes.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/holy-family-leicesters-page> or on our sponsor form at the back of church & pop your money in the basket provided. If 30 of us can do it, we'll complete the 200km CAFOD Challenge!



SH Collections 24th/25th Feb
Loose & Envelopes £595.57
Standing Orders £500.75
Total £1096.32

OLGC Collection 25th Feb
Loose & Envelopes £371.94
Standing Orders £140.25
Total £512.19

Easter Lilies At Sacred Heart this Easter, you can donate an Easter Lily in memory of a loved one. The cost of a lily is £3. Please write the name (in capital letters) of the deceased and put your donation in the basket by the statue of Our Lady at the front of the church. The names will be displayed at Easter.

Parking at our Churches

As we have fewer Masses and more people begin to attend our new Masses, please be considerate about the way that you park at our churches. We want to keep all of our parishioners and our neighbours safe. Please do not block people in—they may have to get out quickly. **Please do not park on grass verges around St Joseph's Church**, try to find legal parking on surrounding roads, with consideration for home owners, if the car park is full. It is also of utmost importance that if necessary, emergency vehicles can get close to our churches. *Thank You*

Parish Bank Account Details: **SH:** Sacred Heart Leicester RCP Account number: 00949284 Sort Code: 30-15-97 **OLGC:** Our Lady of Good Counsel Leicester RCP Account number: 51819560 Sort Code: 30-94-97. **SJ:** St Joseph's Leicester RCP Account number: 51763560 Sort Code: 30-94-97. **Please put a reference detailing the nature of your payment when paying into our Parish accounts.**

