

# SAINT JOSEPH'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Week beginning the 13<sup>th</sup> March 2022

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT: PSALTER WEEK 2



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### FATHER KEVIN SAYS...

“Dear Friends, our readings on this second Sunday of Lent invite us to travel in our hopes and expectations beyond this life and into the Life to come. We begin in the first reading with Father Abraham and the establishment of God's covenant with him, by which Abraham was given the land of Israel, 'from the wadi of Egypt to the Great river,' as an inheritance for the nation that he would be a father of. For centuries afterwards, the Hebrew people and then the Jewish nation based their presence in the Land on that ancient covenant. They still do so today. However, in the Christian understanding, this hope of possession of the Land would be transferred beyond this life to a hope of eternal happiness with God in heaven. In the gospel story of the Transfiguration, we find hints of the Messianic expectations of the time, and even the Apostles would have expected Christ to reestablish a Jewish kingdom in the Land, after successfully sending the Roman administration away. Instead, after the Transfiguration event, Christ began to foretell His suffering, death and resurrection. His kingdom was not to be an earthly kingdom; rather, He would rule the hearts of men and women from the Cross and prepare them for a world beyond this one. In our second reading, Saint Paul does speak of this new homeland of the Christian - the new Jerusalem - and he offers himself and the other Apostles to us as models of right behaviour, extremes of charity and self-sacrifice as we prepare for eternal life with God.”

Father Kevin presently blogs on the parish website, where you could find small articles on the Catholic Faith:  
<http://www.stjosephderby.org.uk/>

### Mass intentions

#### N.B. NO NEED TO BOOK FOR MASS

6 pm	<b>Second Sunday of Lent</b>	People of the Parish
<i>Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> March</i>		
8.00 am		People of the Ukraine
10.00 am		<u>Confessions</u>
10.30 am		Miguel Freitas RIP
<i>Monday the 14<sup>th</sup></i>	<b>Lenten Feria</b>	Alan Thomas RIP
10.30 am		
<i>Tuesday the 15<sup>th</sup> March</i>	<b>Lenten Feria</b>	Faithful Departed
10.30 am		
<i>Wednesday the 16<sup>th</sup></i>	<b>Lenten Feria</b>	Holy Souls (K,J)
10.30 am		
<i>Thursday the 17<sup>th</sup></i>	<b>St Patrick</b>	<u>Adoration and Benediction</u>
9.30 am		Tony Leckey RIP
10.30 am		
<i>Friday the 18<sup>th</sup></i>	<b>St Cyril of Jerusalem</b>	Holy Souls ( <u>Mass followed by Stations of the Cross</u> )
10.30 am		
<i>Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup></i>	<b>St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>	Health service workers
10.30 am		<u>Confessions</u>
11.00 am		People of the Parish
6.00 pm		
<i>Sunday the 20<sup>th</sup></i>	<b>Third Sunday of Lent</b>	People of Ukraine
8.00 am		
10.30 am		Eduardo Umadhay RIP
<b>This weekend</b>	<b>Second Collection</b>	<b>CAFOD Lent Fast Day</b>

## SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

If you are unable to attend daily Mass, you might like to use this prayer to express our faith in Christ and His Presence in the Eucharist, and we ask him to unite Himself with us.

### ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,  
come at least into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were already there  
and unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

## NEWS

### Derby University Catholic Life this Term

**Sunday Mass and Social:** Our pub trip for term will be after 6.30pm Mass on 30 January at St Mary's. The dates for the rest of the term are 13 & 27 Feb, 13 & 27 March.

**Catholic Society:** The Union of Students Catholic Society has risen again! You can sign up online at [www.derbyunion.co.uk/societies/catholic](http://www.derbyunion.co.uk/societies/catholic)

**Mass in the Multi-Faith Centre:** Has moved to 12.30pm on Fridays to better match student timetables, and begins again on 5 February, then weekly throughout term.

**Fair-trade Lunch:** 12.00noon Wednesdays, each week. There's also the 'Get Real' Philosophy group that meets at the same time. We pull a topic out of a tin to bat around for an hour - everyone is welcome, no philosophy experience needed.

**#HelpUkraine:** St Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Church in Derby have recorded a fundraising video to raise money to offer support in Ukraine. You can watch the video here: [youtu.be/Xk80NSXK85I](https://youtu.be/Xk80NSXK85I). Many other charities are running similar campaigns including Aid to the Church in Need ([www.acnuk.org](http://www.acnuk.org)) and CAFOD ([cafod.org.uk](http://cafod.org.uk)).

**CAFOD Family Fast Day – Lent Appeal:** Friday 11 March. Every child should grow big and strong. Family Fast Day is a day when we eat simply and give generously to support mums around the world. Your small act of love this Lent will make a big difference to many communities affected by extreme hunger and children suffering from malnutrition. You can donate in church using a CAFOD envelope, or by visiting the CAFOD website ([cafod.org.uk/lent](http://cafod.org.uk/lent))

**The diocesan draft Response to the Synod** is published this weekend and available on the parish website. Please take some time to read it, and send any further responses or reflections, by Saturday 19th March, 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)).

**Young Adults Group 'Christus Vivit' (18-35):** 6.30pm, Thursday 24 March, at St Mary's Derby. A chance for Young Adults to meet together and pray. Starting at 6.30pm with Adoration, with a talk by Fr Royston Price at 7.00pm followed by Night Prayer. Afterwards we will head to a local pub to continue the conversation and grow in community.

**Drive thru collection for Padley:** Saturday/Sunday 19/20 March 11.00am to 1.00pm. A modern reiteration of the tradition of blessing St Joseph's Table and giving food to those in need on 19 March, the Solemnity of St Joseph. Please tell family, friends & neighbours. Collecting food, toiletries & clothing.

**Ukraine Appeal Fundraiser:** Saturday 2 April, 11.00am-2.00pm, in St Joseph's Church Parish Hall, Burton Rd. A café style Saturday with tea and coffee, Irish coffee, cakes, etc. and a raffle. All are welcome, and please help to spread the word. Raffle prizes gratefully received.

**Walsingham Young Adults' Pilgrimage (18-35s):** Friday 10 June to Saturday 11 June. £60 which includes lunch and dinner on Friday, breakfast and lunch on Saturday and accommodation on Friday night (a twin room in Dowry House). A full pilgrimage programme integrated with the diocesan pilgrimage on Saturday 11. Places can be secured with a £30 deposit. Shared travel options are available. Register at: [shorturl.at/cBOU1](http://shorturl.at/cBOU1)

**The new diocesan website** is now live and will be promoted via diocesan social media channels and parish newsletters next week, giving time for final edits to be made before it is widely shared. The web address remains as before – <https://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk>.

**Derby CaReS update:** We are delighted to let you know that we have taken a tenancy on a property in Derby and are applying to UNHCR through the Home Office to identify a suitable family. One of the many ways we will support them is in applying for benefits and searching for work. If you have any knowledge or experience of these, please get in touch with Becky ([ahyyrjs22@gmail.com/07377646775](mailto:ahyyrjs22@gmail.com/07377646775)). If you would like to receive more detailed, regular updates by email, contact [lisjmartin@aol.com](mailto:lisjmartin@aol.com). Thank you to everyone across Derby Deanery for your generous and unwavering support in achieving this.

**The Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage.** This pilgrimage now resumes under the leadership of Bishop Patrick, from Monday 4th until Friday 8th July. Full details are on the Tangney Tours website (<https://www.tangney-tours.com/nottingham>), or by contacting Father Simon Gillespie ([simon.gillespie@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:simon.gillespie@dioceseofnottingham.uk)).

**We have had notice of planned coach-driven pilgrimages to Lourdes and Lisieux.** That to Lourdes is on June 4th – 11th 2022, with pickup from Nottingham, Derby and Leicester, the cost being £670 per person for Coach and Ferry travel, overnight stay with Bed and Breakfast at several hotels, and a few excursions. That to Lisieux takes place on April 23rd – 26th 2022, again with pickup from in Nottingham, Derby and Leicester, and the cost being £330 sharing and £360 for a single room, and for several excursions. For more information and a booking form please contact Fr. John McCay at [jmccay1982@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:jmccay1982@yahoo.co.uk) or 0115 9810320.

## THE COMMUNITY THIS WEEK

**Please keep in your prayers** all those who are sick in whatever way around the world especially those in our parish, all those in hospital, nursing homes and being looked after at home. Also remember those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur around this time. Most importantly all those who work in the NHS striving heroically to keep us all safe, the emergency services, the drivers & supermarket staff, postmen, refuse collectors and all those helping to keep the country going. We have been asked to pray also and in particular for the Nigerians, especially in the south of Nigeria, who are experiencing a great deal of social strife, with young people being slaughtered on almost a daily basis.

**Finding God in the Word.** Our meetings continue this next month. We meet from 7pm to 8pm on the first Monday of every month, when we reflect on the Gospel for the following Sunday in a prayerful atmosphere.

**Cleaning teams** Now that more people are becoming more comfortable in returning to Mass we need to reinstate our cleaning teams. Some of those who previously carried out this important ministry for our parish have indicated their willingness to continue, thank you. However, we need more volunteers please. As you will be aware the more people/teams we have the fewer times you will be needed. If you are able to offer your support in this please either email the parish [parish@stjosephderby.org.uk](mailto:parish@stjosephderby.org.uk) or let Fr Kevin know, please provide your contact details.

**Please continue to wear your masks if you wish to.** Please remember that not everyone will be comfortable with close proximity with others, so please keep this in mind as you take your seats in church.

**Confirmation Programme 2022: Registration is now open.** A joint offering of the parishes of Our Lady of Lourdes & St Joseph's. The course will begin in May, break for the summer holidays, and conclude with the Sacrament of Confirmation celebrated at Our Lady of Lourdes at 7.00pm on Friday 4 November. Please collect registration forms from the back of one of the churches and return to either St Joseph's or Our Lady of Lourdes' parish offices.

**First Holy Communion** We have experienced a high number of requests and we are unfortunately unable to accept any more. We shall begin to take new applications later in the year, please keep an eye on the newsletter for more information.

**Confessions in the church.** There is now at least half an hour for confessions before every Sunday Mass, as well as an hour for confessions after the 10.30 Mass on Saturdays. You may still call at the house, of course, if you wish (preferably calling ahead to make certain I am available).

**Repository** We have a good selection of cards for various occasions and a selection of other items. Please do ask if you would like to make a purchase.

**The Old Mass (TLM)** will continue to be offered at 8.00 am on Sundays, through the generosity of the Bishop. This is the Mass as it was until roughly 1970 and is offered in the Latin language. There are some aids for following the Mass in Latin and a simple online aid is this website: <https://divinumofficium.com/cgi-bin/missa/missa.pl>.

**Planned giving boxes.** The new boxes will be available shortly. Should you no longer require your box would you please let us know before the end of March. Thank you to all those who have continued to make your offerings and have contributed to keep the parish going through these difficult times.

**Tea and Coffee after Mass** If you would like to support this, please let us know via an email [parish@stjosephderby.org.uk](mailto:parish@stjosephderby.org.uk). There is a rota sign-up sheet in the parish centre if anybody wishes to commit. Please note that we also meet for tea and coffee after some weekday Masses, and especially on Wednesdays.

**Mass Intentions.** If you would like to have a Mass Intention please email us ([parish@stjosephderby.org.uk](mailto:parish@stjosephderby.org.uk)) with the details, we will endeavour to meet any requests for specific dates where possible. You can send your offering either by cheque or by using the bank details below. Request envelopes are available in the entrance porch.

**Bible study.** Some of our parishioners had expressed an interest in a regular bible study session last year, and the only way this could be done seemed to be with video-conferencing. **This now takes place regularly on a Thursday evening at 19.00, live, in the parish centre.** This continues this week and we have just arrived at the story of the prophet Samuel and the kings he anointed for the nation: Saul and David. If you would like to join in, feel free to come up or call the house for more information.

**Weekly parish Rosary.** The Rosary is said now in church at 10.00 on Wednesday, just before the morning Mass. There is still also the Rosary said on Zoom almost every Wednesday at 19.00. Call at the house or send e-mail if you would like to join in. **Additionally, if anybody is willing to lead a more regular – and even daily – recitation of the Rosary before or after Mass, please let me know.**

**Do you know** of anyone who does not have a computer and therefore no access to our website and newsletter? If so, please let us know or ask them to contact us by phone (343777) so we can take their details and communicate with them in an alternative way. We're prepared to mail newsletters around, so let us know if you would like that. All precautions will be taken with the handling of papers that are mailed out.

## OUR PARISH SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL (SVP) CONFERENCE

The SVP exists as a particular Catholic response to the prevalent forms of poverty and indigence in our society at large. The work of members of the society extends beyond the provision of financial support to individuals and families, focusing very much on visiting people who are sick, lonely, in prison or suffering from addictions. Person-to-person contact is essential, and spending time with those who wish it, very much in the spirit of the great French priest, Saint Vincent de Paul.

The work of the Society has been affected, like so much else, by the present public health crisis, and our rather young conference at S. Joseph's had to end their meetings early last year. Our members would like to re-establish old contacts and find new ones, as we return to work. At the moment, the best approach seems to be using telephones, while keeping to data-protection regulations. **We would like to know therefore of anybody who would benefit from friendly telephone conversations at this rather difficult time, and if they would be pleased to provide their contact details to that end.** Please contact the presbytery in the usual ways, by telephone, e-mail or post, and relevant information will be communicated to the SVP group.

If you would like to join the parish SVP group, please contact us in the usual ways and you will be redirected. If you would like to give towards the costs of the work of the SVP, please use these details: SVP St Joseph – Derby, acct 51256029, sort 60-60-04. **There is now a bin near the entrance of the church, to receive dried foods or tinned food for distribution to those who may need them.**

**Stay safe, everyone!**