

SAINT JOSEPH'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Week beginning the 8th May 2022

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

FOURTH WEEK OF EASTERTIDE: GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

PSALTER WEEK 1



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FATHER KEVIN SAYS...

“Dear Friends, this fourth Sunday in the cycle of Easter Sundays is often called 'Good Shepherd Sunday' because of the theme of the gospel reading, where Christ declares Himself to be the Shepherd of the members of His Church. This is not a new idea at all, for it is a Hebrew/Jewish idea. From the very beginning of Holy Scripture, God defines Himself as Shepherd, guiding sinful humanity back into union with Him. When He established the nation of Israel under the guidance of Moses, we may recognise Moses role (as also the role of the priests of the Hebrew religion and also the role of the kings of Israel) as vicariously serving God's self-assigned role of Shepherd. It was the burden of prophets like Isaiah and Ezekiel to foretell the time when the people of Israel would be led by both God and by a descendant of King David. And it so happened that this Descendant of King David would be God in human flesh - the Good Shepherd, our Lord Jesus Christ. In our gospel reading, Christ speaks of the close relationship between Himself and His Church - as between a shepherd and his sheep - not unlike the relationship He had had with the nation of Israel in the past. We belong to Him, we know His voice. Our first reading speaks of the mission of the first Christian priests in enlarging the bounds of the Church, in moving the fences of the sheepfold, so to speak. In the second reading, we discover this great flock of sheep, countless in number, of every nation and culture, clustered around the Shepherd, one in mind with Him, His forever.”

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

<i>Saturday 6.00pm</i>	Fourth Sunday of Easter	Fr Algy S.J. RIP
<i>Sunday the 8th May</i>		
<i>8.00 am</i>		People of the Parish
<i>10.30 am</i>		Patrick Farrell RIP
<i>Monday the 9th</i>	Easter Feria	
<i>10.30am</i>		Intentions of M D U
<i>Tuesday the 10th</i>	St John of Avila, priest & doctor	
<i>10.30am</i>		Moira Edwards RIP
<i>Wednesday the 11th</i>	SS John Houghton & Robert Lawrence	
<i>10.30am</i>		All who are sick & suffering
<i>Thursday the 12th</i>	SS Nereus & Achilleus	
<i>10.30am</i>		Fr Aspinall RIP
<i>Friday the 13th</i>	Our Lady of Fatima	
<i>10.30am</i>		People of Ukraine
<i>Saturday the 14th</i>	St Matthias	
<i>10.30am</i>		Intentions of W.W.
<i>6.00pm</i>		Rebecca & John Neil RIP
<i>Sunday the 15th</i>	Fifth Sunday of Easter	
<i>8.00 am</i>		Intentions of M.C.
<i>10.30 am</i>		People of the Parish

PLEASE NOTE THAT CONFESSIONS WILL BE HEARD FOR A HALF HOUR BEFORE ALL MASSES AND SERVICES.

Second Collection This week. **Clergy Formation**

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

Movement & Sensory Space Mass at The Church on Oakwood, Bishop's Drive, Derby DE21 2DF, on Sunday 8th May at 2pm. This will be a 'relaxed' Mass, specially adapted for those with sensory needs. The celebrant will be Fr David Cain. Refreshments afterwards. Everyone welcome.

Vocations Mass: Thursday 12 May, at St Mary's. Mass arranged by the vocations team to pray for an increase in vocations in our Diocese. The evening will start with Adoration and Confessions at 6.00pm with Mass at 7.00pm, followed by refreshments.

Please keep in your prayers the family and friends of **Mrs. Rosabel Mumbray RIP** who died recently. Her vigil will be on Wed. 18th May at 6.00pm with her R Mass on Thursday 19th May at 11.30am. **Mrs. Sheila Maloney's** family & friends also need your prayer as they grieve her loss. Her Vigil will be on Tuesday 17th May at 7.00pm with her R Mass on Wed. 18th May at 11.00am. May they rest in peace. Also all those whose anniversaries occur around this time. The people of Ukraine need your prayers as do our health service workers, all those who unwell at this time.

Bishop Patrick has sent a letter regarding support for the Ukrainian people. You can find it on the notice board and website.

#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. Many other charities are running similar campaigns including Aid to the Church in Need (www.acnuk.org) and CAFOD (cafod.org.uk).

Synod The full Diocesan report is now available on the parish website. I had put a few copies at the back of the church but they may have gone by now.

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

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). If you would like to receive more detailed, regular updates by email, contact 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).

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 or 0115 9810320.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham - Derby Deanery Coach Join with Bishop Patrick on pilgrimage to The National Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham on Saturday 11th June 2022. The Derby Deanery Coach departs from St Hugh's in Borrowash (DE72 3HB) at 7.45am (arrive for 7.30am) and leaves Walsingham at 5pm. Please remember to bring your "Picnic". To book a place, please put your name/s, email address, mobile number, emergency contact number and the name of your parish on a note in an envelope along with a cheque made payable to St Alban's RCP (Adults £20 & Children under 16 £13) and post to Walsingham Pilgrimage, St Alban's Presbytery, Roe Farm Lane, Derby, DE21 6ET. There are a limited number of places which are offered on a first come, first served basis and can only be booked by post or dropped off in person.

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 their families, and especially **Mrs. Rosabel Mumbray and Mrs. Sheila Maloney (++)**, from among our frequent Mass-goers; and also 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.

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.

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 are now available from the church porch. Please take yours. Should you be expecting one and are unable to find it please let us know. 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. 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) 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 also 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. **PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL NO MEETING THIS WEEK (12TH May) resumption on 19th**.

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.

Room to care, time to share. Become a lives shared carer. Derby City Council are currently looking for new carers to support vulnerable adults with learning disabilities, dementia and mental health problems carers. Shared Lives Carers share their home and community life with individuals over 18 years old. If you would like to know more, please contact Shared Lives Team on **01332 640777** or email **Sharedlives@derby.gov.uk**.

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!