

The Catholic Church of St Peter & St Paul Lincoln

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Second Week of Advent - Psalter Week 2	INTENTIONS / LITURGIES / OTHER
Saturday 7th December 5.15pm 6pm	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT Confessions Mary Boyle RIP (Birmingham)
Sunday 8th December 9am 11am 12.30pm Afternoon - SSPP Academy Production set up	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT People of the Parish Frances Garven RIP "Roscommon" Baptism of Delilah Oles and Ifeoma Chukwuji -
Monday 9th December 1pm SSPP Academy Rehearsals 7pm SSPP Academy Christmas Production	THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, PATRON OF OUR DIOCESE (SOLEMNITY) - -
Tuesday 10th December NOTE TIME CHANGE 10am 2pm HMP Morton Hall 7pm Age UK Concert for Christmas	Advent Feria Vinnie Bush (Seriously ill) Staff, Inmates and their Families -
Wednesday 11th December 9.30am 5pm SSPP Choir Rehearsal	Advent Feria Sister Agnes RIP (Sister of Providence) -
Thursday 12th December 9.30am 7-8.30pm Deanery Choir Rehearsal	Advent Feria Michael Barrett RIP (Birthday Remembrance) and John Munnely RIP -
Friday 13th December 11am 12 Noon	Saint Lucy, virgin and martyr (memorial) Exposition and Confession Kath Compton RIP Lunch in the Parish Centre on the First and Third Friday
Saturday 14th December 11am 2-4pm Deanery Choir Christmas Rehearsals 5.15pm 6pm	Saint John of the Cross, priest and doctor (memorial) Confessions - THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT Confessions Bill Dod RIP (36 th Anniversary)
Sunday 15th December 9am 11am	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT – GAUDETE SUNDAY People of the Parish Ron Thornton RIP (4 th Anniversary 12.12.2024)

Readers	This	6pm – S Collingham	9am – A Rowlett	11am – L Roberts
	Next	6pm – R Boyns	9am – D Easton	11am – Young People
Weekend Coffee	This	9am - 11am - V Chan		
	Next	9am – Paul and Linda 11am -		
Flower Rota	24/12	Alison, Kate		
Wednesday Coffee	This	Cecilia, Maureen, Penny and Vera		
	Next	Carol and Heidi		
Weekend Welcomers	This	6pm - Y Musson, T Buckley	9am – P & B Davis, M York, M Thompson	11am - D Rooney, T Silva, L Roberts
	Next	6pm - Y Musson, T Buckley	9am – J Briggs, M York, M Thompson	11am - D Rooney, T Silva, L Roberts

WEEKLY INCOME W/E 01/12/2024	POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR DECEMBER	
Standing Orders £ 579.53	For Pilgrims of Hope We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthens our faith, helping us to recognise the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.	PLEASE CONSIDER LEAVING YOUR PARISH A LEGACY IN YOUR WILL
Envelopes £ 68.86		
Loose Plate £ 507.69		
TOTAL £1156.08		
Second Collection -		
Friday Lunches -	IN MEMORIAM BOOK Should you wish to see your loved one's name in the anniversary book, insertion details are below the cabinet.	SSPP Parish Draw Please consider joining. Cost - monthly £5, quarterly £15, yearly £60. 01/12/2024 £100 P M Silva No 516
Weds Coffee £13.50		
Sunday Coffee -		
Repository £39.60		
Donations £1		
Mass Stipends £40		
Funeral Fees -		
Hall Fees -		
Newsletters £7.50		
Debt £159,385.95		
Paying £500 p/m		PLEASE PARK CONSIDERATELY IN THE CHURCH CAR PARK <u>PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE HYMN BOOKS IN THE LADY CHAPEL RETURN THEM TO THE SHELVES AT THE REAR OF THE CHURCH</u> THANK YOU

Parish Administrator: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 9am-5pm

Thank you to all those who donated a gift for the children at Witham Academy and Fosse Way last weekend. Thank you on the board!



Parish Christmas Fayre 2024



Thank you all for your wonderful support of the Parish Christmas Fayre last weekend. Thank you to those who donated the Raffle Prizes, so many high-quality gifts, bottles and other items, also to those who sold the Raffle Tickets. Thank you in particular to those who worked so hard organising the Fayre and manning the stalls and to the Staff, Students, and Pupils of our Schools. This was a wonderful example of our Community coming together and working together for each other and the good of the Parish! The amount raised to date, after expenses, is a magnificent £3885.30.

Canon Geoffrey

Please see the noticeboards for the Fayre Raffle Prize Winners and the amounts the stalls raised.

Please note Mass on 10th December will be celebrated at 10am, not 7pm.

Retiring Collection for Poor and Needy Parishes to be taken at all Masses this weekend.

SSPP Academy Foodbank: This weekend we collect your donations to put together some hampers for our most vulnerable families to have some special treats this Christmas. We would really appreciate donations which are treat based items please; mince pies, Christmas chocolate, Christmas Cake, Christmas Pudding, biscuits for cheese, savoury crisps and biscuits and festive snacks. Thank you.



Christmas Wreaths will be hung from the Consecration Candle Holders again this year. Should you wish to sponsor one, please deliver an envelope to the Parish Office with your contact details and your intention to be displayed in church with a suggested donation of £10 – only 12 available!

Repository – Please do have a look at the items for sale on the CTS Table after Mass. Handmade Christmas Cards, Packets of 10 cards, Advent Calendars, Advent Candles, Calendars and Diaries for 2025 are still available.

Christmas comfort for the homeless: Once again we will be decorating the Altar tree with sponsored baubles to raise funds for Nomad. For a donation (suggest approx £5) you can collect a tag to write on which will be hung on the tree over Christmas. Tags will be available after Masses and at most coffee mornings. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY (FOOTSTEPS): The Children's Liturgy leaders have been exploring how to continue to engage our young children in the Mass. It is with regret that the leaders are no longer able to continue with the footstep's session taking place during mass. In an attempt to include our young children, we will now be providing worksheets, applicable to the week's readings/gospel along with colouring pencils at the rear of the church and the Lady Chapel. Please help yourselves to these before the start of Mass and return the pencils used, at the end of Mass. The worksheets are for the children to keep. These sheets will be available at all Masses each weekend. We hope your child will enjoy their activity and just ask that it is done quietly and carefully whilst the Mass is being celebrated. Eileen & Fiona

SSPP Academy Christmas Production - Monday 9th December, at SSPP church at 7pm. This is a wonderful re-working of the Christmas nativity story. The Academy would like to extend an invitation to parishioners, family and friends to come and watch the production. We would like this to be a truly community event, where we are able to share in the beauty of Christmas together. There is no cost as we will only be asking for voluntary contributions on the evening. Our Academy choir is truly magnificent, and we know that this is an event not to be missed.

Christmas Afternoon Tea: Come and enjoy a seasonal Afternoon Tea in the Parish Centre on Tuesday 10th December 2-4pm. All the seasonal treats, great company and brilliant price of £6.50. Proceeds from the event to a Charity. See you there!

Christmas Carol Concert in aid of Lincoln and South Lincolnshire Age UK Tuesday 10th December at SSPP 7pm-8.30pm. Performances by St Hugh's Catholic Primary Voluntary Academy, St John's Primary Academy, The Catholic Deanery Choir and Catholic Deanery Youth Choir. Tickets £5.

St Peter & St Paul's Prayer Group: Next meeting Tuesday 10th December from 7.30-9pm in the Parish Centre. All are welcome.

Stations of the Nativity, developed from a zoom service during lockdown, is a Christmas meditation for adults with scripture readings, reflections and images. It is an opportunity to leave the rush of Christmas behind for an hour and reflect on the true values of the nativity story. You can join us at Trinity URC, St Martin's Square on Tuesday 10th December, at Our Lady of Lincoln Parish Centre on Wednesday 11th December or St Hugh's Church Hall on Thursday 12th December. All services start at 7pm.

Retiring Collection for SSPP Christmas Flowers for our church: To be taken over the weekend of 14th and 15th December at all Masses.

African Mass – Sunday 15th December, 3pm at St Hugh's. All are welcome.

Carols in the Arboretum – Sunday 15th December at 2.30pm: The Churches of Monks Road and the Salvation Army Band invite you to their Carol Concert, which takes place at the bandstand. There will be a collection for the Nomad Centre taken at the event.

Young Adults from across the diocese are invited to **Vespers, Carols, and Festive Nibbles** at Sacred Heart church, Leicester, on Friday 13th December with Mass at 6pm, and then Vespers and Carols celebrated with Bishop Patrick, followed with some festive nibbles afterwards! For more information or to log a dietary requirement please contact: charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk



CHRISTMAS 2024 SS Peter and Paul, Lincoln



Confessions: Wednesday 18th December 6.30pm

Friday 20th December 11.00am

Saturday 21st December: 11.00am–12.00 Noon & 5.15pm – 5.45pm

Christmas Mass Times:

Tuesday 24th December: Christmas Eve

5.30pm: Carols 6.00pm: Vigil Mass

9.30pm: Carols & Readings Midnight Mass: 10.00pm

Wednesday 25th December: Mass 10am

Thursday 26th December (Boxing Day) Feast of St Stephen

Mass 12.00 Noon

Wednesday 1st January 2025 (New Year's Day)

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Mass - 12.00 Noon

Christmas Offering Envelopes all go to the parish. If you would like to give a personal gift to Canon Geoffrey, you may do so in an envelope clearly marked for his attention and placed in the collection plate at the Christmas Masses.

2025 WEDDINGS: If you are planning to marry and have not contacted Canon Geoffrey, please speak to him after Mass. If you live in our Parish this needs to be your first point of contact even if you are planning to marry elsewhere.

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 Jesus and The Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

