

The Catholic Church of St Peter & St Paul Lincoln

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| Third Week of Advent - Psalter Week 3 | | INTENTIONS / LITURGIES / OTHER | | |
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| Saturday 14th December 5.15pm 6pm | | 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) | | |
| Monday 16th December 1pm SSPP Academy rehearsals 7pm SSPP Academy Awards Evening | | Advent Feria - - | | |
| Tuesday 17th December 2pm HMP Morton Hall 7pm 7.30-8.30pm Deanery Choir rehearsals (if needed) | | Advent Feria Staff, Inmates and their Families Liam Martin RIP - | | |
| Wednesday 18th December 9.30am 5pm SSPP Choir Rehearsal 6.30pm | | Advent Feria Bill McCarthy RIP (Birthday Remembrance) - Confessions | | |
| Thursday 19th December 9.30am 7-8.30pm Deanery Christmas Carol Concert | | Advent Feria Geoff Walker RIP - | | |
| Friday 20th December 9-10.30am SSPP Academy (whole school Celebration of the Word) 11am 12 Noon | | Advent Feria - Exposition and Confessions Elizabeth (Betty) Norris RIP (1 st Anniversary) Lunch in the Parish Centre - First and Third Friday | | |
| Saturday 21st December 11am-12 Noon 5.15pm 6pm | | Advent Feria Confessions FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT Confessions David Bell RIP (14 th Anniversary) and his daughter Geraldine Bell RIP (1 st Anniversary) | | |
| Sunday 22nd December 9am 11am | | FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT Day of Special Prayer for Expectant Mothers People of the Parish Norah Gaughan RIP (Birthday Remembrance) | | |
| Readers | This | 6pm – R Boyns | 9am – D Easton | 11am – Young People |
| | Next | 6pm – J Hughes | 9am – K Clarkson | 11am – G Hughes |
| Weekend Coffee | This | 9am – Paul and Linda Heaver | 11am - | |
| | Next | 9am – | 11am – Di Reeves | |
| Flower Rota | 24/12 | Alison, Kate | | |
| Wednesday Coffee | This | Carol and Heidi | | |
| | Next | No coffee | | |
| Weekend Welcomers | This | 6pm - Y Musson, T Buckley | 9am – J Briggs, M York, M Thompson | 11am - D Rooney, T Silva, L Roberts |
| | Next | 6pm - Y Musson, T Buckley | 9am – W Robins, M York, M Thompson | 11am - D Rooney, T Silva, L Roberts |
| WEEKLY INCOME W/E 08/12/2024 | | POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR DECEMBER | | PLEASE CONSIDER LEAVING YOUR PARISH A LEGACY IN YOUR WILL |
| Standing Orders | £ 579.53 | For Pilgrims of Hope | | |
| Envelopes | £ 64.70 | 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. | | |
| Loose Plate | £ 488.46 | IN MEMORIAM BOOK Should you wish to see your loved one's name in the anniversary book, insertion details are below the cabinet. | | |
| TOTAL | £1132.69 | | | |
| Second Collection | £186.04 | SSPP Parish Draw Please consider joining. Cost - monthly £5, quarterly £15, yearly £60. 08/12/2024 £100 Mary York No 219 | | PLEASE PARK CONSIDERATELY IN THE CHURCH CAR PARK |
| Friday Lunches | £67 | PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE HYMN BOOKS IN THE LADY CHAPEL RETURN THEM TO THE SHELVES AT THE REAR OF THE CHURCH | | |
| Weds Coffee | £10 | | | |
| Sunday Coffee | £84.19 | | | |
| Repository | £71.60 | | | |
| Donations | £26.10 | | | |
| Mass Stipends | £40 | | | |
| Funeral Fees | - | | | |
| Hall Fees | £117.50+27.50 | | | |
| Newsletters | £3.41 | THANK YOU | | |
| Debt £159,385.95 | Paying £500 p/m | Parish Administrator: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 9am-5pm | | |



CHRISTMAS 2024 SS Peter and Paul, Lincoln



Confessions:

Wednesday 18th December 6.30pm

Friday 20th December 11.00am - 12 Noon

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

Friday 27th December Exposition & Confession: 11.00am
Mass 12 Noon

Wednesday 1st January 2025 (New Year's Day) Solemnity of Mary,
Mother of God - Mass 12.00 Noon

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 10 now available!

Deanery Choir: A Merry Little Christmas; Thursday 19th December at 7.00pm

An Evening of Music Carols, Readings and Verse for Advent and Christmas. Admission Free with a Retiring Collection

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 Fayre 2024

The total figure raised for the Parish was a magnificent £3895.90!
Sincere thanks to all for their support. Canon Geoffrey

Christmas Offering

Loose plate and 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.

Crib Offerings

The candle stand in The Lady Chapel is designated for the 2024 Christmas Crib Offerings to The Friends of The Holy Land. Thank you.

Christmas Flowers

Retiring Collection to be taken at all Masses this weekend.

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.



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

"One in Four" toy donations can be brought up to the Sanctuary steps during the offertory and will be taken up to St Hugh's after the 11am Mass

finishes for distribution to children in poverty and in need of a gift this Christmas. Thank you for your donations.

Christmas comfort for the homeless: Once again we will be decorating the Altar Christmas tree with sponsored baubles to raise funds for Nomad. For a donation (suggestion £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

School admissions to Catholic Primary Academies (Reception class) - children born between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021: The deadline for submitting applications for a school place is 15th January 2025. Application forms are available on 'home' Local Authority websites. For every Catholic school application where a child is to be considered and ranked under a faith criterion there should also be a supplementary information form, completed and returned to the school by the deadline; these forms are available from the LA and the school. Applicants must also include the supporting evidence as required with this form, eg baptism certificate (photocopies acceptable; contact the parish of baptism for a copy if needed, in good time). Failure to supply the required supporting evidence will mean the child is ranked in a lower criterion, which may affect chances of a place.

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

Warm Spaces will resume on Wednesday 8th January 2025 from 1.30-3.30pm in the Parish Centre.

St Peter & St Paul's Prayer Group: Resumes on Tuesday 14th January 2025 7.30-9pm in the Parish Centre. All are welcome.

Join CAFOD online on Saturday 18th January 2025 from 10.30am until 12 Noon for Get Jubilee Ready, a general introduction to the Jubilee Year with some special guests. Hear what Jubilee years are all about, how we're celebrating as a global and national Church, and how we can be tangible signs of hope and build a better world together throughout this holy year. Visit: <https://cafod.org.uk/news/events/a-year-of-hope-an-introduction-to-the-jubilee-year>



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.

Parish Office – The office will be closed from Friday 20th December reopening on Monday 6th January 2025. Newsletters for each weekend will be printed in advance. Please ensure all items for the newsletter during this time are at the Parish Office for inclusion by Tuesday 17th December. Thank you.

