

The Catholic Church of St Peter & St Paul Lincoln

A Live Simply, Sustainably and in Solidarity Award Recipient

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First Week of Ordinary Time - Psalter Week 1	INTENTIONS / LITURGIES / OTHER
Saturday 11th January 5.15pm 6pm	FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD Confessions Joyce Doran RIP
Sunday 12th January 9am 11am	FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD Brendan O'Donnell RIP (3 rd Anniversary) People of the Parish
Monday 13th January No Mass	Feria -
Tuesday 14th January 2pm HMP Morton Hall 7pm	Feria Staff, Inmates and Their Families Libera lanotta
Wednesday 15th January 9.30am 1pm	Feria Maureen Nadin RIP (3.12.24) Funeral Service for Barry Rowe RIP
Thursday 16th January 9.30am 7-8.30pm Deanery Choir Rehearsal	Feria Chris and Mary Briggs -
Friday 17th January 11am 12 Noon	Saint Anthony, abbot (memorial) Exposition and Confessions Gerard Boshell RIP (4.12.24)
Saturday 18th January 11am 5.15pm 6pm	Feria Confessions SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Confessions Susan Hobson RIP and Christine Halton RIP
Sunday 19th January 9am 11am	SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Peace Sunday - Day of Special Prayer for Peace Marie Bray RIP (First Anniversary) People of the Parish

Readers	This	6pm – R Boyns	9am – O'Donnell Family	11am – S Mitchell
	Next	6pm – M Costello	9am – T Rowlett	11am – G Hughes
Weekend Coffee	This	9am – Paul and Linda Heaver	11am –	
	Next	9am –	11am –	
Flower Rota	-	TBA		
Wednesday Coffee	This	Linda		
	Next	Di and Peggy		
Weekend Welcomers	This	6pm - Y Musson, T Buckley	9am – K & J Clarkson, M York, M Thompson	11am - D Rooney, T Silva, L Roberts
	Next	6pm - Y Musson, T Buckley	9am – P & B Davis, M York, M Thompson	11am - D Rooney, T Silva, L Roberts

WEEKLY INCOME W/E 22/12 29/12 05/01			POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY		PLEASE CONSIDER LEAVING YOUR PARISH A LEGACY IN YOUR WILL
Standing Orders	£ 579.53	579.53	579.53	For the right to an education Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.	
Envelopes	£ 61.56	123.40	57.00		
Loose Plate	£ 657.94	404.88	371.60		
TOTAL	£1299.03	1107.81	1008.13		
Christmas Offering		1506.52			
Friday Lunches	£57.00			IN MEMORIAM BOOK Should you wish to see your loved one's name in the anniversary book, insertion details are below the cabinet.	
Weds Coffee	£20				
Sunday Coffee	£44.40		88.00	SSPP Parish Draw Please consider joining. Cost - monthly £5, quarterly £15, yearly £60.	
Repository	£16.26	9.70	5.00		
Donations			6.00	05/01/2025 £100 Nora Creane No 395	
Mass Stipends	£60	50	65.00		
Funeral Fees	-		650.00	PLEASE PARK CONSIDERATELY IN THE CHURCH CAR PARK PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE HYMN BOOKS IN THE LADY CHAPEL RETURN THEM TO THE SHELVES AT THE REAR OF THE CHURCH THANK YOU	
Hall Fees	-		205.00		
Newsletters	-		15.15		
Debt £159,385.95	Paying £500 p/m				

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.

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

THE JUBILEE YEAR officially began on the 29th December. The Jubilee Prayer will be prayed at each Mass in the Diocese throughout 2025. Jubilee Prayer Cards are available in church.

Confirmations 2025

Bishop Patrick will be visiting our Parish on Saturday 28th June to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for the young people of the Parishes of SS Peter & Paul, St Hugh's and Our Lady of Lincoln.

The preparation sessions for those who have applied to receive this Sacrament will commence on Thursday 23rd January in the Parish at 7.00pm. All candidates are requested to arrive no later than 6.50pm that evening, so that we can make a prompt start.

This will be an introductory session and full details of further sessions and requirements of Candidates will be given during this session.

On Thursday 16th January 2025 young people who were confirmed in 2022 are invited to come along to a meeting with the Catechists (with pizza) in the Parish Centre at 7.00pm to discuss how they can assist with this year's preparations.

Canon Geoffrey

Second Collection to be taken at all Masses this weekend for the Sick and Retired Priests Fund: Donations to this fund are to provide a sum for the priests of the Diocese who are currently in service so that an annual grant can be paid to them when they retire. The fund is also used to support priests if they are sick and unable to work for any reason.

Safeguarding - CSSA Online Training: The deadline for completing the online training, for volunteers in DBS checked roles, has now been extended to 31st March 2025. All volunteers that hold a DBS for their role in the Parish are required to complete this training. The training is available at <https://training.catholicssafeguarding.org.uk/> If you have problems accessing the training, email me and I will re-send the link and guidance for the process. Thank you, Ted Coatsworth - Safeguarding Representative

Sunday Morning Tea/Coffee Rota: Please consider offering to volunteer and serve refreshments in the Parish Centre after the morning Mass you attend to raise funds towards the parish debt. There are free slots this month. All the refreshments are in the kitchen, you would just need to bring in some milk, set up, serve after Mass and tidy away. There will be current volunteers happy to show you what to do, so please do fill in a slot on the rota and give it a go. The Rota is on the noticeboard in the Lady Chapel. Thank you.

Hospital Admission: If you or a member of your family are admitted to hospital, the parish clergy are not automatically informed. If you wish to receive visits from a chaplain and/or receive any of the sacraments whilst in hospital, please let us know. Alternatively ask a member of the ward staff to contact the hospital chaplaincy team and they will arrange it. The chaplaincy team also hold the rota of priests available for administering the Sacrament of the Sick in emergencies at night.

Readers Rota: New Rota available from the top of the hymn bookshelves.

THE POPE'S WORLDWIDE PRAYER NETWORK: You can accompany Pope Francis in his monthly prayer requests via the website: www.thepopevideo.org

Collection - During January and February we will be collecting to fill Backpacks for the men being discharged from Lincoln Prison. The Holy Father has recently reminded us that God is a God of Second Chances, and one of the Corporal works of Mercy is to visit the Imprisoned. We will need Toiletries, Woolly Hats, Scarves, Socks and Gloves. Chocolate Bars. and £5 Supermarket Vouchers. From January there will be collection boxes in the Narthex and a list of contents just as a reminder. Many thanks for your continuing generosity.

Warm Spaces from 1.30-3.30pm in the Parish Centre on a Wednesday afternoon. All are welcome.

St Peter & St Paul's Prayer Group: The next meeting will be on Tuesday 14th January from 7.30-9pm in the Parish Centre. All are welcome.

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. 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, e.g. 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.

Craft and Chat: First group meeting is on Thursday 16th January and then weekly thereafter in the Parish Centre from 1.30-3.30pm. Bring your craft and join us. Nominal charge of £1 to cover refreshments.

Join CAFOD online on Saturday 18th January 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 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>

African Mass in the English Language: In St Hugh's Church next Sunday, 19th January at 3pm. All are welcome and we look forward to seeing you there.

EVERYDAY EVANGELISING - Explore sharing your faith: Join Bishop Patrick on Saturday, 25th January 10am-3:30pm at Holy Trinity Parish, Newark, for a day focused on how we can share our faith in simple ways every day! The day will be led by Deacon David Palmer (Birmingham Archdiocese) who will help us develop ways to live our baptismal calling to be Jesus' ambassadors in the world. There is no cost to the day but please bring a packed lunch. Book your place here: www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/every-day-evangelising

The Annual White Flower Appeal for The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) will be held at all Masses over the weekend of 25th and 26th January.

Are you between 16 and 35 years of age and are passionate about defending the rights of unborn babies and eager to make a lasting impact? Look no further **SPUC** invites you to be part of a transformative experience at the **2025 Youth Conference themed 'Unmuted'** on **Friday 21st February - Sunday 23rd February at Yarnfield Park Conference Centre, Stone, ST15 0NL**. Cost £140. For further details visit <https://spuc.org.uk/youthconference>

Baptism Course: To be held on Saturday 1st February in the Parish Centre from 10am-12 Noon. Please ensure application forms for this course are at the Parish Office by the 27th January.



Many of you will have heard of the Charity LEPRA whose purpose is to care for those who suffer with leprosy and work to discover a cure for this disease. Over the weekend of 8th/9th February there will be a short presentation, and opportunity should you wish to support the work of LEPRA.

FLAME is the largest Catholic youth event in England and Wales, and the Nottingham Diocese Catholic Youth Service is co-ordinating a group to attend next year, along with 8,000 young people who will fill the OVO Wembley Arena on Saturday, 15th March for a day of prayer, adoration, catechesis, reflection, celebration and praise. If you are interested in attending email: michelle.thomas@ndcys.co

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.