

The Catholic Church of St Peter & St Paul Lincoln

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Fourth Week of Ordinary Time - Psalter Week 4	INTENTIONS / LITURGIES / OTHER
Saturday 1st February 5.15pm 6pm	FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD – CANDLEMAS Confessions People of the Parish
Sunday 2nd February 9am 11am	FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD – CANDLEMAS Day of Special Prayer for Consecrated Life Sue Burke RIP Andy Payne RIP
Monday 3rd February No Mass	Feria -
Tuesday 4th February 10.30am – Note change of time 2pm HMP Morton Hall	Saint Gilbert of Sempringham, religious (memorial) James Frederick Macalpine Levy RIP (3 Jan 2018) Staff, Inmates and Their Families
Wednesday 5th February 9.30am	Saint Agatha, virgin and martyr (memorial) Anthony Conroy (poorly)
Thursday 6th February 9.30am 7-8.30pm Deanery Choir Rehearsals	Saints Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs of Japan (memorial) That Sue rests in peace and her family come to terms with their loss -
Friday 7th February 11am 12 Noon	Feria Exposition and Confessions Alan Bellamy RIP (friends father) Lunch in the Parish Centre – First and Third Friday of the month
Saturday 8th February 11am 5.15pm 6pm	Feria Day of Special Prayer for the victims of Trafficking Confessions FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Confessions Beatrice White RIP
Sunday 9th February 9am 11am	FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Katie McCoy RIP (Birthday Remembrance) and Mick McCoy RIP (Loved and Missed always) People of the Parish

Readers	This	6pm – S Collingham	9am – C Scanlon	11am – J Mitchell
	Next	6pm – J Hughes	9am – A Rowlett	11am – S Mitchell
Weekend Coffee	This	9am and 11am – Agnieszka		
	Next	9am – Paul and Linda 11am		
Flower Rota	-	TBA		
Wednesday Coffee	This	Cecilia, Maureen, Penny, Vera		
	Next	Carol and Heidi		
Weekend Welcomers	This	6pm - Y Musson, T Buckley	9am – W Robins, M York, M Thompson	11am - D Rooney, T Silva, L Roberts
	Next	6pm - Y Musson, T Buckley	9am – M Hardy, M York, M Thompson	11am - D Rooney, T Silva, L Roberts

WEEKLY INCOME W/E 19/01/2025		POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY		PLEASE CONSIDER LEAVING YOUR PARISH A LEGACY IN YOUR WILL
Standing Orders	£ 579.53	For vocations to the priesthood and religious life Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.		
Envelopes	£ 70.26			
Loose Plate	£ 455.31	IN MEMORIAM BOOK Should you wish to see your loved one's name in the anniversary book, insertion details are below the cabinet.		
TOTAL	£1105.10			
Second Collection	-	SSPP Parish Draw Please consider joining. Cost - monthly £5, quarterly £15, yearly £60. 26/01/2025 £100 Mary Anne Clark No 443 £200 Sue Spicknell No 163		
Friday Lunches	£45			
Weds Coffee	£12.50	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		
Sunday Coffee	£67 and £22.20			
Repository	£11.30			
Donations	£10			
Mass Stipends	£90			
Funeral Fees	-			
Hall Fees	-			
Newsletters	£4.95			
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

NOMAD Christmas tree sponsored baubles raised £209.02

Many thanks to those who so generously donated the sum of £394.04 to the **White Flower Appeal** and which is very much appreciated

The Jubilee Prayer will be prayed at each Mass in the Diocese throughout 2025. Jubilee Prayer Cards are available in church.



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. Next weekend there will be a short presentation, and opportunity should you wish to support the work of LEPRA.

Thank you: 'Friends of the Holy Land would like to thank all parishioners for the crib collection of £313.97 for Christians in the Holy Land. Conditions continue to be extremely challenging. Please continue to remember FHL and those we support in your prayers as your love and prayers keep them strong.'

SSPP Academy Outdoor Chapel: The Academy are currently in the process of creating an outdoor chapel and we would like this to represent the Catholic community of the school, past and present. To help towards the costs, we are looking for donations of £30 towards each bench and garden area. The bench will then be dedicated to either a person or a family. If you would be interested in doing this, then please contact Caroline Hewardine at the Academy 01522 871400 or by email caroline.hewardine@sspp.lincs.sch.uk

Jubilee Year: Bishop Patrick has asked that we celebrate the contributions of various groups on various dates throughout the year. **Sunday 2nd February:** (Special Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life) Jubilee of Religious, an occasion to give thanks for the contribution of religious especially the Sisters of Providence in Lincoln. **Sunday 9th February:** Jubilee of the Sick and of Health Care Workers, there will be an opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick at all Sunday Masses. Jubilee of Marriages: Bishop Patrick warmly invites all married couples to Saint Barnabas Cathedral on **Sunday 16th February** when we will celebrate Mass at 3pm to mark the Jubilee of Marriages. Bishop Patrick will lead a Renewal of Vows during the Mass, impart a special Jubilee Blessing, and afterwards host a Reception in Cathedral Hall. All married couples (and their families) are very welcome to attend, especially those recently married, and those celebrating significant anniversaries this Jubilee year.

Collection - During January and February we are collecting items 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. Please leave donations in the Narthex where there is also a full list of the items needed. Thank you.

You are invited! Between now and 28th June please continue to keep the Confirmation candidates in prayer. A candle remains alight, on the altar in the Lady Chapel, to symbolise the parish holding the candidates in constant prayer. Together let us show the young people that they are valued and vital members of our Catholic community and encourage them to grow in discipleship and missionary discipleship. Please remember, too, those assisting the candidates with their preparation. Thank you.

Defibrillator Training: We need to have people at all masses who are competent and confident with the use of our defibrillator, and in issuing CPR. We therefore intend to hold a CPR and defibrillator training session in the near future. If you are interested in receiving the training, please add your name (and contact number if you wish) to the sheet in the Narthex. If you are already recently trained in this field and would like to add your name to our list, please do so and indicate that you are pre-trained. Thank you; Ted Coatsworth.

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

Warm Spaces 1.30-3.30pm in the Parish Centre on a Wednesday afternoon.

Craft and Chat: In the Parish Centre 1.30-3.30pm on a Thursday. Bring your craft and join us. Nominal charge of £1 to cover refreshments.

Children's Rosary: A new group at St Hugh's Church, beginning on Sunday 2nd February and continuing on the first Sunday of each month. 5pm arrival and welcome, 5:15pm pray the rosary. For families with children of any age, from babies to teenagers. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. All abilities and languages are welcome. We would love for those who speak another language to lead a decade in their language. It will be interactive to engage children in the prayers and there will be a treat to take home at the end. It doesn't matter if you have never prayed the rosary before, you are welcome to attend and can participate as much or as little as you like. If you have any questions about the group, please contact Jess on 07561 315496.

Next week, the **Nottingham Diocesan Catholic Youth Service** is bringing The Briars to a parish near you! It will be at Our Lady of Lincoln on Wednesday 5th February at 5.30pm. Come and hear about the exciting opportunities at the Youth Service, the skills you will gain and how these opportunities will help you to discover God's call. For information email: events@ndcys.com or visit: www.ndcys.com/events-and-opportunities

CHURCHES WITHOUT WALLS (CWW) Centring Prayer and Contemplative Meditation: We will meet from 2.45-4.45pm on 6th and 20th February, then normally every 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month, thereafter, at St Lawrence's CofE, Church Lane, Bardney, LN3 5TZ. "Come and See!" (Jn 1:39,46,4:29). For more details please contact Deacon James Hunter james.hunter200@btinternet.com

St Peter & St Paul's Prayer Group: The next meeting will be on Tuesday 11th February from 7.30-9pm in the Parish Centre. All are welcome

Young Adults Lincoln - We are back and ready to talk about God. We are meeting on Thursday **13th February** at 200 Degrees Coffee Shop in Lincoln on the Cornhill. Starts at 6pm and finishes at 8pm. This month the Diocesan Briars team will tell us a bit about their work with young people in the Diocese. There will be a FREE COFFEE! So come along, Perry and Cat :)

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 **21st to 23rd February** at **Yarnfield Park Conference Centre, Stone, ST15 0NL**. Cost £140. For further details visit <https://spuc.org.uk/youthconference>

Reminder: The information meeting for First Holy Communion parents and children is on **Saturday 22nd February from 10-11am** in the Parish Centre.

You Can Help Your Marriage – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped because it only makes it worse? Retrouvaille has helped 10s of 1000s of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about the next programme which will be presented on Zoom, 27th February–2nd March email: info@retrouvaille.org.uk, or 07887296983 or www.retrouvaille.org.uk

Date for your Diary - Friday 7th March at 10am. *World Day of Prayer*, prepared by the women of the Cook Islands. Come and join us at SSPP with the Women of the World in praying for peace and Justice for all living in conflict. All are very welcome to attend!

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 interested 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