

The Catholic Church of St Peter & St Paul Lincoln

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PLEASE READ NOTICES IN CHURCH AND THE PARISH CENTRE INDICATING THE DEFIBRILATOR LOCATION: ON THE LINK WALL BY THE FIRE DOOR

| Second Week of Lent - Psalter Week 2 | INTENTIONS / LITURGIES / OTHER |
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| Saturday 15th March 5.15pm 6pm | SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT Confessions Joyce Doran RIP |
| Sunday 16th March 9am 11am 12.30pm | SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT People of the Parish PJ Sweeney RIP (80 th Birthday) Baptism of Maria Pomykala |
| Monday 17th March NOTE CHANGE 12 Noon | FEAST OF SAINT PATRICK, BISHOP, PATRON OF IRELAND Patsy Dillon RIP |
| Tuesday 18th March 2pm HMP Morton Hall 7pm | Lenten Feria Staff, Inmates and their Families Holy Souls |
| Wednesday 19th March 9.30am 12.30pm | SAINT JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, (SOLEMNITY) Mr Denis Fawcett RIP Funeral Service for Dovile Jurgelionyte RIP |
| Thursday 20th March 9.30am 7-8.30pm Deanery Choir Rehearsal | Lenten Feria Patsy Dillon RIP - |
| Friday 21st March 11am 12 Noon 6.30pm | Lenten Feria Exposition and Confessions Patsy Dillon RIP Lunch in the Parish Centre on the First and Third Friday Stations of the Cross |
| Saturday 22nd March 11am 5.15pm 6pm | Lenten Feria Confessions THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT Confessions Marie Clark RIP |
| Sunday 23rd March 9am 11am | THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT People of the Parish James Sweeney RIP (Co. Donegal, Ireland 20.2.2025) |

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| Readers | This | 6pm – S Collingham | 9am – T Rowlett | 11am – L Roberts |
| | Next | 6pm – J Hughes | 9am – D Easton | 11am – D Bil |
| Weekend Coffee | This | 9am and 11am – Fundraising Circle of Friends | | |
| | Next | 9am Mary, Dave, Mary 11am | | |
| Wednesday Coffee | This | Chris and Jo | | |
| | Next | Cecilia, Maureen, Penny and Vera | | |
| 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 09/03/2025 | | POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH | | PLEASE CONSIDER LEAVING YOUR PARISH A LEGACY IN YOUR WILL |
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| Standing Orders | £ 579.53 | For Families in Crisis Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences. | | |
| Envelopes | £ 68.30 | | | |
| Loose Plate | £ 581.03 | IN MEMORIAM BOOK Should you wish to see your loved one's name in the anniversary book, insertion details are below the cabinet. | | |
| TOTAL | £1228.86 | | | |
| Second Collection | - | SSPP Parish Draw Please consider joining. Cost - monthly £5, quarterly £15, yearly £60. | | READERS ROTA: PLEASE COLLECT A COPY OF THE NEW ROTA FROM THE TOP OF THE HYMN BOOKSHELVES 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 |
| Friday Lunches | £109 | 09/03/2025 £100 Mr J McKerracher No 22 | | |
| Weds Coffee | £10.25 | | | |
| Sunday Coffee | £132 | | | |
| Repository | £78.95 | | | |
| Donations | £3 | | | |
| Mass Stipends | £50 | | | |
| Funeral Fees | - | | | |
| Hall Fees | - | | | |
| Newsletters | £7.70 | | | |
| Debt £159,385.95 | Paying £500 p/m | | | |

REPOSITORY There is a very good selection of Mothers' Day Cards, Easter Cards and Cards for all Occasions available on the Repository Table

Parish Administrator: Thursday 20th and Friday 21st from 9am - 5pm

Voluntary Retiring Collection at all Masses this weekend for CAFOD Lent Fast Day.

African Mass at St Hugh's on Sunday 16th March 3pm. The Mass will be in English, all are welcome to attend, and we look forward to seeing you there.

Please keep the Confirmation candidates in prayer. A candle remains alight on the Lady Chapel altar, to symbolise the parish holding the candidates in constant prayer.
Remember also those assisting the candidates to prepare.

Parish Centre Key: The key for the Parish Centre which is kept in the Sacristy Kitchen has been taken. Whoever has it is requested to return it as a matter of urgency

Jubilee Year: As we are aware, this year is a Jubilee Year. As a Deanery we will be celebrating this with a **Station Mass** at Our Lady of Lincoln on Tuesday 8th April. The evening will start with Confessions and Exposition at 6pm, followed by Mass at 7pm celebrated by Bishop Patrick. All are invited to attend.

Rite of Election: Last Sunday at St Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham several hundred people gathered to celebrate the Rite of Election. Amongst those who were there were, Jennifer, Atvars and Bernice. These parishioners were accepted as Catechumens and will be Baptised during at the Easter Vigil this year. Please do pray for them, their sponsors and their catechists.

Statue of the Sacred Heart: Many of you will recall the Providence Convent here in Lincoln and its beautiful Chapel. I am most grateful to the Providence Sisters who have been able to donate to the Parish the statue of Sacred Heart which was in the Chapel to the Parish. It is need of repair and refurbishment. The approximate costs for this and for a plinth/stand are in the region of £2,200. Should anybody wish to make a specific donation towards the repairs etc, please contact Canon Geoffrey.

Nottingham Diocesan Jubilee Lourdes Pilgrimage 14th-18th July. Includes a full liturgical programme with Mass each day; return direct flights from East Midlands Airport to Lourdes; four nights full board in a three or four star hotel; assistance (for those who need it) from the Diocesan Hospitalité and Health Team. Prices from £899 visit www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/events/lourdes
Young adults (18-35) are warmly invited to join the Jubilee Lourdes Pilgrimage. For young adults interested in supporting pilgrims, deepening faith, and coming together as a community, contact charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk or visit www.tangney-tours.com/tours-and-pilgrimages/diocese-nottingham-ya/

Lives Worth Living a campaign of SPUC petition postcards 'Yes to our Hospices No to Assisted Suicide.' call on the Prime Minister to fund the urgent staffing needs of our hospices so that dying patients get the best care available and can have a dignified, peaceful death. Postcards available in the Lady Chapel and also online www.spuc.org.uk/campaign/yes-to-ourhospices/

40 Days for Life is an international movement which seeks to end the injustice of abortion through prayer and fasting, and by changing one heart at a time. It is peaceful, legal and non-judgemental. You can help protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization! Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers. The Nottingham Pro-Life Prayer Vigil starts on Ash Wednesday and continues through Lent. To take part or to find out more go to www.40daysforlife.com or email 40daysforlifennotts@gmail.com

Along with the Cathedral and seven other churches in the Diocese, Bishop Patrick has designated the Church of the Good Shepherd, Nottingham as a place of pilgrimage for this Jubilee Year. A **Pilgrim Trail** has been set up and a printed guide will be available at the church. The Trail will be open for individual devotions after Mass each day and on most Thursday afternoons, subject to demand. Pre-arranged group visits from parish, deanery, chaplaincy, school or other groups are especially welcome - to discuss a group visit please contact the parish administrative suite on 0115 926 8288.

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

The Diocesan Education Service is hosting a Network Day for families who home educate their children on Monday 17th March from 10am in Our Lady of Lincoln Parish Centre, Lincoln, LN2 2HE. Bring a packed lunch and something to share with others.

Churches Together in Lincoln and District: The next meeting is in St Hugh's Church Hall on Tuesday 18th March at 7pm. We are tracing the rich history of the Church in Lincoln, in this session from the Norman Conquest to the Reformation. It is an illustrated talk led by Deacon John Wilford. The title is: Medieval Beliefs, Bishops and Buildings. All are welcome.

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. **PLEASE NOTE**

There is no meeting on the 20th March. Resumes on the 27th. Thank you.

Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) Lincoln Pro-life Witness against Assisted Suicide: With Kim Leadbetter's **Terminally Ill Adults Bill**, which will legalise assisted suicide, progressing through Parliament and approaching its Third and final reading in the House of Commons, it is now very urgent that we draw the public's attention to the dangers of legalised assisted suicide, especially on the disabled, elderly and vulnerable. Please join our **silent roadside witness on Saturday 22nd March 11am-1pm on Tritton Road, Lincoln**. Our message to the public and passing drivers will be "NO TO ASSISTED SUICIDE" and "LET'S CARE NOT KILL". We meet at approximately 500 yds heading towards the city centre from the Co-op Funeral Services LN6 7QY. For further details, including advice on parking, contact Julie Rogers 07465 440171 email julierogers.uk@gmail.com

Retiring Collection at all Masses on the 22nd/23rd March: Jubilee initiatives and projects at the Catholic National Shrine & Basilica of Our Lady of Walsingham.

St Peter & St Paul's Prayer Group: The next meeting will be on Tuesday 25th March from 7.30-9pm in the Parish Centre. All are welcome.

Nottingham Cathedral Choir and Youth Choir are gearing up to perform the Bach St John Passion on Saturday 29th March at 7.45pm, in Saint Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham. The St John Passion is the perfect preparation for Holy Week. Since the performance falls the day before Mothering Sunday, the Choirs are offering 10% off tickets if you are treating your mum! This discount is available until 19th March; use the code MUM10 at the checkout.

SSPP Defibrillator Training: Thank you to all those who have shown an interest in the planned Defibrillator training. Wednesday 2nd April at 7pm in the Parish Centre. Ted Coatsworth

The Catholic Union is holding a webinar on the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill on 3rd April at 6.30pm. Chaired by Baroness Hollins, President of the Catholic Union, it will give members and supporters the chance to unpick the Bill guided by three experts: Dr Matthew Doré, Dr Philip Howard and Professor Julian Hughes, before the Bill returns to the Commons' Chamber for a Third Reading on 25th April. www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/hard-cases-dont-make-good-law-assisted-suicide-webinar-tickets1233106176769?aff=oddtcreator

The Diocesan Choir is hosting a morning rehearsal for singers of the diocese to come together to learn music to sing at the Diocesan Chrism Mass. All are welcome! The morning is on Saturday, 5th April, 10.30am - 1pm; and the Chrism Mass on Wednesday, 16th April, from 10am. To sign up contact cathedralmusic@dioceseofnottingham.uk

The Diocesan **Women's Lent Retreat**, Saturday 5th April. The theme of the retreat is 'The Sacred Heart: An Icon of Hope' given by Canon Jonathan Cotton, a fantastic retreat leader. Good Shepherd Church, Nottingham NG5 4HT will host the retreat which will include Holy Mass, talks, confession, social time and more. The cost of the day is £15, please bring a packed lunch.

Join men from across the diocese on Saturday 12th April for our annual **Men's Retreat** at Mount Saint Bernard Abbey. The theme of the retreat is 'The Journey Through Holy Week' and it will be given by Father John Farrell OP, former provincial of the Dominican Order. The retreat will include Holy Mass in the Abbey, talks, confession, guided adoration and more. The cost of the day is £15, please bring a packed lunch. For more details and to book please visit dioceseofnottingham.uk/events

SVP/CAFOD: The Saint Vincent de Paul Society and CAFOD are working together to offer a week of free residential work experience for 20 young adults in England and Wales from 22nd-27th June in London. Candidates must have completed their first or second year at university and have a passion for social justice. Applications close on 20th April. For enquiries email KeziaH@svp.org.uk

Peace Prayer for 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