

# The Catholic Church of St Peter & St Paul Lincoln

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

Fifth Week of Lent - Psalter Week 1	INTENTIONS / LITURGIES / OTHER
<b>Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April</b> 5.15pm 6pm	<b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT</b> Confessions Patsy Dillon RIP
<b>Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April</b> 9am 11am	<b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (PASSION SUNDAY)</b> People of the Parish James Sweeney RIP (County Donegal, Ireland 20.2.2025)
<b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April</b> No Mass	<b>Lenten Feria</b> -
<b>Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April</b> <b>NOTE CHANGE TO 7PM MASS</b> 2pm HMP Morton Hall 7pm Deanery Station Mass at Our Lady of Lincoln Church	<b>Lenten Feria</b> Staff, Inmates and their Families Ann Calvey (Recovery from surgery)
<b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April</b> 9.30am	<b>Lenten Feria</b> Kathy Kelly (Birthday)
<b>Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April</b> 9.30am 7-8.30pm Deanery Choir Rehearsal	<b>Lenten Feria</b> In honour of St Joseph, in thanksgiving for all the graces granted through his intercession -
<b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April</b> 11am 12 Noon 6.30pm	<b>Lenten Feria</b> Exposition and Confessions Betty Norris RIP (Birthday Remembrance) Lunch in the Parish Centre - First and Third Friday Stations of the Cross
<b>Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> April</b> 11am  5.15pm 6pm 7pm Tamil Mass	<b>Lenten Feria</b> Confessions <b>PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD</b> Confessions Denis White RIP -
<b>Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April</b> 9am 11am	<b>PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD</b> Patsy Dillon RIP People of the Parish

Readers	This	6pm – M Borman	9am – A Rowlett	11am – G Hughes
	Next	6pm – Y Buckingham	9am – B Bond	11am – J Lewis
Weekend Coffee	This	9am and 11am – Easter Bazaar		
	Next	9am - 11am -		
Wednesday Coffee	This	Mike and Teresa		
	Next	Sue		
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 30/03/2025		POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL		PLEASE CONSIDER LEAVING YOUR PARISH A LEGACY IN YOUR WILL
Standing Orders	£ 579.53	<b>For the use of the new technologies</b> Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person and will help us face the crises of our times.		
Envelopes	£ 54.72			
Loose Plate	£ 466.17	<b>IN MEMORIAM BOOK</b> Should you wish to see your loved one's name in the anniversary book, insertion details are below the cabinet.		
TOTAL	£1100.42			
Second Collection	-	<b>SSPP Parish Draw</b> Please consider joining. Cost - monthly £5, quarterly £15, yearly £60.  30/03/2025 £100 Edal Costello No 150 £200 Ann Hogan No 103		<b>READERS ROTA: PLEASE COLLECT A COPY OF THE NEW ROTA FROM THE TOP OF THE HYMN BOOKSHELVES</b>  <b>PLEASE PARK CONSIDERATELY IN THE CHURCH CAR PARK</b>  <b><u>PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE HYMN BOOKS IN THE LADY CHAPEL RETURN THEM TO THE SHELVES AT THE REAR OF THE CHURCH</u></b> THANK YOU
Friday Lunches	-			
Weds Coffee	£14.95			
Sunday Coffee	£83			
Repository	£68.75			
Donations Statue	£183.00			
Mass Stipends	£50			
Funeral Fees	-			
Hall Fees	£50			
Newsletters	£7.30			
<b>Debt £159,385.95</b>	<b>Paying £500 p/m</b>			

**REPOSITORY** There is a very good selection of Easter Cards and Cards for all Occasions available on the Repository Table

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

**RETIRING COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND AT ALL MASSES FOR CHURCH EASTER FLOWERS**

**PLEASE NOTE THERE ARE NO MASS INTENTION DATES AVAILABLE BEFORE THE 10<sup>th</sup> JUNE**

Looking ahead over the coming few months. Eastertide will soon be upon us, and once again we will celebrate together as a Catholic Community. My sincere thanks to all who have contributed so much over the Season of Lent to the Spiritual Life of the Parish, and likewise to those who give so much of their time and talents during Holy Week and the Easter weekend. There is always a small lull of activity following Easter, but things will pick up again and there are few items I would like to remind you of and bring to your attention and to put into your diaries.

\* Polish Easter Bazaar this weekend, 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> April following all Saturday and Sunday Masses.

\* Easter Vigil 19<sup>th</sup> April we will welcome three new members into the Church as they are Baptised, Confirmed and make their First Holy Communion

\* An Ecumenical May Pilgrimage will take place on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> May starting from Our Lady of Lincoln and processing to the shrine of Our Lady at Lincoln Cathedral. The event will begin at 2pm. Both Bishop Patrick and also the Bishop of Lincoln have agreed to take part.

\* We will celebrate First Holy Communion on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June at 12.00 Noon – please do keep our children and their families in your prayers, as well as their Catechists.

\* Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June at 11.30am there will be an outdoor Mass in the grounds of SS Peter & Paul's Academy to celebrate our Patronal Feast Day to which parishioners are invited to attend – more details later.

\* Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June Bishop Patrick will be with us to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with upwards of 50 candidates from around the City. Please continue to keep them, their Sponsors and Catechists in your prayers.

\* The weekend of 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> June we will celebrate as a Parish our Patronal Feast Day – Masses at 6.00pm, 9.00am and 11.00am. Following the 11.00am Mass the celebrations will continue with our Annual International Meal, this year to be held in the Hall of SS Peter & Paul's Academy.

As well as all of the above, there will be other activities and opportunities for us to come together as a Parish Community – please do support them, this is your parish. Canon Geoffrey

**There is a wide selection of religious artefacts and books available in the Narthex and on the Repository Table. All free to take away, but if you would like to make a donation in the box provided towards church funds, we would be most grateful. Thank you.**

**Planned Giving Envelopes:** The new offertory envelopes begin this weekend; the boxes are at the back of the church on the hymn book stands. Please collect your box. If you do not use envelopes but would like to, please add your details to the list and please complete one of the gift aid forms which you will find with the list. Further details of eligibility are on the form. For every £1 you give we can claim an additional 25p from the government. Please do consider the gift aid scheme. Thank you.

**Statue of the Sacred Heart:** The approximate costs for repairs, refurbishment 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. Donations to date £1243.00.

The **Jubilee Pilgrimage to Walsingham** with Bishop Patrick takes place on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June, gathering at the Anglican Shrine with a procession to Catholic Shrine starting at 1pm. Mass will be celebrated at 4pm followed by departures. More information about events for young people to come soon.

**Nottingham Diocesan Jubilee Lourdes Pilgrimage 14<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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](mailto:charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk) or visit [www.tangney-tours.com/tours-and-pilgrimages/diocese-nottingham-ya/](http://www.tangney-tours.com/tours-and-pilgrimages/diocese-nottingham-ya/)

**Warm Spaces** 1.30-3.30pm in the Parish Centre on a Wednesday afternoon. We will be closed on the 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> April for the Easter Holidays. See you all on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April!

**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.

**Jubilee Year:** This Jubilee Year as a Deanery we will be celebrating with a **Station Mass** at Our Lady of Lincoln on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> 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.

**St Peter & St Paul's Prayer Group:** 8<sup>th</sup> April Prayer is cancelled as the Station Mass with the Bishop is taking place at Our Lady's on the same evening.

**A late Lent Walk from Bardney Abbey site to Lincoln Cathedral:** Stuart Collingham proposes to do this Pilgrimage Walk on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April praying for the many Christians subjected to hostility and violence throughout the World, particularly at this time for the Catholic Community of Holy Family Church Gaza and their Priest Father Gabriel. It involves a short walk from Bardney to the Abbey site and back, the rest of the journey being along the River Witham walkway into Lincoln. If anyone would like to join the walk next Wednesday please contact Stuart on 07715 048039. The idea is to take a bus from Lincoln Bus Station to Bardney at 8.45am and walk from there. If enough people come along there could be a lunch stop at the pub in Washingborough and if not too tired, we could say the Rosary at the Cathedral.

Next Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> April, **Sidney McFarlane** will celebrate his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. Sidney extends a wish to the parish community to offer prayerful support as he prepares to celebrate his special day, he will be most grateful to you all.

**Collection: Good Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April – Holy Places of Palestine**

**African Mass at St Hugh's - 3pm Easter Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> April. All welcome.**

**Easter Offerings – All Easter Offering, like the Christmas Offering go to the Parish, if wish to make a personal offering to Canon Geoffrey for Easter, please place it in an envelope marked for Canon Geoffrey – Thank you.**

### Holy Week Masses, Liturgies and Confessions

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> April

Confessions 11.00am Mass for Palm Sunday 6.00pm

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April Palm Sunday - Masses at 9.00am and 11.00am

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April Mass 12.00 Noon

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2.00pm – Mass HMP Morton Hall and Mass at SSPP at 7.00pm

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April Chrim Mass Cathedral Church of St Barnabas Nottingham – 11.30am

Confessions SSPP 6.00pm

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April – Maundy Thursday

The Mass of The Lord's Supper – 7.00pm

Watching at The Altar of Repose until 10.00pm

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April – Good Friday

Confessions – 11.00am

Passion of The Lord – 3.00pm

Stations of The Cross – 6.30pm

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> April – Holy Saturday

Confessions – 11.00am The Easter Vigil – 8.00pm

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Sunday Masses at 9am and 11am

**The important vote for all MPs on the assisted suicide legislation, known as the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill, is likely to take place on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April. The charity Right to Life UK has a simple online mechanism to allow people to contact their Member of Parliament and it only takes a few moments to submit a message to ask an MP to stop assisted suicide being rushed into law. It can be accessed at <https://righttolife.org.uk/asvote> Right to Life is also distributing postcards to parishes for the lay faithful to send to their MPs on this subject. A range of further resources on opposing assisted suicide is available at [www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide/](http://www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide/)**

### 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*