

The Catholic Church of St Peter & St Paul Lincoln

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Sixth Week of Lent Holy Week Psalter Week 2	INTENTIONS / LITURGIES / OTHER
Saturday 12th April 5.15pm 6pm	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD Confessions Denis White RIP
Sunday 13th April 9am 11am	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD Patsy Dillion RIP People of the Parish
Monday 14th April NOTE CHANGE 12 Noon	Monday of Holy Week Joyce Doran RIP (1 st Anniversary 29.3.2025)
Tuesday 15th April 2pm HMP Morton Hall 7pm	Tuesday of Holy Week Staff, Inmates and their Families Ken Rooney RIP (19 th Anniversary)
Wednesday 16th April NOTE CHANGE 11.30 Chrism Mass at St Barnabas Cathedral 6pm	Wednesday of Holy Week Mary Jane Briggs RIP (7 th Anniversary) Confessions
Thursday 17th April NOTE CHANGE 7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper (followed by watching at the Altar of Repose / Night Prayers)	MAUNDY THURSDAY Mrs Susan Williams (my sister for her birthday)
Friday 18th April NOTE CHANGE 11am 3pm Passion of the Lord 6.30pm	FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD – GOOD FRIDAY Confessions - Lunch in the Parish Centre - First and Third Friday Stations of the Cross
Saturday 19th April NOTE CHANGE 11am 8pm	HOLY SATURDAY Confessions EASTER VIGIL Katie McCoy RIP and Mick McCoy RIP 7 th Anniversary (Easter Blessings, Loved and Missed Always)
Sunday 20th April 9am 11am 12.30pm	EASTER DAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD People of the Parish People of the Parish Baptism of Vivienne and Liliana Gucul

Readers	This	6pm – Y Buckingham	9am – B Bond	11am – J Lewis
	Next	8pm – TBA	9am – K Clarkson	11am – Young People
Weekend Coffee	This	9am and 11am – Easter Bazaar		
	Next	9am - 11am -		
Wednesday Coffee	This	Sue		
	Next	Linda		
Weekend Welcomers	This	6pm - Y Musson, T Buckley	9am – P & B Davis, M York, M Thompson	11am - D Rooney, T Silva, L Roberts
	Next	6pm - Y Musson, T Buckley	9am – J Briggs, M York, M Thompson	11am - D Rooney, T Silva, L Roberts

WEEKLY INCOME W/E 06/04/2025		POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL		PLEASE CONSIDER LEAVING YOUR PARISH A LEGACY IN YOUR WILL
Standing Orders	£ 579.53	For the use of the new technologies 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	£ 99.00	IN MEMORIAM BOOK Should you wish to see your loved one's name in the anniversary book, insertion details are below the cabinet.	SSPP Parish Draw Please consider joining. Cost - monthly £5, quarterly £15, yearly £60. 06/04/2025 £100 Mr P M Silva No 516	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> <u>THANK YOU</u>
Loose Plate	£ 516.46			
TOTAL	£1194.99			
Station Mass	£32.40			
Friday Lunches	£95			
Weds Coffee	£14.05			
Sunday Coffee	£310.30			
Repository	£41			
Donations Statue	£179.85			
Mass Stipends	£50			
Funeral Fees	-			
Hall Fees	-			
Newsletters	£5.20			
Debt £159,385.95	Paying £500 p/m			

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 a few items I would like to remind you of and bring to your attention and to put into your diaries.

*** Polish Easter Bazaar continues this weekend following all Masses.**

* Easter Vigil 19th 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 24th 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 the Bishop of Lincoln have agreed to take part.

* 8th June after 11am Mass there will be the Parish AGM in the Parish Centre

* We will celebrate First Holy Communion on Saturday 14th June at 12 Noon please do keep our children and their families in your prayers, as well as their Catechists.

* Friday 27th 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 28th 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 28th/29th 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 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

Sincere thanks to the Darren Munnally Memorial Fund for their generous donation of £750.00 to Parish Funds. This went towards us having a fully maintained and functioning Defibrillator and Catechetical Material for the Confirmation Programme.

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 £1422.85.**

Planned Giving Envelopes: The new offertory envelopes are 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.

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 donate something towards church funds, please place in the box provided, we will be most grateful. Thank you

Christian Persecution - Stations of the Cross: In Holy Week we recall the many ways Jesus was betrayed. To remember and pray for Christians around the world who live in fear of betrayal (with imprisonment or execution as a result) and to ponder how we ourselves betray Jesus, there will be Stations of the Cross (using prayer posters about persecution) on **Tuesday 15th April at 7.30pm** (following evening Mass). For a taste of the challenges persecuted Christians can face trying to gather and pray as a community, the stations will take place **in the Lady Chapel**, in quietness and relative darkness (please bring a torch/phone and reading glasses if needed). All welcome.

Warm Spaces 1.30-3.30pm in the Parish Centre on a Wednesday afternoon. We will be closed on the 16th and 23rd April for the Easter Holidays. See you next on Wednesday 30th 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.

Collection: Good Friday 18th April – Holy Places of Palestine

African Mass at St Hugh's – 3pm Easter Sunday, 20th April. All welcome.

GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS AND CIVIC SERVICE IN LINCOLN CITY CENTRE - NORTH from Bailgate Methodist Church 11.30am, SOUTH from the Salvation Army Citadel, High Street 11.35am, EAST from opposite St. Swithin's Church 11.45am, WEST from Friends' Meeting House (Quakers), Beaumont Fee 11.45am. The four arms of the walking cross meet the Civic Party and the Salvation Army band at the Stonebow and walk together to the war memorial in front of St Benedict's Church on the High Street. The half hour Service begins at approximately 12noon

Holy Week Masses, Liturgies and Confessions

Saturday 12th April - Mass for Palm Sunday 6.00pm

Sunday 13th April Palm Sunday - Masses at 9.00am and 11.00am

Monday 14th April - Mass 12.00 Noon

Tuesday 15th April - 2pm Mass HMP Morton Hall and Mass at SSPP 7pm

Wednesday 16th April - Chrism Mass Cathedral Church of St Barnabas, Nottingham 11.30am and Confessions SSPP 6.00pm

Thursday 17th April – Maundy Thursday

The Mass of The Lord's Supper 7.00pm

Watching at The Altar of Repose until 10.00pm

Friday 18th April – Good Friday Confessions 11.00am

Passion of The Lord 3.00pm and Stations of The Cross 6.30pm

Saturday 19th April – Holy Saturday

Confessions 11.00am and The Easter Vigil 8.00pm

Sunday 20th April – Easter Sunday Masses at 9am and 11am

EASTER OFFERINGS: All Easter Offerings go to the Parish. If you wish to make a personal offering to Canon Geoffrey for Easter, please place it in an envelope marked for Canon Geoffrey. Thank you.

St Peter & St Paul's Prayer Group: Next meeting Tuesday 22nd April 7.30-9pm in the Parish Centre. All are welcome.

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 25th 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 UK 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/

Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) Pro-life Chain: This is a silent roadside witness, designed to send the Pro-life message to passing motorists. The chains are at the same time each year across the country to commemorate the Abortion Act coming into force in April 1968 - a law which has cost the lives of over 10 million unborn children and resulted in countless women and men harmed by an abortion experience. **The Lincoln Branch will be holding a Pro-life Chain on 26th April at Tritton Road, Lincoln 11am-1pm.** We invite all who wish to join us to meet at approximately 200 yards from the Co-op funeral services LN6 7QY heading towards the city centre. For information and advice with parking contact Julie Rogers 07465 440171 julierogers.uk@gmail.com

St George's Day Quiz Night: Saturday 26th April 6.30pm in St Hugh's Church Hall: Come along and have some fun at Perry and Cat's quiz night. The cost is £3 per person, which includes a hotdog and pudding. Soft drink and nibbles will also be provided, everyone welcome to bring their own snacks and alcoholic drink. See you there!

26/27 April Divine Mercy Retreat – Angel of Mercy: Timetable Saturday: Polish Mass / Conference 1 11am-1pm, Break, Conference 2 1.30-2.30pm, Break, Chaplet 3-5pm. Timetable Sunday: Polish Mass 1.30-2.30pm, Break, 3-4pm Chaplet, Break, 5-6pm Conference 3.

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