The Catholic Church of St Peter & St Paul Lincoln

999: If you need to call the Emergency Services to attend the Church or Parish Centre, ***please use what3words – VOTE FUNNY CRIED***
Evacuation: Should we need to evacuate the buildings, please assemble in front of 2a by the garage and fencing and not in the car park in front of the church doors or by the gates. Please keep the front of the car park clear for emergency service vehicles to access the site. Thank you.

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

First Week of Advent - Psalter Week 1	**INTENTIONS / LITURGIES / OTHER**
Saturday 28th November 5.15pm 6pm	**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT** Confession Joan K Hegarty RIP
Sunday 29th November 9am 11am	**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT** The Vaughan Family RIP People of the Parish
Monday 30th November No Mass	**FEAST OF SAINT ANDREW** -
Tuesday 1st December 7pm	**Advent Feria** Sr Margaret Service LCM RIP
Wednesday 2nd December Exposition 9-9.20am followed by Mass at 9.30am 5pm Choir Rehearsal	**Advent Feria** Sisters of Providence and Friends -
Thursday 3rd December Exposition 9-9.20am followed by Mass at 9.30am 11am Mass at HMP Morton Hall 7-8.30pm Deanery Choir Rehearsal	**Saint Francis Xavier, priest (memorial)** **Day of Special Prayer for Migrants and Refugees** Anthony and Mary Foulds RIP Staff, Inmates and their families -
Friday 4th December 11am 12 Noon	**Advent Feria** Exposition and Confession Hector and Edith Feeney RIP Lunch in the Parish Centre 1st and 3rd Friday
Saturday 5th December 11am 11.30am 5.15pm 6pm	**Advent Feria** Confession Baptism of Finn Hefford **SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT** Confession Adam Henry and Emma Dale RIP
Sunday 6th December 9am 11am	**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT** Joan K Hegarty RIP People of the Parish

Readers	This	6pm – J Hughes	9am – D Easton	11am – G Hughes
	Next	6pm – L Wright	9am – T Rowlett	11am – S Mitchell
Weekend Coffee	This	No coffee morning due to the Christmas Fayre		
	Next	9am – Paul and Linda – Cystic Fibrosis	11am – (Rycerze) Knights of St Michael Angel	
Wednesday Coffee	This	Cecilia, Maureen and Penny		
	Next	Heidi and Peggy		
Weekend Welcomers	This	6pm - Y Musson, T Buckley	9am – Young People, M York, M Thompson	11am – L Roberts, S Davis
	Next	6pm - Y Musson, T Buckley	9am – TBA, M York, M Thompson	11am – L Roberts, S Davis

WEEKLY INCOME W/E 22/11/2026	
Standing Orders	£ 579.53
Envelopes	£ 96.00
Loose Plate	£ 534.91
TOTAL	£1210.44
Second Collection	-
Friday Lunches	-
Weds Coffee	£13.50
Sunday Coffee	-
Donations	-
Repository	£32
Mass Stipends	£30
Funeral Fees	-
Hall Fees	-
Newsletters	£8.25
Debt £178,889.10	**Paying £500 pm**

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER For the proper use of wealth
Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.
DECEMBER: For single-parent families Let us pray for families experiencing the absence of a mother or father, that they may find support and accompaniment in the Church, and help and strength in the Faith during difficult times.

PLEASE CONSIDER LEAVING YOUR PARISH A LEGACY IN YOUR WILL
THANK YOU

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

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.

Weekly Draw
22/11/2026
£100 Mrs Brazil No 415

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

Speak to God before Mass.
Listen to God during Mass.
Speak to each other after Mass.

SSPP Christmas Fayre after both Sunday Masses
Raffle tickets are still available in the Parish Centre, please buy a book and have a look around the Fayre. All proceeds go to the Parish.

The Parish Christmas Card is available to view on the CTS Table. Please add details to the order sheet, payment will be due on collection of the cards. 6 for £10. ALL PROCEEDS GO TO PARISH FUNDS.

Christmas and New Year Masses & Confessions 2026
Monday 21st December
Mass - 12.00 Noon & Confessions – 6.30pm
Tuesday 22nd December - Mass - 7.00pm
Wednesday 23rd December
Mass – 9.30am & Confessions – 6.30pm
Thursday 24th December – Christmas Eve
Confessions – 11.00am
5.30pm - Carols followed by Vigil Mass – 6.00pm
9.30pm – Carols & Readings followed by
10.00pm Midnight Mass for Christmas
Friday 25th December – Christmas Day - Mass – 10.00am
Saturday 26th December – Feast of The Holy Family
Confessions – 11.00am & Mass 6.00pm
Sunday 27th December – Feast of The Holy Family
Masses – 9.00am & 11.00am
Friday 1st January 2027 – Solemnity of Mary Mother of God
Mass – 12.00 Noon with the institution of Altar Servers and Presentation of Medals
Note no Mass on 28th December. Mass on 29th December at 7.00pm, 30th December at 9.30am and 31st December at 9.30am

Thank you for your ongoing support of **SSPP's Foodbank**. We are currently running low on stock and are approaching a busy season. Please see the updated list of most needed items in the Lady Chapel, family friendly cereal, long-life milk, biscuits, jams and spreads, instant mash, tinned vegetables, and tinned meals (e.g. curry, chilli).

Parish Centre Kitchen Refurbishment - Note to all users: The Parish Centre will be closed to everyone for the whole of January. There will be no daytime, evening or weekend events held in the building during January. The Parish Centre will reopen for use on the 1st February when usual bookings resume.

Monday 30th November 7pm - Joint Schools' Advent Service at St Hugh's Catholic Church: Parishioners are warmly invited to join our 3 Catholic schools in this special service of readings, drama and carols, as we begin our Advent preparations.

Coffee morning on Sunday 6th December after 9am Mass is raising money for Cystic Fibrosis, any donations of cakes or raffle prizes would be gratefully received. Many thanks, Paul and Linda

Christmas Quiz with Street Food Style Lunch Sunday 6th December at 12.00 Noon; further details on posters in Church.

From the Paschal Candle to Your Home: The Paschal candle, which has accompanied prayer and liturgy in our church throughout the year, has been melted down and transformed into handcrafted wax figurines, tray arrangements, relief plaques, and flowers in a variety of colours. They can now find a special place in your home as a meaningful keepsake, a symbolic accent, a symbolic accent, a thoughtful Christmas present, or a lovely little addition to a gift for loved ones. Every purchase is also a direct way to support our church: all proceeds from the sale will go towards purchasing new candles. The figurines will be available to purchase in December after Sunday Masses.

Children's Rosary: Sunday 6th December 3pm in St Hugh's Church. Meets the first Sunday of each month. Join us in praying the rosary, with a big, colourful, interactive rosary and reflections on each mystery. Children of any age and their families are welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult family member.

Age UK Annual Christmas Concert – 7.00pm Wednesday 9th December, please see posters for further details and tickets.

Lincoln Choral Society's Christmas Concert – 6pm, Sunday 13th December – entry £5. Please see poster for further details.

First Holy Communion 2027: Application Forms are in the Narthex. The sessions will start last week in February, with the welcome meeting being on Tuesday 23rd February at 5.45pm in the Parish Centre. Please return the application form to Canon Geoffrey by 12th February.

Altar Servers meeting Sunday 6th December at 1pm. This is for the Christmas Services

- Servers who want to join the Guild of St Stephen and receive their medal
- To plan the future practices for the year ahead

We need at least one parent from all servers (under 18 YOA) to attend along with their child, this is an important meeting, and we need all servers and parents to attend. Estimated meeting time an hour and a half.

Confirmation: Bishop Patrick will celebrate the Sacrament at Our Lady of Lincoln on 9th July at 7pm. Please email ourladys@catholiclincoln.uk should you wish to attend their course and be confirmed next year. Applications MUST BE HANDED IN by 13th December. Application forms are available from the top of the hymn book bookshelves.

28/29 November - Seasonal Gifts/Toys collection for Witham Academy and Fosse Way Academy schools. Please do not wrap your gift in paper. Each gift will need to be checked to be appropriate for each child.
5/6 December - SSPP Academy Foodbank - Donations of food for those in need of a Christmas Hamper and help through the winter months.
12/13 December - Retiring Collection after all Masses for our Church Christmas Flowers.

Join Young Adults across the Diocese to share in prayer, community, and a deeper understanding of Advent with the Young Adult Advent Sycamore Course. Meeting at 7.45pm, online, on the four Mondays of Advent, for details charles.archer@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Afternoon Quiz and Raffle for the Air Ambulance: ... á la 'I'm a celebrity get me out of here!', on Friday December 4th, following midday Mass, join us in the Parish Centre to have fun and support the Air Ambulance. Nibbles provided. Donations on the day. All welcome.

Second Collection for Poor & Needy Parishes to be taken at all Masses over the weekend of 5th and 6th December.

SSPP Academy Christmas Production: We are hosting our annual Christmas production and would like to invite parishioners to join us for this event, which takes place on Monday 7th December at SSPP church. The production visits the important themes of Christmas, exploring faith traditions, using a rich tapestry of music. There is no cost for entry, but we will be taking donations towards our Lourdes appeal. We do need to know numbers so if you would like to attend, then please email the school on sspp@sspp.lincs.sch.uk

The Outreach Team of St Peter and St Paul's Academy wish to invite you to a festive community event in the SSPP Parish Centre on Friday 11th December after midday Mass. Please join us for intergenerational conversation, drinks and festive snacks, a 'just for fun' quiz and more. Entry is free and all are welcome! Please see the poster in the Lady Chapel for more details and to sign up.

Dickens' Christmas Carol: A dramatized reading that brings this classic Christmas tale of redemption to life. You are all welcome to join Ebenezer Scrooge's journey at Our Lady's Parish Centre on Wednesday 9th December at 7pm, and at St Hugh's Church Hall on Friday 11th December at 7pm and Saturday 12 December at 2.30pm. The performance is free but there will be a retiring collection for the SSPP Foodbank. For further information contact Mike Holmes on mikeholmes279@gmail.com

Coffee morning for ARCH: In honour of Our Lady of Guadalupe (patroness of the unborn) following the 9am Mass on Sunday 13th December, a coffee morning for the Abortion Recovery & Care Helpline, a charitable service to help women and men heal from the effects of abortion will be held. Any support, by way of your presence, cakes and raffle prizes would be greatly appreciated. Thank you, Julie & Jo

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.