



The Holy Family

COMMUNITIES OF
Sacred Heart & St Margaret Mary,
Our Lady of Good Counsel & St Joseph's



Saturday 3rd	6.30pm Vigil Mass	Sacred Heart	RIP Ferdinando Remedios. GH Celia Remedios & Fam. GH Wed Anniv. Luis & Shamiyana Noronha. GH B'Day Altia Fernandes
Sunday 4th 2nd Sunday after Christmas (Live-streamed)	9am Mass 10:15am Mass 11.30am Mass	St Joseph's Our Lady's Sacred Heart	RIP Gillian Anne Cox, her late sister & members of the Cox & Thuillier Families. GH Johnson, Pearl, Kaitlyn & Kristalyn Sandes, Danny Nunes & Fam (25th Wed Anniv.). MM Lucy Lobo & Ivette Middlecott. RIP Olga & Severino Pereira, Joana & Joao Rosario, Olga & Luis Machado. GH Cayden Rosario. RIP James Mannix, Celda Miranda. GH Celine Fernandes.

A Happy New Year to all of our parishioners.
We pray for you all, and for our newly merged Parish,
that we will all receive God's blessings throughout 2026.

Sanctuary Lamps:

OLGC Family & Friends of Tom.



Monday 5th Vigil Mass Epiphany	10am Mass 6.30pm Feast Mass	SMM Our Lady's	RIP Dec'd of SMM Community. The People of the Parish.
Tuesday 6th Epiphany of the Lord	11.30am Feast Mass 6.30pm Feast Mass	St Joseph's Sacred Heart	GH Danny Nunes & Family. Thanksgiving Lincio & Niticie.
Holy Day of Obligation			
Wednesday 7th	NO MASS TODAY		
Thursday 8th	NO MASS TODAY		
Friday 9th Friday after Epiphany	9am Holy Hour 10am Service 5.45pm Rosary 6pm Mass	Our Lady's Sacred Heart	The People of the Parish. The People of the Parish.



Prayer & Events in our Parishes

Jesus Youth Mondays 6.30pm in SH Parish hall.

Good Shepherd Prayer Group

Tuesdays 6-7.30pm in the Sacred Heart Club. Next Meeting 13th January. All welcome.

Retreat Day - Saturday 17th January
11am to 3.30pm at Our Lady's Church.

Monthly Rosary Rally 1.30pm on 1st Sunday of the month. THIS Sunday, 4th January outside Sports Direct in the City Centre.

Journeying with the Scriptures in a Time of Grief through Lectio Divina

Tuesday 20th January **at 10.15am** led by Sarah in St Joseph's Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Followed by Mass at 11.30 and then lunch at The Olive Branch.

St Joseph's Blessed Sacrament Chapel
Open daily 9am to 4pm.

Jesus Youth Teens Every Thursday (in term time) from 6pm to 7pm in St Joseph's Church Hall.

Saturday 10th	6:30pm Vigil Mass	Sacred Heart	RIP Carmelo Noronha, Francisco Remedios.
Sunday 11th The Baptism of The Lord (Live-streamed)	9am Mass 10.15am Mass 11.30am Mass	St Joseph's Our Lady's Sacred Heart	RIP Nicolau & Nascimento Rodrigues, Mario & Anthony Rodrigues & Yvonne Steele Rodrigues. RIP Jovita Lopes. Int. Rochford family. GH Siddharth & Melvina RIP Julia Mannix. GH Dolrich & Altia Machado. GH/B'day Moses Noronha.

The Holy Family Churches: St Joseph's, 12 Goodwood Road, Leicester LE5 6SG

Our Lady of Good Counsel, 15, Peebles Way, Rushey Mead LE4 7ZB

Sacred Heart, 25, Mere Road, Leicester LE5 3HS

Parish Priest: Fr David Cain **Assistant Priest:** Fr Vitalis Akandu **Parish Deacon:** Rev Séamus O'Looskan

Retired Priest in the Parish: Fr John Tavares **Safeguarding Coordinator:** Mrs Mary Hirst

Safeguarding Reps: SH Martina Guedes 07513 725549 **OLGC** Skeeter DaCosta 07513 725402 **SJ** Julie Spencer 07513 725514.

Parish Office Manager & holyfamilyleicester@dioceseofnottingham.uk

Contact: Anne Cartwright or 0116 251 1437

Website: www.holyfamily-leicester.rcdon.uk **Facebook, YouTube & Instagram:** sacredheartparishleicester

Live-stream from SH 11.30am on Facebook & YouTube & other services as announced.

St Margaret Mary Community Mass

at St Paul's Polish Church, Wakerley Rd, LE5 4WE

Lectionary Cycle: A2



Sacramental Preparation

Our Sacramental Preparation continues this month with RCIA on 11th & 25th January, Confirmation on 18th January and First Holy Communion on 25th January. Please keep our RCIA, Confirmation and First Holy Communion candidates in your prayers.



A huge thank you from our Parish clergy for your generous Christmas Offerings.

Important News! On 28th December our three parishes became one and we are now officially The Holy Family Parish Leicester with each of our churches keeping their individual names but now known as worshipping communities rather than parishes.

Parish Suggestion Boxes



We have suggestion boxes at the back of all of our churches. If you have ideas to help our Parish Communities to grow, please place them into the box. They will be collected by members of our Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) and taken to their next meeting for consideration. Your suggestions can be anonymous or named. We may not be able to take on board every suggestion but please be assured that your voices will be listened to.

Please keep your posts positive and respectful. Thank you!

Sponsor a Sanctuary Lamp

Our Sanctuary Lamps burn constantly for a week in our churches. For a £20 donation, the sanctuary lamp will burn for a week for your intention.

Blessed Sacrament & St Peter's Parish Pilgrimage to Rome 15 to 20 February, 2026:

A place on this pilgrimage has become available due to a cancellation. The approximate cost is £265 (bed, breakfast & travel to London City Airport). Flights, travel insurance, entrance fees & travel in Rome and to Assisi are extra. If interested, please contact Angela

St Joseph's Church - External Renovation Thank you to the kind sponsors of the extensive woodwork repairs and painting at the front of St Joseph's Church which is hugely appreciated. You might also notice that the previously headless stone apostle has been renovated too, which is terrific! Thank you to the workers on this project who have produced wonders. It was getting into a really poor state so it was essential that we addressed this. If you see something in any of our churches that looks in a poor state and you'd like to sponsor the repair or renovation - please do contact Fr David.

The Great Awakening Convention run by the AFCM, Anointing Fire Catholic Ministries. 24th January 2026 at Bethel Convention Centre, West Bromwich B70 7JW. From 9am to 4.30pm. Holy Mass, confessions, praise and worship, adoration, talks, spiritual sharing and children's sessions. All are warmly invited to attend. Bus available from Holy Cross Church. Please contact Arun on 07392928576 for more information.

Living Faith Prayer Books

January to March available in all churches, £1 each.

The Olive Branch Café

Reopens this Monday. Open from 9am to 3 pm Monday to Friday and 9am to 12 noon on Saturdays.

Choral Evensong Choir of Leicester Cathedral

Wesley Hall Methodist Church Hartington Road, Leicester LE2 0GN Sunday 11th January at 4pm. All welcome! Refreshments available after the performance.

Leave a Legacy to the Church

Why not leave a legacy to the church in your will. Legacies can support the church to continue its mission into the future. All gifts of any size can make a massive difference. If you have any questions, contact the Parish Office.

Upcoming Second Collections

11th January Sick & Retired Priests
31st Jan/ 2nd Feb
Missionaries of Africa Appeal.
Donations can be made by card machine.

OLGC Collection 21st December		SH Collection 20th/21st December		SJ Collections 20th December	
Loose & Envelopes	£319.95	Loose & Envelopes	£279.70	Loose & Envelopes	£391.00
Standing Orders	£118.31	Standing Orders	£476.85	Standing Orders	£444.23
Contactless	<u>£45.00</u>	Contactless	<u>£20.00</u>	Contactless	<u>£35.00</u>
Total	<u>£483.26</u>	Total	<u>£776.55</u>	Total	<u>£870.23</u>



Please make the most of the card machines in all of our churches to give your weekly donation.

With Gift Aid, a £10 donation gives the church £12.50. A £20 donation gives £25!

Parish Bank Account Details: **SH:** Sacred Heart Leicester RCP Account number: 00949284 Sort Code: 30-15-97 **OLGC:** Our Lady of Good Counsel Leicester RCP Account number: 51819560 Sort Code: 30-94-97. **SJ:** St Joseph's Leicester RCP Account number: 51763560 Sort Code: 30-94-97. **Please put a reference detailing the nature of your payment when paying into our Parish accounts.**



Nottingham Roman Catholic Diocesan Trustees – Company Number 7151646 Charity Number 1134449
Registered Office: St Hugh's House, 1 Castle Quay, Castle Boulevard, Nottingham, NG7 1FW.