



The Holy Family Parish

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



Saturday 21st	6.30pm Vigil Mass	Sacred Heart	RIP Francisco Nunes, Deceased members of the Fernandes Families, Lina Brito. GH B'day & Wed Anniv of Sebrina & Raymond.
Sunday 22nd First Sunday of Lent	9am Mass 9.30am Stations 10:15am Mass 11.30am Mass	St Joseph's Our Lady's Our Lady's Sacred Heart	RIP Maria Rosario Cardinale, Theodolina Fernandes, Thomas Fernandes, Maureen Crewe. GH Harinder Sahota. B'Day Danny McCarthy, Peter Joel, Paula Taylor. 1st Anniv. Milagros.L.Canapi. RIP Patricia Betty Maylan, Rufino P.Canapi, Francisco Xavier Cardozo, Candida P.Canapi, Roque Canapi, Bonifacio & Jonita Rebello, Adrian & Julieta Lopes, Carolina & Crispiniano Da Costa, Ludovina & Savio Machado. GH Filipa Barreto, Roland Miranda, Jacinta & Jude Pais, Jamaica & Fausto Machado, Sherwin Noronha. B'Day Dianne Coutinho. RIP Alex & Nelson Fernandes, Antonio Fernandes, Filipina Castanha & Arlangela Castanha. Thanksgiving Pat Gardner & Fam.

Monday 23rd Lenten Feria	9.45 am Stations 10am Service	SMM	Service of Word & Communion
Tuesday 24th Lenten Feria	9am Holy Hour 10am Mass 11am Stations 11.30am Mass	(Parish Int.) Sacred Heart St Joseph's St Joseph's	For the work of CAFOD. GH Eliza Fernandes. RIP Pat Brennan.
Wednesday 25th Lenten Feria	10.30am Funeral Mass (10am Coffin into church.)	Sacred Heart	Melvyn D'Sa RIP.
Thursday 26th Lenten Feria	10am Club Mass 10am Mass 2pm Funeral Mass	Sacred Heart St Patrick's Sch St Joseph's	RIP Thelma Fernandes & FX Fernandes, Jacinto R S Pereira. GH Michelle Cooper. (Harrison Road LE4 6QN) Rita Muddimer RIP.
Friday 27th Lenten Feria. 1st Friday	9am Holy Hour 10am Mass 5.30pm Stations 6pm Mass	(Parish Int.) Our Lady's Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	For the work of CAFOD. The People of the Parish. All Souls in Purgatory.



Sanctuary Lamps: **OL:** Private Intention.
SH: Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart.

Upcoming Funerals Please pray for all recently deceased and their families.
Melvyn D'Sa Funeral Mass 10.30am 25th February at Sacred Heart. Coffin in church 10am.
Marguerite (Rita) Muddimer Funeral at St Joseph's Thursday 26th February at 2pm.
Maureen Crewe Funeral at St Joseph's TBC.
Mary Brewin Funeral at Sacred Heart 3rd March at 2pm. *Eternal rest grant unto them oh Lord, may they rest in peace. Amen.*



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. All welcome.

Monthly Rosary Rally 1.30pm on 1st Sunday of the month. Next meeting Sunday, 1st March outside Sports Direct in the City Centre.



Journeying with the Scriptures in a Time of Grief through Lectio Divina Tuesday 24th Feb 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.

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

Saturday 28th	6:30pm Vigil Mass	Sacred Heart	GH/B'Day Fatima Nunes Brito.
Sunday 1st Second Sunday of Lent	9am Mass 9.30am Stations 10.15am Mass 11.30am Mass	St Joseph's Our Lady's Our Lady's Sacred Heart	RIP Maureen Crewe, Gillian Anne Cox, her late sister & members of the Cox & Thuillier Families. RIP Joana & Joao Do Roasario, Luis & Olga Machado. MM Goncalo Pereira. RIP Bridie Cantillon, Conor Kavanagh, RIP Bonifacio & Joanita Rebello. GH Alex Dias. B'Day Jonathan 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

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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





As we enter the season of Lent, we are called to pray, to fast and to give. You will see these themes reflected throughout our newsletter.

Jesus Youth Awakening, Prayer and Adoration takes place this Lent at Sacred Heart on the following dates:
 Saturday 21st February 9am to 6pm, Saturday 21st March 9am to 6pm and Sunday 29th March after 11.30am Mass until 6pm. Come along and join us in prayer.



Walk with Me Lent Prayer Books available in all churches, £1 each. Children's Lent Calendar also available. Free!



The Rite of Election at St Barnabas Cathedral
 This Sunday, seven of our candidates & catechumens preparing to be received into the Catholic Church at Easter will attend the Rite of Election at St Barnabas cathedral alongside Fr Vitalis, Deacon Seamus and their catechists, Hazel & Maria. This service marks the final stage of their preparation where they will express their sincere desire to be received into the church. They are; Cheryl, Neelam, Aloka, Madushi, Ramson, Billie & Chantal. Please keep them all in your prayers this Lent.



The Stations of the Cross
 OLGC - Sunday 9.30am
 SMM - Monday 9.45am
 SJ's - Tuesday 11am
 SH - Friday 5.30pm



CAFOD Lent Appeal - Family Fast Day
 collection This Lent, live out the Gospel call to love your neighbour. By fasting and giving what you save, you join in Christ's compassion and help another family put food on the table. Your donation can help families around the world grow food in difficult conditions - such as on flood-resistant floating gardens or using solar-powered water pumps in times of drought. Collect a CAFOD envelope to bless others with your support, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call 0303 303 3030. Text CAFODLENT to 70085 to donate £10. The Family Fast Day this year is Friday 27th February. Envelopes are available in all churches and can be handed in throughout Lent. Our CAFOD Collection is 28th Feb/1st March.



Please join us for our annual Big Lent Walk for CAFOD which takes place on Saturday 28th February. We will walk around Watermead Country Park together to raise as much money for CAFOD as we can. We meet in the car park at the bottom of Alderton Close opposite Sainsbury's at 9.30am. **Wellie boots ESSENTIAL due to recent weather conditions!** Our Fundraising page is now open so please donate what you can to support us.
<https://parishes.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/holy-family-leicesters-fundraising-page>
 You can also donate on our contactless machines. *This challenge is also available for individuals. Just check out the CAFOD website to find out how to sign up.*



Thanks from Fr Bertrand Last week, we were able to send £2243.50 to Fr Bertrand's School, The Good Shepherd School in Burkina Faso. This money had been raised in various ways, including our Holy Souls Collection in November and through the money that you have donated on our card machines. Fr Bertrand sends his sincere thanks to everyone in the Parish and asks us to pray for peace and love for our world. The Good Shepherd School continues to need our support and you can give at any time using the card machines in all churches.



Driver Wanted Little Footprints Nursery (based at St Joseph's Church) are looking for a reliable person, capable of driving their minibus, picking up and dropping off children for about 2 hours per day. Contact Eric on 07858507808 for more information.



Deanery Station Mass at Holy Cross
 Thursday 26th Feb
 7pm. Confessions and adoration from 6pm.
 Refreshments to follow.

St Patrick's Mass with Fr Lally & Party at Sacred Heart
 We will be celebrating the feast of St Patrick on Friday 20th March with 6pm Mass with Fr John Lally followed by a party in the Sacred Heart Guildhall with Irish music led by the Fitzgerald Family and plenty of good food and drink. The evening is also a fundraiser to support HCPT which offers pilgrimage holidays, to Lourdes in the south of France, for disabled and disadvantaged children from around the UK and further afield. Come along and enjoy the craic!



Save the Date!
 Prayerful 'Listening for Mission Day' for the whole Parish.
 30th May 2026
 10am-3pm at St Joseph's Church.
 Please join us.



Nottingham Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes
 Respond to Our Lady's invitation and join Bishop Patrick on the Nottingham Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2026. Departing East Midlands Airport on 13th July. Five days with people from across our Diocese. Those with additional needs will be catered for by our health and helpers teams. More details and bookings at: <https://www.tangney-tours.com/diocese-pilgrimages/diocese-nottingham/>

OLGC Collection 15th February	SH Collection 14th/15th February	SJ Collections 15th February	Please make the most of the card machines in all of our churches to give your weekly donation.
Loose & Envelopes £306.53	Loose & Envelopes £446.75	Loose & Envelopes £371.00	With Gift Aid, a £10 donation gives the church £12.50. A £20 donation gives £25!
Standing Orders £121.76	Standing Orders £469.31	Standing Orders £445.77	
Contactless £20.00	Contactless £35.00	Contactless £45.00	
<u>Total</u> £448.29	<u>Total</u> £951.06	<u>Total</u> £861.77	

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.**



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