



The Holy Family Parish

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



Saturday 7th	6.30pm Vigil Mass	Sacred Heart	RIP Casilda & Luiz Pereira, Francisco Brito. GH Clifford, Karen, Kaylin & Teo Fernandes, Teresa Manning.
Sunday 8th Third Sunday of Lent (Live-streamed)	9am Mass 9.30am 10:15am Mass 11.30am	St Joseph's Our Lady's Our Lady's Sacred Heart	RIP Fr John Daley, John Norwell, Nicolau Nascimento Rodrigues, Mario Anthony Rodrigues & Yvonne Steele Rodrigues. GH Ashna, Rivaldo & Natasha Remedios. Stations of the Cross. RIP Fr Marcel Fangoo, Aghostino Dourado, Joseph Esperenca & Milly D'Souza, Louise Fernandes, Catherine Lenihan (Co Limerick). Thanksgiving St Anthony & Our Lady of the Sea. GH Teresa Manning. B'day Peggy Stokes.

Tamil Mass this Sunday 8th March 11.30am at St Joseph's. All Welcome.

We welcome Norbert & Peter in Baptism at Sacred Heart this weekend.



Monday 9th Lenten Feria	9.45 am Stations 10am Mass	SMM	B'day Paula Braganza.
Tuesday 10th Lenten Feria	9am Holy Hour 10am Mass 11am Stations 11.30am Mass	(Parish Int.) Sacred Heart St Joseph's St Joseph's	For the Iranian People. B'day Clinton Moraes & Grace. RIP Fr John Daley, Sr Teresa Clare Aspinwall, Eileen Collier, R Jadavji.
Wednesday 11th Lenten Feria	10am Mass	Sacred Heart	RIP Edward Noronha. Int. Elle Pinel.
Thursday 12th Lenten Feria	10am Club Mass	Sacred Heart	For the People of the Parish.
Friday 13th 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 Iranian People. For the People of the Parish. For Peace in our World.

Upcoming Funerals Please pray for all recently deceased and their families.
Maureen Crewe Funeral at St Joseph's 17th 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 THIS Sunday, 1st March outside Sports Direct in the City Centre.

Journeying with the Scriptures in a Time of Grief through Lectio Divina Tuesday 31st March 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 5pm.

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



Saturday 14th	6:30pm Vigil Mass	Sacred Heart	
Sunday 15th Fourth Sunday of Lent (Live-streamed)	9am Mass 9.30am Our Lady's Stations of the Cross. 10.15am Mass 11.30am Mass	St Joseph's Our Lady's Sacred Heart	RIP Fr John Daley, Cher Gratland, Noreen Naan. GH Arlo Remedios. RIP Fr Marcel Fangoo. Private Int. RIP Julia Mannix. Thanksgiving Sacred Heart of Jesus & Mary. In Thanksgiving. GH Evangelina Jesus.

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



Please take this newsletter home with you.

Welcome to our new Parish Administrator We were blessed to have a number of excellent applications to join our Parish Team as a part-time administrator. The successful candidate was Elle Pinel who will join us from this week working Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings. Elle knows the Parish well as a regular of Sacred Heart and volunteer flower arranger for many years, but please do make her feel welcome. We'd like to thank those who have supported the work of the Parish office over the past year.



Gender & Faith The Diocesan Education Service is hosting a Day looking at **Gender and Faith: Accompanying Young People Well** on **Thursday 23rd April** at the Diocesan Centre, Mackworth DE22 4BD. Dr Julia Sadusky will lead the Day, between 11.30am and 2.00pm, which is open to all, especially those accompanying young people at the intersection of questions of embodiment and spirituality. The cost of the Day is £25, and bookings can be made by contacting gill.burns@nottingham-des.org.uk

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



Hosted by Caritas Leicester and Leicestershire : An initial discussion on synodality for anyone who is interested will take place **THIS Sunday 8 March** from 5pm to 6pm in the St Thomas More Parish Room next to the church. All welcome.

Our annual Big Lent Walk for CAFOD took place last weekend. Watermead was very wet and flooded and so despite our best efforts we didn't get to walk as far as we'd have liked. Our determination even had some walking through puddles barefoot. Surely that's worth sponsoring us! Check out more about the walk on our Parish website. Our sponsorship page is still open so please sponsor us at: <https://parishes.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/holy-family-leicesters-fundraising-page> or donate on our contactless machines. We have currently raised £1340.00.



Holy Family Cross Pilgrimage Sunday 22nd March

carrying the cross through the streets of our parish. Beginning at Our Lady's at 11.15 am and walking to Sacred Heart for lunch. Then walking on to St Joseph's. Stations of the Cross open for all at 3.30 pm, outside if weather permits. Please let Deacon Seamus know if you plan to walk on this pilgrimage by sending an email to: Seamus.Olooskan@dioceseofnottingham.uk



CAFOD Lent Appeal - Thank you for your donations to the CAFOD Family Fast Day collection. In our collections last week we raised over £1200 across all three churches with many other donations made by card machine. Please continue to give throughout Lent. By fasting and giving to CAFOD 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.



4Lent For our Children Saturday 14th March at St Joseph's 10.30am to 2pm

Lenten reflection and activities for children in Years 4 to Year 7. If you'd like your child to attend, please fill in the form at the back of the church and return it to the office.



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!



The St. Vincent De Paul Society (SVP) fundraising team are looking for volunteers. We meet once every three months to plan fundraising events for the SVP as well as the parish. You do not need to be a member of the SVP to join. If you are interested or want to know more, please send us an email at holyfamleicsvp@gmail.com or speak to Julia Shepherd, Samantha Pearce-Harrison or Joyce Pereira. We look forward to hearing from you.



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



Please look out for important information in next week's newsletter re standing orders.



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

OLGC Collection 1st March	SH Collection 28th Feb/1st March	SJ Collections 1st March
Loose & Envelopes £464.96	Loose & Envelopes £704.70	Loose & Envelopes £355.30
Standing Orders £121.76	Standing Orders £469.31	Standing Orders £445.77
Contactless <u>£35.00</u>	Contactless <u>£45.00</u>	Contactless £100.00
<u>Total</u> <u>£621.72</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>£1219.01</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>£901.07</u>

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



Parish Bank Account Details: Holy Family Leicester RCP Account number: 00949284 Sort Code: 30-15-97
Please put a reference detailing the nature of your payment when paying into our Parish account.

Please Gift Aid your donation if you can.
A £10 donation gives the church £12.50. A £20 donation gives £25!

