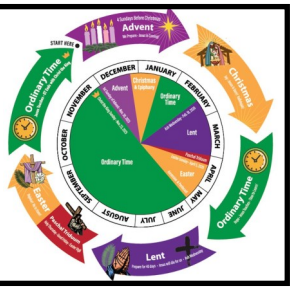
The Holy Family Parish

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



Saturday 14th	6.30pm Vigil Mass	Sacred Heart	**RIP** Phyllis Williams, William Power.
Sunday 15th ***Fourth Sunday of Lent Laetare Sunday*** (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, Cher Gratland, Noreen Naan, Maureen Burns, John Burns. **GH** Arlo Remedios. ***Stations of the Cross*** **RIP** Fr Marcel Fangoo, Sean Morton. Private Int. **RIP** Julia Mannix, Remedios Dsouza, Ancy Dourado, Maria & Andrew Lopes, Veronica & Pedro Fernandes. Thanksgiving Sacred Heart of Jesus & Mary, In Thanksgiving. **GH** Evangelina Jesus, Leena Dsouza, Custodio & Belinda Dias, Mario Dourado.

Sanctuary Lamps:
SH: *Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart.*

We welcome Eleora in Baptism at Our Lady's this weekend.

Monday 16th **Lenten Feria**	9.45 am Stations 10am Mass 12pm Mass 2pm Mass	SMM Leic Gen Hosp St Joseph's Sch	The People of the Parish. **B'day** Paddy. Mass at the General Hospital. *Armadale Drive LE5 1HF*
Tuesday 17th **St. Patrick** **NO MASS AT SJ TODAY.**	9am Holy Hour 10am Mass **10.30am Mass** 2pm Funeral	*(Parish Int.)* Sacred Heart **St Patrick's** St Joseph's	*Our School Communities.* Souls in Purgatory. **B'day** Sean Fernandez. *100 Beaumont Leys Lane LE4 2BD.* Maureen Crewe RIP.
Wed 18th ***Lenten Feria***	10am Mass	Sacred Heart	**RIP** Goncalo Pereira. **B'day** Anna.
Thursday 19th ***St. Joseph***	10am Club Mass	Sacred Heart	**RIP** Dec'd Members of Golden Hearts.
Friday 20th ***Lenten Feria.***	9am Holy Hour 10am Mass 5.30pm Stations 6pm St Patrick's Mass with Fr John	*(Parish Int.)* Our Lady's Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	*Our School Communities.* The People of the Parish. **RIP** Violeta & Francisco Brito, **GH** Justino Brito & Family

Saturday 21st	6:30pm Vigil	Sacred Heart	The People of the Parish.
Sunday 22nd ***Fifth Sunday of Lent*** (Live-streamed)	9am Mass 10.15am Mass 11.30am Mass	St Joseph's Our Lady's Sacred Heart	**RIP** Ron Parkin, Joao Nunes & Maria de Monte Nunes. **GH/B'Day** Kevin Noronha. **RIP** Roque Dias, Luciana Linda Vaz, Rosalina Sequeira, Felis Mendes, Vania Mendes. For all mothers. **GH** Odelia, Zoe, Ozzie DeSouza. **RIP** Alex & Nelson Fernandes, Raimundo, Teresa & Gracina Fernandes. **GH** Bethany Brito.

Upcoming Funerals Please pray for all recently deceased and their families.
William Francis Power Funeral in Aghamore, Co. Mayo 14th March.
Maureen Crewe Funeral at St Joseph's 17th March at 2pm.
Maria Bituin Funeral at St Joseph's 27th March at 9.30am.
Eternal rest grant unto them oh Lord, may they rest in peace. Amen.

PRAY

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 3rd May (No meeting in April) 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.

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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

St Margaret Mary Community Mass
at St Paul's Polish Church, Wakerley Rd, LE5 4WE

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

Lectionary Cycle: A2

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

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YouTube

Website: www.holyfamily-leicester.rcdon.uk **Facebook, YouTube** sacredheartparishleicester **& Instagram:** theholyfamilyleicester
Live-stream from SH 11.30am on Facebook & YouTube & other services as announced.

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**

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PRAY FAST GIVE

IMPORTANT INFO FOR THOSE WITH STANDING ORDERS

We have now begun to move all of our finances across to the Holy Family Leicester RCP bank account.
Our Lady's and St Joseph's parishioners, if you give your weekly/ monthly donation to the church by standing order, you need to change this from the beginning of April to the new bank account which is: **Holy Family Leicester RCP. Sort Code: 30 15 97. Account Number: 00949284**. You should be able to do this easily through your online banking service or by filling out a standing order form at your bank. Sacred Heart Parishioners do not need to change any bank account details.
We would ask parishioners from all churches who donate by standing order to take this opportunity to consider increasing what you give if you can and for those who give weekly to consider changing your standing order to a monthly payment - just multiply your weekly offering by 52 and divide the total amount by 12 to work out what to pay monthly. This would help the productivity of the office enormously as we will be processing 12 payments per year from you rather than 52! At the same time, if you are a tax payer, sign up for Gift Aid if you've not already done so.
Should you need any help with this process or have any questions, please telephone or come along to Sacred Heart Presbytery on Wednesday 18th March between 9am and 3.30pm and Anne will be able to help you.

GIVE

Sacred Heart HOLY WEEK AND EASTER READERS A list for volunteers to read is at the back of Church. Please volunteer only once to give everyone an opportunity.

The Emerald Centre would like to invite you, to join us on our annual pre St Patrick's Day celebration parade, which is being held THIS **Sunday 15th March 2026** with lots of flags, music, Irish dancing and fun!!!! You do not have to be Irish to be apart of the Parade everyone is welcome to join in.
The Parade starts on New Walk next to Holy Cross Church – LE1 6HW at 12noon prompt and walks through the streets of Leicester City Centre arriving at Jubilee square for more music and dancing. Following this we have an after party for families at the Nott's Club from 1.30pm - 5.30pm (Ticketed event Adults £7 - U16's Free)
Email us on - emeraldcentre@yahoo.co.uk or call/text us on 07733897561

IMPORTANT INFO FOR THOSE USING ENVELOPES Envelope holders from all three churches will receive a new box of envelopes to be used from the weekend of Sunday 12th April. Our Lady's and St Joseph's parishioners please dispose of any remaining yellow/green envelopes. Your envelope number will be different to your current number. Envelopes are available to collect now.

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!

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

Parish Repository

Cards available for Easter, First Holy Communion, Confirmation and Baptism are available to buy in all churches. We also have Mass cards available. All much cheaper than in the shops! You can pay using the card machines or in cash.

Amendment to Abortion Laws

The House of Lords is currently debating an extreme amendment to the Crime and Policing Bill which allows women to self-induce their own abortions for any reason and at any gestation. Please act now to stop this proposal. Find out more and use SPUC's tool to write to the House of Lords by going to: https://spuc.org.uk/campaign/abortion-decriminalisation

Stations of the Cross

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

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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 8th March

Loose & Envelopes	£362.78
Standing Orders	£121.76
Contactless	£30.00
Total	£514.54

SH Collection 7th/8th March

Loose & Envelopes	£409.36
Standing Orders	£469.31
Contactless	£15.00
Total	£893.67

SJ Collections 8th March

Loose & Envelopes	£332.45
Standing Orders	£445.77
Contactless	£40.00
Total	£818.22

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

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

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.

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