



The Holy Family Parish

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



Saturday 28th	6.30pm Vigil Mass	Sacred Heart	RIP Alex & Nelson Fernandes, Casilda, Luiza, Francisca, Rumuldo & Zulema.
Sunday 29th Palm Sunday (Live-streamed)	9am Mass 9.30am Stations 10.15am Mass 11am Procession 11.30am Mass	St Joseph's Our Lady's Our Lady's SH Playground Sacred Heart	RIP Bridget Geraghty, Rosena (Rose) Schmidt. Int. Jadavji Family, World Peace. RIP Orlando DeSouza. GH S M Pereira. RIP Olga Rebello & Serverino Pereira, Jao & Maria de Monte Nunes. GH Mike Gratland. GH/B'day Cletus Mores.

Monday 30th Monday of Holy Week	9.45 am Stations 10am Mass	SMM	The People of the Parish.
Tuesday 31st Tuesday of Holy Week	9am Holy Hour 10am Mass 11am Stations 11.30am Mass	(Parish Int.) Sacred Heart St Joseph's St Joseph's	Christians throughout the world. RIP Rosie Colaco RIP Bridget Geraghty, Jose & Celda Miranda, Gustavo, Felisbina, Olven Fernandes, Delizia Noronha.
Wed 1st Wednesday of Holy Week	NO MASS TODAY Chrism Mass	Sacred Heart St Barnabas Cathedral	N Circus St, Nottingham NG1 5AE
Thursday 2nd Thursday of Holy Week	7pm Mass 7pm Mass 7pm Mass	St. Joseph's Our Lady's Sacred Heart	RIP Bridget Geraghty. The people of the Parish. GH Juvenal & Bernadine.
Friday 3rd Passion of the Lord—Good Friday.	3pm Liturgy 3pm Liturgy 3pm Liturgy	St. Joseph's Our Lady's Sacred Heart	

Upcoming Funerals Please pray for all recently deceased and their families.
Beverley Adcock Funeral at St Joseph's Date TBC.
Rosena (Rose) Schmidt Former parishioner of SJ's.
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 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 6pm.

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



Mass Intentions for Easter Masses will be shared in next weekend's newsletter.

Churches Together in Humberstone On Good Friday April 3rd 2026 we are holding a joint Tenebrae Service at St Mary's, Humberstone at 7:00pm and all are extremely welcome to attend.

The Olive Branch Café at St Joseph's is closed from Monday 30th March to Monday 6th April. Reopens on Tuesday 7th April.

St Joseph's Parishioners — Parking Please be considerate when parking. DO NOT park on the grass verges around the church car park, this churns up the grass and the council will then invoice the church for relaying the grass. This is why cones are placed there. There are side streets where you can park all around the church that are just a short walk away. Also, please do not block cars into the car park or block the access from the car park to the front area of the church. Thank you for thinking of others when you park.

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.

Easter Mass Times

Palm Sunday Mass - usual weekend Mass times with longer 11am procession at Sacred Heart.

Procession from garden at 9am at St Joseph's and from outside the church at Our Lady's at 10.15am.

Maundy Thursday Mass - 7.00pm at all churches

Maundy Thursday watching until: 11pm at Our Lady's, 10pm at St Joseph's and midnight at Sacred Heart then Jesus Youth Night Vigil until 6am on Good Friday morning.

Good Friday Solemn Liturgy - 3pm at all churches.

Confessions at all churches after Good Friday Solemn Liturgy.

Easter Vigil Mass - 7.00pm at all churches

Easter Sunday Mass - Usual Sunday Mass times all churches.

Altar Servers Practices at all churches

11am-12.30pm, Thurs 2nd April (For Holy Thurs & Good Fri).

11am-12.30pm, Sat 4th April (For Easter Vigil).



Jesus Youth Awakening, Prayer and Adoration at Sacred Heart THIS Sunday 29th March after 11.30am Mass until 6pm. Come and join us in prayer.

Sacred Heart needs volunteer readers for Easter Sunday morning. List at the back of Church.



The Catholic Union wants to make the Weekly Briefing available to every Catholic in England, Scotland and Wales. Sign up for free at:

https://catholicunion.org.uk/weekly-briefings/?mc_cid=f1b1eb6fd3&mc_eid=735bea09a7

SIMCHA
Lincoln's Klezmer Band

Kindertransport - the concert documentary
Great Meeting Unitarian Chapel
45 East Bond Street, Leicester LE1 4SX
Saturday 11 April 2026, 7.30pm
Tickets: Adults: £10 | Under 16s: £5

Book now: wegottickets.com/event/690813
Enquiries: 07944 907051

Holy Thursday Altars of Repose

Can you bring some greenery from your gardens or share or loan a potted plant for our Holy Thursday Altars of Repose?

Bring them along to our churches next weekend or on Holy Thursday and collect on Good Friday.



Volunteers for Washing of Feet

Please let our Stewards know if you would like to volunteer to have your foot washed at one of our Holy Thursday Masses. If you'd like to volunteer, please sit at the end of the centre aisles in the churches.



Thank you to all who attended our St Patrick's Night festivities and supported the HCPT. A wonderful night was had by all.



Parishioners of St Joseph's

Thank you so much for your generosity! Last weekend was a great success for the **Enabling Our Mission** campaign. I'm delighted to tell you that based on the cards filled out by parishioners at Mass, our parish stands to raise an additional **£30,000** on top of the £38,000 raised already. This puts our £95,000 target within reach. Those who completed a pledge card will receive a form soon. Please complete this and return it as soon as you can. We hope to have the majority of pledges within the next two weeks so that we can see exactly how much has been raised. There will be a further update soon. Thank you for your support. Please pray for the continued success of the campaign in our parish.

Our Lady's and St Joseph's Parishioners remember to change your Standing Orders.

We have now begun to move all of our finances across to the Holy Family Leicester RCP bank account. If you have a standing order please 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. Please take this opportunity to consider increasing what you give if you can. For those who give weekly please consider changing your standing order to a monthly payment, 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 the Parish office and Anne will be able to help you.



Easter Lilies at Sacred Heart This Easter, you can donate an Easter Lily in memory of a loved one. The cost of a lily is £3. Please write the name (in capital letters) of the deceased and put your donation in the basket by the statue of Our Lady at the front of the church. The names will be displayed at Easter.

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.

OLGC Collection 22nd March	SH Collection 21st/22nd March	SJ Collections 22nd March
Loose & Envelopes £378.34	Loose & Envelopes £579.27	Loose & Envelopes £438.20
Standing Orders £121.76	Standing Orders £469.31	Standing Orders £445.77
Contactless <u>£5.00</u>	Contactless <u>£5.00</u>	Contactless <u>£70.00</u>
Total <u>£505.10</u>	Total <u>£1053.58</u>	Total <u>£953.97</u>



Living Faith Books April May, June now available £1 per book.

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!



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