

Day	Date	Time	Place	Liturgical Calendar	Mass Intention
Saturday	22	4.00pm 6.00pm 6.00pm	Boston Horncastle Skegness	Vigil	
Sunday	23	8.30am 9.00am 10.00am 10.00am 11.00am	Boston Spilsby Boston Wood'l Spa Skegness	21 st Sunday	Parish
Monday	24	12.30pm	Boston	St Bartholomew	Paul Varghese RIP
Tuesday	25	9.30am 12.00pm	Boston Spilsby	Feria	
Wednesday	26	7.00am 9.30am	Boston Boston	Feria	
Thursday	27	9.30am 10.00am	Boston Wood'l Spa	St Monica	Teresa+Dick Smith
Friday	28	10.00am 6.00pm 7.00pm	Wood'l Spa Skegness Boston	St Augustine	
Saturday	29	10.00am 4.00pm 6.00pm 6.00pm	Wood'l Spa Boston Horncastle Skegness	St John Bapt. Vigil Vigil Vigil	Mr Jim Flynn
Sunday	30	8.30am 9.00am 10.00am 10.00am 11.00am	Boston Spilsby Wood'l Spa Boston Skegness	22 nd Sunday	Polish Mass: Sunday 12.30pm+7.30pm

Confessions: Boston Saturday 3.20pm-3.50pm Sunday 7.50am-8.20pm and 9.30am-5.00am
Before weekday masses and on request.

Woodhall Sat.10.30am. H/castle Sat. 5.30pm

Skegness

Adoration:Boston Tues 8.15; Fri 6.00pm
Skegness
Horncastle

Divine Mercy: Boston Wednesday 2.00pm



Catholic Community of the South Wolds and Coast

Our Lady and St Peter, Woodhall Spa (Vigil mass Horncastle)

St Mary's, Boston

From September:

Sacred Heart, Skegness and Our Lady and English Martyrs, Spilsby

CLERGY Parish Priest Fr Dominic O'Connor

Assistant Priests: Fr Julius Kukuru Fr John O'Donnell (Retired)

Deacons: Martyn Chambers and James Hunter. D.Witherick (Ret)

Polish Mission: Fr Stanislaw Kowalski Schr

GENERAL CONTACT INFORMATION

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Websites: temporarily see individual parishes

If you know of a parishioner who is an in-patient at the Pilgrim hospital, please contact Father at the Presbytery 01205 362056 or Deacon Martyn .

From the Parish Priest's Desk..... Fiat!

Dear All,

We are just two weeks away from when the mass changes come into effect and we start to work closely together as a community across the three parishes. A quick reminder of the mass times: (Vigils at Boston and Spilsby at 4.00pm; Sunday masses at Boston remain the same: 8.30am and 10.00am; Woodhall Spa @ 9.30am and Skegness @ 11.30am)

There are no plans to amalgamate the three parishes into one – so each will have their proper PPC/Finance Committees. But there will have to be some joint meetings between the three to ensure things are running smoothly.

It is good that Fr Julius has arrived and is settling in.

September will soon be upon us and the return of children/students to school, parish life starts to pick up once again. In particular the sacramental classes. This year I will await to see if it is necessary to run a Confirmation program depending upon numbers and ages.

Registration for our First Holy Communions is now starting and details are in this bulletin. The main class will be run at Boston but it will depend upon how many we have from the other parishes as to how they will be catered for, if they are unable to travel. This year there will be two classes running consecutively because we wish to keep the numbers slightly smaller.

However, there will be changes in that parents will be expected to be involved in the classes and become involved in the parish. Children will only be eligible to make their First Holy Communion once we consider both parents and children are aware of the beauty of the sacraments and their commitment. There is great joy in welcoming families back to church who may not have been practicing and this is mostly the case nowadays. But we want to ensure that in following the course they grow in the love of Christ and Mary and truly desire to continue their faith after their children have made their First Holy Communion.

There are a few main pillars that I have in mind to unite the community and to ensure that all have the chance to benefit from opportunities. I will mention them briefly:

SMALL PARISH COMMUNITIES

There needs to be alongside the parish, the domestic church as we see in the Acts of the Apostles. This will be most beneficial for community, mission and prayer. It will also greatly help the priests in knowing where the needs are.

ONE SPIRITUAL PROGRAM

Allowing for initiatives particular to the individual parishes, there will also be a common spiritual course, guidance etc offered to all supported by retreat days. It is important that everyone has access to simple teaching so that they can grow in holiness. This will be based on Pope St John Paul II's encyclical "Going into the New Millennium" and Bishop Patrick's themes of Encounter, Discipleship and Mission. In particular it will focus on conversion of the heart and the role of the Holy Spirit.

ROLE OF THE LAITY

This will be essential in this new community and is something very positive that has come out of the synodal path that has been followed in the past few years. The priest now has to concentrate on what only he can provide. The laity have to help both in the running of the parishes but also in spiritual formation.

MISSION IN LINCOLNSHIRE

There is a growing desire in the wider area to foster a movement towards mission not just in our local areas but in Lincolnshire as a whole. There is something special about this county – I believe for many years it has been quite tough soil to sow in but that reaping – by God's grace – will come. Particularly a group of lay people who would like to come together for this purpose.

ROLE OF OUR LADY

This is her time and we must commend everything to her and her spouse, the Holy Spirit.

St Marys Boston

CHILDREN'S CLOTHING BANK: The Women's Guild is operating a clothing bank, initially for clothes to fit under 11 year olds. If you don't have any children you may purchase new underwear and socks. Thanks for the kind donations of excellent quality already received. **If donations need collecting text: C.C.B to 07827274251**

Fundraising for Building Project (in addition to pledges for extra building work)

Money Raised so far £2589.25

Cash donations may be made via the collection box in the church and card donations may be made via the Dona Machine or the website. Thanks for all your help.

FINANCE Gift Aid: A UK government scheme allowing registered charities to claim an extra 25p for every £1 you donate, boosting your gift by 25% at no extra cost to you. You must be a UK taxpayer and give a signed declaration to the charity. If you have recently joined our parish or started to pay income tax on personal income, please consider completing a Gift Aid declaration. For further information and help, please see me Chaz Mayhew after Mass or contact me on mobile / text 07778840886 or email me at - giftaid.bt@dioceseofnottingham.uk

There are various ways to donate: Personal Gift Aid envelopes issued to you each year, you can place these into the offertory at Saturday or Sunday Mass, regular Standing Orders from your bank into the Parish bank account or the 'DONA' card machine at the entrance to the church. Our parish Gift Aid submission for the FIRST quarter of the income tax year (6th April 2026 to 30th June 2026) amounting to a total of £7,167:00 has now been submitted to HMRC. **WATCH THIS SPACE** to see the amount our parish receives from HMRC later this month!!

SECOND COLLECTIONS: 20th Sept. Home Mission Sunday; 18th October World Mission Sunday; 25th October Care Home India; 6th December Poor and Needy Parishes.

OF YOUR CHARITY PLEASE PRAY FOR

- Sick and housebound and for those who need your prayers, Sadie Wheate, Rosalyn, Mary, Fay Cowell, David Locking. Michael Campbell; Sally Wallington; ; Elizabeth Hunter; Sharon Peates, Margaret Fretwell.
- Special prayers for Sally Wallington.
- Penny Vine RIP
- Chinju Thomas (RIP) and please remember her family in your prayers. There is an appeal to help her husband and family: <https://gofund.me/6aad153f>

Sacred Heart Skegness and Spilsby

Sacred Heart, 22 Grosvenor Road, Skegness, PE25 2DB
Our Lady & English Martyrs Spilsby PE23 5EF skegnessrcparish.org

PLEASE PRAY FOR

THE SICK: - Teresa Proom, Angela & Jim Davis, Coral Collins, and for Monica Blythe's sister, Pat. Rosemary Whittle, Sandy Davidson and Tracy.

COAST AND WOLDS OPEN CHURCHES' FESTIVAL: This year this annual event will take place on Saturday, 5th and on Sunday, 6th September, between 2.00 and 4.30p.m. on each day at our church in Spilsby. Later on, there will be forms to ask for people to act as stewards, to welcome and to assist visitors.

GIFT AID: This is a major source of income to us, without which we would struggle to run both churches. It is free money; we get 25p from the government for every £1 that you give your offerings. This is essential to us, so, if you pay income tax through your work or through a pension, then please sign up for Gift Aid today; do not hesitate, we need this free money. Talk to Jacinta or e-mail her on 'jacintalewis21@aol.com' or talk to me. **FOOD BANKS:** in Spilsby and in Sacred Heart (via The Storehouse, Skegness), for those in need (tinned and other NON-PERISHABLE foods). Thank you for your help.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026/27 for all parishes.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION for Year 4s and upwards.

PLEASE PICK UP FROM FR JULIUS or Fr DOMINIC:

- 1) Registration Form – which should be filled in and returned physically not by email.
- 2) Mass attendance form and a copy of the basic prayers.
- 3) Send an email to: ccswcsacraments@gmail.com with your name and the child's name and age.
- 4) Once the registration form and email has been received you will be invited to book a meeting with your child on either Thursday 24th September 6.00-8.00pm (15 min slots) or on Thursday 1st October.
- 5) The course will start in November and be held on Saturdays 1.45-3.15pm at Boston.
- 6) No child will be able to start the course unless they have already been attending mass and know the basic prayers.

(CANDIDATES OUTSIDE OF BOSTON PLEASE SEE FR.DOMINIC)

This year there will be two courses: November to April; April to July.

Our Lady and St. Peter, Woodall Spa

15 Cromwell Avenue, Woodhall Spa LN10 6TH

www.catholicchurchwoodhallspa.org

To contact

Fr Dominic 01205 362056

Fr John: Tel. 01526 352245

Anniversaries: Mary Bedford and Teresa Smith.

Please pray for the sick of the parish: Betty Cahill, Janet Cashman, David Waller, Sylvia Berry, Tonia Oldham, Caronne Daft, Natasha Reynolds and Georgina Hegarty.

FOOD BANK

The Food Bank has put out a list of items they are short of such as tuna, sardines, tinned meat, rice pudding, tinned fruits, jam, peanut butter, soap, toothpaste and brushes, washing up liquid.

OR, if you would like to help by making a donation to buy fresh food, the Food Bank details are: a/c number 29087560 sort code: 30-95-96 or via St. Mary's church, Horncastle.

Churches Without Walls – CWW

Dear All

“Churches Without Walls” (CWW) meets next Thursday, 27th August, from 7.00 pm till 9.00 pm, in St James' Church House, Louth.

Centering Prayer & Contemplative Meditation: Open to All

CWW meets from 2.30pm till 4.30pm, on 20th August, 3rd & 17th September, then normally every 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month, thereafter, at St Lawrence's C of E, 4-5 Church Lane, Bardney LN3 5TZ “Come and see!” (Jn 1:39,46;4:29)

For more details, and any questions or enquiries, etc, please contact Rev Sue Evans (email: broadbentevans@btinternet.com) and/or Rev Deacon James Hunter (email: james.hunter200@btinternet.com)

Talking Philosophy and Theology: a Carmelite Perspective

Zoom Meetings - link contact below

1st & 3rd Wednesday evenings at 7.45 pm for 8.00 – 10.00 pm.

2nd & 4th (not 5th) Thursday afternoons at 12.45 pm for 1.00 -3.00 pm.

Zoom link contact: james.hunter200@btinternet.com

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St Marys Boston

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PARISH .. Weekly, short, prayer services will now take place in the chapel at Pilgrim Hospital, Boston, on a Tuesday at 11.45am, led by chaplain Rev. Deacon Martyn Chambers. (07753 531859) Services will be mostly in the Catholic Christian tradition and could include prayers, readings and quiet brief reflection, all of which it is hoped will support staff and their faith needs. All are very welcome, irrespective of denomination, faith or no faith. Please do join us. We can all support each other.

BUILDING PROJECT:

Good news! We aim to start the work in September and we are busy applying for grants to aid the work.

The approval of the diocese for our building project covers part 1: Renovation of the Church and basic work on the Old School House. The new confessionals and baptistery will be in part 2. We wish, however, to start fundraising for particular parts of the project: in particular the Icon of Our Lady £25,000

Phase one of the Parish Bi-Centenary Project will begin soon. We are aware that in the past, some items which had been gifted by parishioners, had been unceremoniously removed and we would like to reassure parishioners there is no intention to dispose of any items currently in church, the vestry, the Narthex or the sacristy, though it may be necessary to move items to new locations. Deacon Martyn would like to hear from any parishioner who has knowledge of specific items which were kindly gifted to/donated to/ purchased for our church, as we do not have a record.

MISSIO It is time to bring in your Missio red boxes to be counted, if you have not already done so. Please take your box to the sacristy. When counted, it will be left on the table in the church porch for you to collect. Many thanks. Teresa

If you would like to be on the parish email circular, please send an email to: info@saintmarysboston@gmail.com New Website: stmarys-boston.rcdon.uk

FACE BOOK



DONATIONS: Just scan the QR code with your phone to donate to our parish. Don't forget to gift aid if you can.

