



Sacred Heart Of Jesus Newsletter

Welcome to this week's newsletter. This information is also available on the [Sacred Heart Web Page](#)
Please note the web page will always be the most up to date link with parish news.

If you need to contact Fr Paul, please email oh.sacredheart.loughboro@dioceseofnottingham.uk or ring the parish office on **01509 219325**

COVID UPDATE – ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

As we are all aware the COVID restrictions were lifted on Monday 19th July. However, it is also down to how groups, companies and persons manage the ongoing situation, which we know cases are rising once again. **Please note OVER THE SUMMER MONTHS, WE WILL CONTINUE WITH FACE COVERINGS AND SOCIAL DISTENCING. Further information will be shared with you over the coming weeks. Thank you.**

The online Booking system: If you find the booking form is showing the Mass is full, please ring Fr Paul who will check for you. We do ask you check and book via the [Mass booking form link](#) Thank you

Weekly Message from Fr Paul

Message for the Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Gospel according to John is the only one of the four Gospels which doesn't mention the Last Supper.

This might seem like quite an omission, given the importance of the Eucharist in the life of the Church, but Scripture scholars agree that John's was the last of the Gospels to be written so perhaps he thought that the other three evangelists had already said everything that needed to be said about the Last Supper itself.

What John *does* give us is Chapter Six of his Gospel. He leads in by way of the account of the feeding of the five thousand, which is today's Gospel reading, but then he goes on, for the rest of the chapter, to recount Jesus' teaching about the meaning and importance of the gift of the Eucharist to the Church. Over the next five Sundays, we will hear the remainder of Chapter Six.

Three things might strike us about the feeding of the five thousand.

First, Jesus responded to a human need - the people were hungry.

Second, what he gave them was miraculous.

Third, the gift was extravagant; there were twelve baskets filled with leftovers.

These themes will be developed in the Gospel readings over the next few Sundays.

Fr Paul

Prayer Intentions for this coming week.

Date	Intentions	Reading	Stewards
Saturday 17:30 Vigil 24 th July 2021	For Vocations	1st Reading: <i>Second Kings 4:42-44</i> 2nd Reading: Ephesians 4:1-6:	Ian and Noel



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Sunday 10am Mass 18 th 25 th July 2021	People of the Parish.	Gospel: John 6:1-15	Mary and Liz
Wednesday 9:30 Mass 28 th July 2021	Vincent Nguyen Hoang Cuong R.I.P.	1st Reading: Exodus 34:29-35 Gospel: Matthew 13:44-46	Nikki and Mary
Saturday 17:30 Vigil 31 st July 2021	In Thanksgiving	1st Reading: Exod 16:2-4, 12-15 2nd Reading: Eph 4:17, 20-24 Gospel: John 6:24-35	Mary and Noel
Sunday Mass 1 st August 2021	People of the Parish.		Richard and Liz

Parish News

Pope Francis sends an urgent call to us all - Week 7

Laudato si. This will be my last item for the newsletter for a while, but I will call a meeting of people who are concerned about climate change and the environment as soon as it's possible. To finish with here are a few facts: In 1750, CO2 in the atmosphere was 280 parts per million (ppm). In 2021, CO2 is now 415 ppm. If we continue to burn fossil fuel at current rates CO2 will be 900ppm and sea levels will rise a further 40-80cm by the end of the century. Between 1994 and 2017 the planet lost 28 trillion tons of ice as a result of man-made global warming. (Sources Royal Society; US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; Scientific American). We are in a Climate Emergency. We and our government must act now. We can all play our part. Prayer. Lord, give me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things that I can and the wisdom to know the difference. Frank Fay

Volunteering at Sacred Heart – We welcome you to join us

Please if you have a few hours a week, over a month, so many times a year, we would love to hear from you. All these voluntary positions help our Sacred Heart Church be the heart of this community. You do not need to worry over experience if perfectly fine. We all learn together and make a band of new friends whilst do these wonderful things for our church. A notice will soon be available on the notice board in the hall foyer who to contact, but in the meantime please contact Fr Paul. Thank you

- Stewarding
- Flower arranging
- Music
- Tea and Coffee
- Alter Servers
- Catechist
- Eucharistic ministry
- Readers
- Cleaning
- Supporting Children's Liturgy
- Admin Support