



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 the parish office, please email oh.sacredheart.loughboro@dioceseofnottingham.uk or ring the parish office on **01509 219325**.

Weekly Message from Fr Paul

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Jesus typically removed burdens from the people he met. He relaxed rules and restrictions wherever he could.

The one exception to this, occurs in today's Gospel story where Jesus actually tightens a regulation found in the Law of Moses. It concerns divorce.

Moses had allowed the people of Israel to divorce. Jesus tells them plainly that this is not in accordance with the will of his Father. He represents marriage as an unbreakable bond, not just a human convention or a legal arrangement but as an essential part of God's plan for the human race.

In the Nuptial Blessing, which is part of the marriage ceremony, the priest prays,

"... when you had set in place
the beginnings of the universe,
formed man and woman in your own image,
making the woman an inseparable helpmate to the man,
that they might no longer be two, but one flesh,
and taught that what you were pleased to make one
must never be divided."

Human laws and conventions can be overturned or set aside. God's cannot! However, the Church is not unaware of the difficulties which can arise in a marriage and, through her priests and other agencies, offers help and support to those who need it.

God Bless

Fr. Paul.

Mass times this week and Mass Intentions

Beginning on **Thursday 7th October**, the Tuesday and Thursday masses at 9:30 a.m. will be open to parishioners. No need to pre book, just sign in when you arrive.

Prayer Intentions for this coming week.

Date	Intentions	Reading	Stewards
Saturday 17:30 Vigil 2 nd October 2021	Denis O'Shea R.I.P.	1st Reading: Gen 2:18-24 2nd Reading: Heb 2:9-11	Fiona and Noel
Sunday 10am Mass 3 rd October 2021	People of the Parish.	Gospel Mark 10:2-16	Mary and Liz
Wednesday 9:30 Mass 6 th October 2021	Ben and Yvonne Watkins' intentions	1st Reading: Jonah 4:1-11 Gospel: Luke 11:1-4	Wednesday Team



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Thursday 9:30 Mass 7 th October 2021	Sick of our Parish	1st Reading: <i>Malachi 3:13-20</i> Gospel: <i>Luke 11:5-13</i>	_____
Saturday 17:30 Vigil 9 th October 2021	People of the Parish.	1st Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11 2nd Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13	Ian and Mary
Sunday Mass 10 th October 2021	Patrick Looney R.I.P.	Gospel: Mark 10:17-30	Liz and Maggy

Parish News

Cafod Harvest Envelopes: - A basket for the Cafod Harvest donation, will be in Mass this weekend. Thank you for your continual support.

Harvest In Charnwood: - It's nearly that time of year when Harvest Festivals are in full swing and we receive lots of donations from our generous local communities, churches and schools.

Whilst ambient food is very much welcomed, Food banks have communicated that the current need this year is for cleaning products and washing detergents. If you are planning any events or collections, can we ask that you consider asking for people to contribute these items.

Please [click here](#) to see a map of food banks that are running throughout Charnwood that will gratefully receive your donations. Food banks are also open to cash donations should you prefer and can be contacted directly using the details provided. Thank you

Laudato si. Pope Francis is constantly urging the Church to engage with the "Community". By this he means not just the parish community but the wider local, national and international community. So, how can we do this at Sacred Heart parish? One way would be to support the local food bank which is run by volunteers at John Storer House in Loughborough. With Fr Paul's blessing I will be putting a box near the glass doors at the exit to church to receive donations. I will empty it every other week and take the contents down to John Storer House. Currently, the food bank has a good stock of tinned and dry goods. What it does need is the following: soap, shampoo, deodorants, shower-gel, cleaning materials, bleach, tooth paste, tooth brushes, female sanitary products, washing powder / liquid and washing up liquid. If you can afford to make a donation please put it in the box as you leave the church after Mass. There are many people in the Loughborough area who are still dependant on the food bank to make ends meet and many of these people are in-work. It is not just the unemployed who are affected by food and fuel-poverty. Please help if you can. Thank you Frank Fay

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:- There will be a meeting after Mass on **Sunday 3rd October**, for existing Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, plus those who would like to be commissioned, to discuss whether it may be possible to recommence visits to sick and housebound parishioners.

1st Holy Communion Classes – Please continue to pray for our nine class of 2021 1st, Holy Communion youngsters, Elijah Warner, Ada May Warner, Olivia Mannion, Daniel Pyrah, Jimmy Lynn, Dahlia Mattock, Thomas Willmor, Henry Frostick, James Edwards.

Last week of October Loughborough Streets of Light 2021:- It's that time of year when the nights get darker and our windows get brighter as we shine out messages of light, hope and love!

Last year, during the last week of October, hundreds of households across Loughborough joined LCP as we decorated our windows to shine out messages of light, hope and love. This year, **Loughborough Streets of Light is BACK** and we want even more windows to shine in the darkness!

Our dream is that every household from every church signs up to this simple but powerful project! Imagine the thousands of people in our town, passing through our town, who will see these messages of light, hope and love



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shining from our homes. What an impact that could have during these dark months as the Church points to **THE LIGHT** that is Jesus Christ. For more information and to sign-up to the project, check out our [WEBSITE!](#)

From the Diocese

LEICESTERSHIRE ACTIVE CATHOLIC YOUTH (LACY) are sending out a warm invitation to all young people, their families and friends to an amazing “First Physical Event” since the beginning of COVID. “What Do You Know About Angels?” **SUNDAY 3RD OCTOBER**. Lots of interesting activities, sharing Faith, Fun and Food! Fr. Simon Gillespie will be leading us in thoughts, ideas and the Celebration of an uplifting Mass especially for young people. Come and share the time with the LACY Team at St. Thomas More, Catholic Parish Rooms and Field, Knighton, Leicester, LE2 3HN. **2.00 P.M. – 5.00 P.M.** See poster on LACY facebook page, your own parish media and newsletter. For further information or booking onto the day contact paulinepayne@hotmail.com or claudiacoxon@googlemail.com. We’re looking forward to sharing this day with YOU!

Would you like to work in the Diocese?

Jobs within the Diocese Please refer to the link for more information. The application pack is available via <https://uk.indeed.com/jobs?q=safeguarding&l=nottingham>

Job title: Safeguarding Officer/Caseworker

Purpose of role: To promote excellent safeguarding practice, in line with local and national best practice, provide advice across the Diocese and respond to safeguarding referrals and allegations.

To work closely with the Diocesan Safeguarding team, to help co-ordinate, plan and monitor all aspects of safeguarding work within the Diocese including advising parishes of Policy and procedures including parish audits and training.

Hours of work: 3 days per week (24 hours), with flexibility for working during evenings and Saturdays.

Salary: £32,000 per annum pro rata (£19,200 per annum)

Line Manager: Senior Safeguarding Coordinator

Job title: Safeguarding Training Officer

Purpose of role: To deliver training courses throughout the diocese to raise awareness of safeguarding children and adults. To encourage good practice and support of procedures throughout parishes, in supporting clergy, parish safeguarding representatives and volunteers.

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Hours of work: 3 days per week (24 hours), with flexibility for working during evenings and Saturdays.

Salary: £28,000 per annum pro rata (£16,800 per annum)

Line Manager: Senior Safeguarding Coordinator