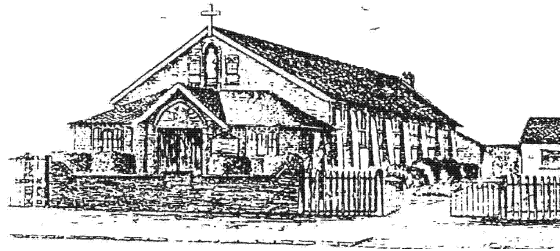


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**DIARY FOR THE WEEK**

**SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2010 – SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [C]**  
 Special day of Prayer for Peace on Earth.

**Sunday:** 9.30am People of the Parish  
 Special Remembrance of Josephine Peacock [Anniv]  
**Wednesday:** 10.00am Mass – Sr Rita Lynch (ints) *Feria*  
**Friday:** 10.00am Mass – Fr David {welfare} *Feria*

**SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2010 – THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR [C]**

**Sunday:** 9.30am People of the Parish  
 Special Remembrance of Jimmy Potts RIP  
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**Masses:** John Mullen [ints], Sheelagh Roebuck [welfare], private intentions.

**REQUESTS FOR PRAYERS**

**WORLD PEACE:** This Sunday is a Day of Special Prayer for Peace on earth. As we look around the world we can find many areas where war, terrorism, violence and conflict are the every day lot of many millions of people. We are all too well aware of the deaths of our own service personnel in Afghanistan, when their bodies are brought home. We pray that these conflicts can be brought to an end and that all people everywhere may be able to live their daily lives in peace and without fear but with dignity and respect.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Fr Peter Logue OSCO of Mt St Bernard's Abbey died on the 8th January aged 96 yrs. Please remember in your prayers Fr Peter, his family and the community of Mt St Bernard's. May he rest in peace

**CYCLE OF PRAYER:** During Ordinary Time until Lent we are asked to pray for these intentions: Peace on earth; Christian Unity; the sick and those who care for them; students and teachers; the unemployed.

**INTENTION OF POPE BENEDICT XV1 FOR JANUARY: General:** That the family may become more and more a place of training in charity, personal growth and transmission of the faith. **Missionary:** That all Christian Churches give authentic witness to the Good News and move toward the full unity of all Christians.

**PRAYER FOR THE SICK:** Charlie Mulholland, Margaret Bowe, John Mullen, Mary Brown, Fran Kirk, Ivy Pritchard, Rose Gray, Maureen Fitzpatrick, Jimmy Flynn, Joe Anderson, Patricia O'Rourke, Denise Geary, Peggy Irwin, Fr David and also Fr Peter. Please also remember some priests in the diocese who are sick: Mgr Jonathan Moore, Fr Robert Routledge, and Fr Terence Makings.

**ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:** Hetty Bennett, Nora Lay, Myra Mullahy, Patrick Webb, Michael Quinn, Mary Rowles, Canon Emil Puttman, Maria Myers, **Andrew Mullahy [3 years entered into paradise]**, Eilish Watson, Arthur Gray, Canon Austin Williamson, Catherine Smith, Veronica Lovett. **May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.**

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION:** Envelopes - £152.50. Loose - £54.15. Total - £206.65. Thank you!

**PARISH QUOTA COLLECTION** will be taken on **this Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> January** during the Communion hymn.

**WHITE FLOWER APPEAL** – Last Sunday raised £115. Thank you all very much.

**PARISH MINISTRIES**

**Ministry of Welcome:**  
**Ministry of Reader:**

**17<sup>th</sup> January**  
 Payne Family  
 Emma Asfaw  
 Barbara Mackness  
 F O'Hara, M Wainwright  
 N Needham, C O'Donovan

**24<sup>th</sup> January**  
 Fitzpatrick Family  
 Angela Fitzpatrick  
 Helen Bray  
 P Vaughan, M Parker  
 K Moore, C. Sweeney  
 Angela & Liz  
 Liz & Joanne  
 Julie

**31<sup>st</sup> January**  
 Margaret McCay  
 Mary Teresa Gibbs  
 Charles Sweeney  
 M McCay, T Greene  
 M Moore, H Bray  
 Angela & Liz  
 Charles & Volunteer  
 Margaret P

**Offertory Collection &  
 Offertory Procession  
 Church Cleaning  
 Tea/Coffee  
 Flowers**

*We urgently need more people to be involved in all ministries. If you can help by doing a ministry, then please come forward. Thank you to those who volunteer for ministry already.*

## PEACE SUNDAY

A day of special prayer for peace on earth will be held this **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> January**. The theme for this year's Peace Sunday is "**To Sow Peace – Protect the Earth**". On Peace Sunday Pope Benedict asks us to pray for our world for peace among ourselves, nations and the earth. He invites us to reflect on this year's theme and reminds us that "**If you want to cultivate peace, protect creation.**" Today we are much more aware of how essential it is that Christians work to safeguard the natural world and re-make our own lifestyles, so that we might "*tread lightly on the earth*". We are having to learn that we belong to nature, and not the other way round. We live here for a while, as tenants and stewards, not owners. But we are also learning that nature gives us the means for healing the wounds we have made, both in the living world and in our own spirits. We are to discover in our own Christian tradition a forgotten wisdom, voices such as St Francis of Assisi, who praised God for Brother Sun and Sister Moon and every other aspect of creation, including Sister Death. These voices, together with Pope Benedict, call us now to live in harmony with each other and with our wonderful planet.

**Pax Christi** is an international catholic movement for peace. It encourages Catholic Christians to try to take responsibility for peace in their own lives and in the world. Every year it helps to promote Pope Benedict's World Peace Message on Peace Sunday. Donation envelopes are at the back of church.

**Pax Christi** works with others to respond to the teaching of Jesus about peace:

By experiencing in our own lives the peace promised by Jesus.

By offering this peace to others through witness, sharing and non-violence.

By working to transform our communities through action and advocacy for justice, work for the abolition of war and to an end to all forms of violence.

To find out more write to Pax Christi, St Joseph's, Watford Way, Hendon, London. N4 4TY or – [www.paxchristi.org.uk](http://www.paxchristi.org.uk)

## CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK

The week of prayer for Christian Unity is from the 18<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> January. This year we at St Edward's church will be hosting the local Christian Unity

Service at **4.00pm on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> January**. Let us make a big effort to be here to give a warm welcome to the members of the other local churches. After the service there will be light refreshments.

## THE NEW MISSAL

It is likely that the new translation into English of the Roman Missal will be introduced into parishes before the end of 2010. Each Episcopal Area of the Diocese will be running various days for exploring Liturgy and preparing for the New Missal. The first session for Leicestershire will be on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> January 10.00am-3.30pm at St Patrick's Parish Hall, Beaumont Leys (LE4 2BD). A packed lunch will be needed. The day is open to all, both clergy and laity, especially those involved in the preparation of the liturgy and catechesis. If you would like to attend, please give your name to Deacon John or me by Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January. Poster.

## SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

We are thinking of inviting Bishop Malcolm to come to the parish to confer the Sacrament of Confirmation during the Autumn Term. Candidates should be aged 11 and at secondary school by the end of this year. Any young person who is eligible and would like to be confirmed please let me know before the end of January. We will need to have sufficient numbers before asking him. Thank you.

## COME AND SEE - VOCATION DISCERNMENT AFTERNOONS FRANCISCAN SISTERS MINORESS

These Discernment afternoons will start on Saturday 31st October 2009 and then the last Saturday of each month after that. Next afternoon Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> January **Time: 2.30pm -5.00pm. Venue: St Clare's Convent, Clay Cross, Derbyshire. S45 9AQ.** If you cannot come to all the Saturday meetings you are welcome to come when you can. These afternoons include: reflecting on The Call in Scripture and the Life of St Francis; some input from the Sisters; Eucharistic Adoration; opportunity for one-to-one with a Sister; tea with the community; Evening Prayer with the community

*This programme is especially relevant for those people who are unsure about which path in life the Lord is leading them towards, and wish to explore the call to Religious Life to discover whether the Lord may be inviting them to discern about this call more deeply.*

**For more details or to let us know you are coming please contact: Sr Marianne, St Clare's Convent, Stretton Road, Derbyshire, S45 9AQ (01246) 862621 mariannelucchesi@hotmail.com (Visit our website:**

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## PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER 2010

Fr Eddy Jarosz will be leading a Pilgrimage to Poland between the above dates. Flying from Stansted Airport to Krakow and staying 4 nights half board in a 3 star hotel in the centre of the city. Full pilgrimage programme including daily Mass and visits to Chestochowa, Auschwitz, city tour of Krakow, Lagiewniki (Basilica of the Divine Mercy) and other places of interest. The cost will be approximately £500 (depends on price of flight at the time of booking). Single supplement £100. Further details and a booking form, contact Fr Eddy at St Peter's Leicester Tel: 251 9802.

## REPOSITORY

After Mass every Sunday Julie opens the Repository at the back of the church. Also in the Hall during coffee she has plenty of cards for all occasions which Julie herself has made. They are beautifully hand crafted and very professional. Well worth having a look and a great help for the parish.

## FAITH IN FAMILIES BOXES

The collection boxes raised **£175.04**. Thank you to all box holders and to Margaret Parker for promoting it.

## Find the Joker

**Margaret Moore's ticket was drawn and she picked Grid E4 – 6 of Hearts.** Prize money now stands at £101.50. Tickets £1 are on sale after Mass and in the Hall during coffee when the draw is made for the winning ticket to turn over a playing card in search of the winning Joker. Thanks to Angela and Keith for running this fundraiser.

## IRISH CEILI & SET DANCE

Learn to dance. No dance experience required. All are welcome. Sunday at St Patrick's Parish Centre, Beaumont Leys Lane, LE4 2BD. 7.30-10.00pm Cost £2. Thursday – Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall, Gooding Avenue, LE3 1JS. 8.00-10.00pm. Cost £1. Further details. Tel: Anne 2415887 or Jo 07977 351901.

## Set Dance Weekend

Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> & Sun 24<sup>th</sup> January at St Patrick's Parish Centre. Set Dance Workshops Saturday 10.30-1.00pm & 2.00-5.00pm. Sunday 12noon-2.00pm. Saturday evening Ceile 8.30pm until late. See poster for more details. Contacts as above.

## CaFE Retreat Day

**Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan 10am-4pm.** Theme – "**Life to the Full**" at Good Shepherd Parish Hall, Woodthorpe, Nottingham NG5 4HT, Suggested donation £10. Bring a packed lunch. To reserve places please call Tom Dillon 01623 79582. See poster and fliers.

*God Bless you and yours*

*Fr Peter & Deacon John*

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