



The Catholic Parishes of Holy Souls' and St Bernadette's, Scunthorpe

Mass Timetable for week beginning
Second Sunday of Lent - 13th March 2022



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Date	Feast	Time	Mass Time	Intention
Saturday 12th March 2022	Lenten Feria	10.00 am	St Bernadette's	Rita Mahon-Warren RIP
		11.00 am Latin	Holy Souls'	Priest's Intentions
		12.00 noon Polish	Holy Souls'	Polish Priest's Intentions
		4.30 pm Vigil	Holy Souls'	Mary & Andrew Dooley RIP
		6.00 pm Vigil	St Bernadette's	James Walsh RIP
Sunday 13th March 2022	Second Sunday Of Lent	9.00 am	St Norbert's	George Tracey RIP
		9.30 am	Holy Souls'	People of the Parish
		11.00 am	St Bernadette's	Irene McKey RIP
		11.15 am	St Thomas'	TBA
		4.30 pm Polish	Holy Souls'	Polish Priest's Intentions
Monday 14th	Lenten Feria	9.30 am 9.30 am	St Bernadette's Holy Souls'	Pais & Mascarenhas Families Decd Katie & John Hyland RIP
Tuesday 15th	Lenten Feria	8.00 am	St Bernadette's	For the Stewards
		9.30 am	Holy Souls'	Peter Tran Van Anh RIP
		11.00 am Polish	Holy Souls'	Polish Priest's Intentions
		6.30 pm Reception	Holy Souls'	John McIntyre RIP
Wednesday 16th	Lenten Feria	10.00 am 11.00 am Funeral Mass	St Norbert's Holy Souls'	Joan Corkery RIP John McIntyre RIP
Thursday 17th	St Patrick	9.30 am 11.00 am Polish	Holy Souls' Holy Souls'	Clarke Family Deceased Polish Priest's Intentions
Friday 18th	Lenten Feria	10.00 am	St Thomas'	TBA
		6.00 pm	St Bernadette's	Ronald Geoffrey Taylor RIP
		7.00 pm Polish	Holy Souls'	Polish Priest's Intentions
Saturday 19th March 2022	St Joseph, Spouse of Our Lady	10.00 am	St Bernadette's	Donald Reavey RIP
		11.00 am Latin	Holy Souls'	Priest's Intentions
		12.00 noon Polish	Holy Souls'	Polish Priest's Intentions
		4.30 pm Vigil	Holy Souls'	Tim Galvin RIP
		6.00 pm Vigil	St Bernadette's	Joss & Babs Collins RIP
Sunday 20th March 2022	Third Sunday Of Lent	9.00 am	St Norbert's	Ian Tonge RIP
		9.30 am	Holy Souls'	Decd Clergy of Holy Souls' Church
		11.00 am	St Bernadette's	People of the Parish
		11.15 am	St Thomas'	TBA
		4.30 pm Polish	Holy Souls'	Polish Priest's Intentions

+++ Lent Family Fast Day Friday 11th March 2022 - A second collection will be taken up at all Masses this weekend +++

Pope Francis - Tweet of the Week

'No compromises with evil! We must not fall into that slumber of the conscience that makes us say: "But after all, it's not serious everyone does it!" Let us look at Jesus, who does not make agreements with evil. He opposes the devil with the Word of God and overcomes temptation.'

Contact Priest Details

If you, or a member of your family is in hospital, or you would like a visit, please contact St Bernadette's Presbytery on 01724 844895.

The Solemnity of St Joseph, Husband of Mary - 19th March

The season of Lent is interrupted by the Solemnity of St Joseph, the husband of Mary. In today's entrance antiphon we hear *The Lord has put his faithful servant in charge of his household.* The household referred to is the Holy Family of Nazareth. God entrusted this treasure to St Joseph, who dedicated his entire life to their care. The Lord's household can also be understood as the Church, which likewise looks to St Joseph as a guardian and patron.

The first reading brings to mind the ancient promises made by God to his chosen people, which were then passed down from generation to generation: the coming of a just and powerful king, the Good Shepherd who will lead his flock to verdant pastures, the Redeemer who will save his people. In this passage from the second book of Samuel, God announces to David that the Messiah will arise from his descendants. The Messiah will found an everlasting kingdom. It is through Joseph that Jesus is the son of David. Christ is the fulfilment of the prophecies made from the time of Abraham.

The Gospel of today's Mass places special emphasis on the fact that Joseph was a member of the House of David: *Jacob was the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, who is called Christ (Matt 1:16).* St Joseph is, therefore, the Patriarch of the New Testament.

Here was an ordinary man to whom God granted extraordinary graces. Joseph was to fulfil a most singular mission in the salvific design of God. He experienced indescribable joys along with the trials of doubt and suffering. We recall his perplexity at the mystery of Mary's conception, at the extreme material poverty in Bethlehem, at the prophecies of Simeon in the Temple, at the hurried flight into Egypt, at the difficulties of having to live in a foreign land, at the return from Egypt and the threat posed by the successor of Herod, Archelaus. Joseph showed himself always faithful to the will of God, always ready to set aside his own human plans and considerations.

The explanation of this remarkable fidelity is that Jesus and Mary were at the centre of Joseph's life. Joseph's self-giving and generosity comes from his loving faith and confident hope. His feast is therefore a good opportunity for us to renew our own commitment to the Christian calling God has given each of us.

We ask the Holy Patriarch of the Church, Joseph, to help us to fulfil the will of God in everything, just as he did. We pray that he will show us how to live out our commitments joyfully and without reservation. Our example will enlighten many others as to their own vocation in life, whether that be the priesthood, religious life, holy matrimony, or the single life. We must remember that the way we live will either help to foster a culture of vocation in the Church, or it will detract from it. We must remember that it is our responsibility to promote vocations in the Church, just as much as it is the responsibility of the parish priest, the vocations director or the bishop. We do this mainly by the serene witness of living out our own vocation faithfully, but also by praying for vocations, and by encouraging others who are suitable to think of a vocation in the Church. We must recall the unfortunate reality that there is a serious shortage of vocations to married life, the priesthood and religious life, three of the key pillars of vocation in the Church. And it is the responsibility of all here, in our own small way, to do something to correct this.

The life of St Joseph reminds us that every home where there are baptized people is a domestic Church, and the Church is present there. Each Christian home is a living cell of the body of Jesus Christ, His Church. The Church is far more than buildings, in fact buildings are less important than anything else about the Church. For the first three centuries of Christianity, long before churches were able to be built, the Church existed in the homes of Christians. The faith was lived and handed down from generation to generation in the home, and the home was the main base for evangelization of

the world, and this is still true today. It is worth noting however, that during this unfortunate period our churches will still be open for private prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament. You will find the times available in parish newsletters, websites and notice boards.

Thirdly, we must recall the absolute trust in God of St Joseph, and imitate his example in these difficult times. Yes, there are many things we could be anxious about, but let's put these fears on one side and trust in providence. Whatever happens, God is able to bring many graces to his people even in the midst of suffering. We are God's people, we are in his powerful hands and he is looking after us. Remember St Joseph, whose heart was always alive with joy, even in the most difficult trials.

In your charity please pray for

John McIntyre and all who have died recently, may they rest in peace. *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.* Please pray for their families at this difficult time; for those whose anniversaries occur at this time; for all who are sick and housebound and those who have no family to support them. We remember all those who are in hospital or are having treatment, those whose treatment has been cancelled or postponed and those who are in nursing homes or being cared for at home.

Ukraine Appeal – St Bernadette's & Holy Souls

If you would like to contribute to this appeal please see the list of specific items required on the noticeboards. You can place your donations in the collection boxes provided and these will be taken to the local drop off points for transportation by Support Ukraine UK.

March Diary

- * **Sunday 13th March - Queen's Platinum Jubilee Planning Meeting** in St Bernadette's Parish Centre after the 11.00 am Mass. The event itself will be held on Saturday 11th June from 1.00 to 4.00 pm. Ticket details will be published in the newsletter at a later date.
- * **Monday, 21st March - Holy Souls' PPC Meeting** at 7.00 pm in the Sacristy

SVP Lunch

The next lunch is on Tuesday 5th April.

Mission Red Box Holders - St Bernadette's

Can St Bernadette's box holders please bring their red boxes into Church for emptying. Your box will then be left at the back of the Church for you to collect. Thank you for your support.

Job Vacancy

Deputy Head Teacher at English Martyrs Catholic Voluntary Academy, Leicester. For more information and to download an application pack please visit: www.aquinas-cmat.org/vacancies

Stations of The Cross during Lent

St Norbert's after the Wednesday Mass
 Holy Souls' Friday 6.00 pm
 St Bernadette's Sunday 3.00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 10.30 to 11.00 am St Bernadette's
 10.30 to 10.55 am Holy Souls'
 4.00 to 4.25 pm Holy Souls'
 Sunday 8.45 to 8.55 am St Norbert's
 11.00 to 11.10 am St Thomas'

Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament

Saturday 10.30 to 11.30 am St Bernadette's