

PARISH OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST AND ST PETER MELTON MOWBRAY

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St John the Baptist, Thorpe End; St Peter's, Welby Lane; Convent, Dalby Road.

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Eleventh Sunday of the Year – 14th June 2009 (Year B Readings) Week 3 of Psalter

CORPUS CHRISTI

Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Our Lord

	<u>Time</u>	<u>Church</u>	<u>Mass Intentions</u>	<u>Readers</u>
Sat 13th	6.00pm	Convent	Parishioners' Intentions	J Reed P Lee Dominic/Rumbi
Sun 14th	9.00am 10.30am 11.40am	St John's St Peter's St Peter's	November Dead List Intentions Fr Stephen Reith RIP Baptism: We welcome Lola Nicola Bowes into God's family in this parish	
Mon 15th	7.45am	Convent	Sr Maria's Feast Day Intentions	<u>Welcomers</u> Mrs Cardwell J Curley & family
Tues 16th	9.30am 10.45-12noon	St John's St John's	ST RICHARD OF CHICHESTER Shirley McNeill and Hugh and Dorothy McNeill (followed by refreshments) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	<u>Cleaners</u> Mr & Mrs Donachie
Weds 17th	10.15am 8.00pm	NB St John's Convent House	Funeral Mass for Mrs Bernadette Elliot RIP Holy Hour	
Thurs 18th	9.30am	St John's	John and Christine Hyland RIP	<u>Counters</u> This week C Next week D
Fri 19th	7.45am	Convent	FEAST OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS Miss Bernadette McGuinness' Intentions	
Sat 20th	9.00am 9.30-12 noon 11.30am 5.15-5.45pm	St John's St John's St John's St John's NB	IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY Mary and Tony McGuire's Intentions Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Confessions Confessions followed by Rosary at 5.40pm	<u>Welcomers</u> Mrs Draper & Mrs Strange E Keogh & E Green

Twelfth Sunday of the Year – 21st June 2009 (Year B Readings) Week 4 of Psalter

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST (Patron of our parish)

	6.00pm	St John's NB <i>No 6pm Mass at the Convent</i>	November Dead List Intentions	<u>Readers</u> D Howe J Chisnall Gemma/Colette
Sun 21st	9.00am 10.30am	St John's St Peter's	NB <i>No Mass</i> Parishioners' Intentions	

Not à la Carte

Johnny got the message early in life. When asked by his religion teacher what he thought of God he replied with gravity beyond his young years, "I bet it's very hard for him to love all of everybody in the whole world. There are only four people in our family and I can never do it." Out of the mouth of babes!

In today's First Reading from the Book of Exodus (24:3-8) the word "all" is used repeatedly. In brief: *all* the people promise obedience to *all* the words of the Lord. There's no half measure, no *à la carte* approach to God's commands. There wasn't then, and there isn't now.

Today we celebrate the feast of The Body and Blood of Christ, or *Corpus Christi* as it's more popularly known. The Eucharist that Christ gave us is a meal open to all people who have committed themselves in faith to Jesus as Saviour. The Eucharist, while it needs to be celebrated in a manner that expresses life, joy and community, is not an entertainment event. It's joyful yet serious, lively yet dignified and, in a sense, "ordinary" yet holy. What we need to realise too, however, is that it also requires effort on our part to prepare for it and further effort to celebrate it well. That's where the "all" comes in again. We can't prepare for the Eucharist with only part of our life. Following Jesus is a total life-long commitment. How could anyone celebrate Mass on Sunday, having lived like a pagan on Saturday? Fr Tom Cahill

Pray My Brothers and Sisters For: Joan Mynett, Fr Brendan O'Sullivan, Fr David Everitt who is seriously sick, a young man who is having chemotherapy, Mrs Kathleen Challis, Mrs H Dickinson, Christine Walsh's daughter Susan, and for all the sick & housebound of the Parish.

Parish Anniversaries: 2002 Mary Goodwin, Beaumont Winters; 2006 Ernest Dolby. And all whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Collection: Week commencing 7th June 2009 Loose £109.35; Envelopes £485.90; Standing Orders £325

Second Collection for Franciscan Missions: £39.39

Thank you for your generosity.

THIS WEEK

Mon 15th 6-7.30pm Brownies at St Francis School
Mon 15th 7.30-9pm Guides at St Francis School
Tues 16th 3.45pm Kumon in the Parish Centre
Tues 16th 6.45pm Governors' meeting at Convent
Tues 16th 8pm Mothers' Prayer Group at St Peter's
Weds 17th 9.30am Slimming World in Parish Centre
Weds 17th 7.30pm Youth Club meet at UR Church Hall
Weds 17th 7.30pm Faith sharing for adults in Presbytery
Thurs 18th 9.30am Weight Watchers in Parish Centre
Thurs 18th 5.30pm Slimming World in Parish Centre
Thurs 18th 7.30pm PPC meeting in the Meeting Room
Fri 19th 9.30-11am Mother & Toddler Group at St Peter's
Sat 20th 9.45am Kumon in the Parish Centre

Sympathy

The parish extends sincerest sympathy and prayers to the family of Bernadette Elliot of Redwood Avenue who died early last Saturday morning after a long illness. May she rest in peace.

Pro-Life Times

Will be given out free after Mass. Please take a copy.

Garment of Suffering

We were unable to burn this at St John's last Sunday because of the weather and hopefully this ceremony will take place outside the church after Mass this Sunday.

Churches Together in Melton Mowbray

Praise in the Park takes place this Sunday 14th June 11am at the Bandstand in Play Close Park (or St Mary's if wet), followed by a free hog roast (or bring a picnic).

Parish Gift Day – Sunday 21st June

After the 10.30am Mass we will celebrate the Feast of St John the Baptist with a parish get together when hot dogs will be available (or you can bring a picnic) and children's games etc. Plus the Grand Draw at 12noon.

Please note the times of Mass that weekend will be:

Saturday 20 June – 6pm at St John's.

Sunday 21 June – 10.30am at St Peter's.

NB There will be no Mass at the Convent

If you need a lift or could offer a lift to the 10.30am Mass please contact the Presbytery on 562274.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and Elderly

This took place last Sunday and was very well supported. Fr Jim, Pat Lee and the Parish Sisters would like to thank all parishioners who generously provided transport and a wonderful supply of refreshments, not forgetting those who served and washed up afterwards.

First Confession and First Communion 2010

Declaration of Interest forms, to request preparation of children aged 8 and upwards to celebrate these sacraments, are available in the porch. Please return

the forms to Fr Jim by **Sunday 5th July 2009**. We need this information so that books can be ordered in time.

Confirmation 2010

In Confirmation we complete what we began in Baptism. We hope to have the Bishop to visit us next year to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Conditions for Confirmation

- Be fourteen years or older
- Attending Mass is part of the preparation
- Attend all classes and liturgical celebrations
- Choose a sponsor who joins the parish community for Mass on Sunday

Parents to attend all parents' sessions.

Anyone who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation next year, please collect a letter from the porch and return it by **Sunday 5th July 2009**.

Catholic Children's Society (now Faith in Families)

It's time to empty your old box and collect a new one. Please leave the contents in the Sacristy or give to Mrs Hall at St Francis School (and collect your new box). Any problems phone 565379 and I will call and collect. Thank you for your generosity and help.

APF Red Box Holders

Please collect your envelope from the porch. APF returns for 2008 are on the notice boards, Thank you for your kind donations throughout the year. Without your generosity many people wouldn't get the help they need.

Left in the Parish Centre

Various tins, boxes and trays left after First Communion breakfast. We would be grateful if these could be collected as soon as possible otherwise they will be stored in the large storeroom awaiting collection.

Cleaning out the radiators at St John's

This will take place from Thursday 18th June from 10am until Friday 19th June and the church will therefore be closed during this time.

Vacancies

The Dioceses of Lincoln and Nottingham are seeking a Principal for the new joint Church secondary school, St Andrew's, in North East Lincolnshire. For further information please contact Edward Hayes on 01332 293833 or edward.hayes@nottingham-des.org.uk

The Federation of Leicester and Leicestershire Catholic Schools require a Facilitator (0.4 FTE) from September 1st 2009, salary: £39,678 FTE (*pro rata* £15,871).

Information available at www.bishopellis.leics.sch.uk click on the 'Federation Job' link."

God Bless You All – Fr Jim