

PARISH OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST AND ST PETER MELTON MOWBRAY

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HOME MISSION SUNDAY

Day of Special Prayer for the Evangelisation of England and Wales

Twenty fifth Sunday of the Year – 20th September 2009 (Year B Readings) Week 1 of Psalter

	<u>Time</u>	<u>Church</u>	<u>Mass Intentions</u>	<u>Readers</u>
Sat 19th	6.00pm	Convent	Joan and Pat Robertson's Intention	P Jones J Boylan Rebecca/Debbie
Sun 20th	9.00am 10.30am	St John's St Peter's	Parishioners' Intentions Fr Gerard Murphy RIP	<u>Welcomers</u> Mrs Draper & Mrs Strange J Curley & family
Mon 21st	7.45am	Convent	ST MATTHEW Apostle (Feast Day) Brother's Intention	
Tues 22nd	9.30am (followed by refreshments) 10.45-12noon	St John's St John's	Fr McCarthy RIP Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	<u>Cleaners</u> Mrs Bezzano & Mrs Wright
Weds 23rd	12.20pm 8.00pm	Convent Convent House	ST PADRE PIO Deceased uncle RIP Holy Hour	
Thurs 24th	9.15am	School	OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM Deceased friend RIP Class Mass (Mrs Hickey's class)	<u>Counters</u> This week A Next week B
Fri 25th	7.45am	Convent	Deceased friend RIP	
Sat 26th	9.00am 9.30-12 noon 11.30am 5.15-5.35pm 5.40pm	St John's St John's St John's Convent Convent	SS COSMAS AND DAMIAN (Patrons of Doctors) John Bezzano RIP Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Confessions Confessions Start of Novena to St Thérèse of Lisieux	<u>Welcomers</u> M Barson & J Reed E Keogh & E Green

Twenty sixth Sunday of the Year – 27th September 2009 (Year B Readings) Week 2 of Psalter

	6.00pm	Convent	Parishioners' Intentions	<u>Readers</u> C McGrath R Murray Tony/Danny B
Sun 27th	9.00am 10.30am 5.00pm	St John's St Peter's St John's	Private Intention Mrs Hilda Dickinson RIP Novena to St Thérèse of Lisieux	

Conversion of St Thérèse of Lisieux

On that night of light began the third period of my life, the most beautiful and the most filled with graces from heaven. The work I had been unable to do in ten years was done by Jesus in one instant, contenting himself with my goodwill which was never lacking. I could say to Him like His apostles: "Master, I fished all night and caught nothing." More merciful to me than He was to His disciples, Jesus took the net Himself, cast it, and drew it in filled with fish. He made me a fisher of souls. I experienced a great desire to work for the conversion of sinners, a desire I hadn't felt so intensely before. I felt charity enter into my soul, and the need to forget myself and to please others; since then I've been happy!

Lord Jesus, fill our hearts with your divine charity so that we may learn to practice fraternal charity towards all those we meet. Teach us how to forget ourselves and to seek to serve others. With Thérèse, and full of confidence in your mercy for sinners, we pray to you: grant us the grace of conversion so that we too might become apostles of mercy in your service. Amen.

The Holy Father's Mission Intention for September: trusting in the Holy Spirit, Christians in Laos, Cambodia, and Myanmar may courageously proclaim the Gospel.

Pray My Brothers and Sisters For: Joan Mynett, Fr Brendan O'Sullivan, Teresa Tierney, Fr David Everitt, Mrs Joan Robertson, Don Hall, Eileen Green's Intention and for all the sick & housebound of the parish.

Parish Anniversaries: 1999 Martin O'Brian; 2002 Margaret Ryk, Stefan Marksteiner; 2006 Eileen Purr. And all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Second Collection this weekend: for Home Mission Sunday

THIS WEEK

Mon 21st 5-6pm Rainbows at St Francis School
Mon 21st 6-7.30pm Brownies at St Francis School
Mon 21st 7.30-9pm Guides at St Francis School
Mon 21st 7pm Baptism course in the Parish Centre
Tues 22nd 3.45pm Kumon in the Parish Centre
Tues 22nd 8pm Mothers' Prayers Samworth Centre
Weds 23rd 9.30am Slimming World in Parish Centre
Weds 23rd 7pm St Francis School Governors meeting
Weds 23rd 7.30pm Youth Club meet at UR Church Hall
Thurs 24th 9.30am Weight Watchers in Parish Centre
Thurs 24th 2-4pm Silver Circle meet in Parish Centre
Thurs 24th 5.30pm Slimming World in Parish Centre
Thurs 24th 7.30pm Faith sharing in the Presbytery
Sat 26th 9.45am Kumon in Parish Centre

Home Mission Sunday

As we celebrate Home Mission Sunday today, the theme of which is "They will know Him by the good works that you do," we are invited to reflect on ways in which we can share our faith with others through service and acts of charity. There will be a second collection to support the work of CASE (Catholic Agency to Support Evangelisation). The following websites may be of interest: www.life4seekers.co.uk offering free and confidential information about the Catholic faith to enquirers. www.comehomeforchristmas.co.uk for non-practicing/resting Catholics, and an evangelistic site for 11-13 year olds: www.yfaith.co.uk

Parish Open Evening

We would be most grateful to hear from the 20 people who said they would like to help out in the parish in some way using their particular gifts and talents.

Friends of St John's and St Peter's

I would be most grateful if some parishioners could form a group to help maintain our two churches. Please contact Fr Jim if you are able to help.

New Readers

As the reading rota has come to an end any parishioner, particularly young parishioners, who would like to be readers please contact Sr Thomas More on 562422 or the parish office on 562274. Thank you.

CAFOD/Christian Aid Group

Recycle your mobile or inkjet cartridge and help tackle global poverty – CAFOD will receive £3 for every mobile and £1 for every recyclable inkjet cartridge sent to The Recycling Factory. Envelopes available in the porch.

Silver Circle

Silver Circle starts again Thursday 24th September from 2-4pm in St Peter's Parish Centre. From September the raffle ticket will be £1.50. Looking forward to seeing you.

SPUC Street Collection - Saturday 26th September

If you can hold a box even for just an hour, please ring Frances on 565781 or 07790 631635.

SPUC Christmas Card Catalogue

If you would like to join our branch order scheme and get your Christmas cards without paying postage and packing ring Frances on 565781 by 26 September.

Holistic Care Towards the End of Life

Leicester SPUC and LIFE groups are organising this half day conference on Saturday 26th September from 1.45-4.30pm at St Thomas More's Church, Knighton Road, Stoneygate, Leicester. No admission charge but places limited so booking recommended. See poster in porch.

Alternatives pregnancy crisis/post termination counselling service

There will be a cheese and wine evening at the Baptist Church on 28th September at 7.30pm when the work of the service will be reviewed and the current situation assessed, with prayers for the year ahead. If you would like to attend please contact the parish office on 562274 before 23rd Sept so we can let the organisers know.

Video on "Getting to know God better"

Please come along to the Parish Centre on Weds 30th September 7.30pm if you would like to watch this video.

Year of celebration for all Franciscans

Franciscans throughout the world are celebrating the 800th anniversary of the approval of their Rule by Pope Innocent III. The Sisters are hoping to celebrate by holding an "Arts and Flower Festival" in the convent chapel over the weekend 3-5th Oct and would like to invite any parishioners who would like to help with artistic ideas, flower arranging, refreshments, time to spend to meet any visitors etc. There will be a meeting at the Convent this Tues, 22nd Sept, for anyone who is interested. If anyone wishes to help but cannot come on Tuesday, please contact Sr Thomas More. Thank you.

Visit of St Thérèse to our Cathedral on Mon 5th Oct

So far just 5 or 6 people have expressed an interest so we can give lifts to those in cars. I have phoned the Cathedral and we can book in a coach for the Mass at 7pm so today is your last opportunity to put your name down to travel by coach. The fare would be £5. Please contact Tony Garrett on 565341 if interested.

NB an all night vigil takes place at the Cathedral on the Monday night and visitors are welcome any time after the 7pm Mass.

Novena to St Thérèse

This starts next Sat 26th Sept 5.40pm at the Convent and ends on Sun 4th Oct 5pm at St John's.

God Bless You All - Fr Jim