

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

	<u>Time</u>	<u>Church</u>	<u>Mass Intentions</u>	<u>Readers</u>
Sat 26th	5.40pm	Convent	Start of Novena to St Thérèse of Lisieux	C McGrath
	6.00pm	Convent	Parishioners' Intentions	R Murray Tony/Danny B
Sun 27th	9.00am	St John's	Private Intention	
	10.30am	St Peter's	Mrs Hilda Dickinson RIP	<u>Welcomers</u>
	5.00pm	St John's	Novena to St Thérèse of Lisieux	M Barson & J Reed E Keogh & E Green
Mon 28th	7.45am	Convent	ST WENCESLAUS	
	7.30pm	St John's	Maureen Danaher RIP Novena to St Thérèse of Lisieux	
Tues 29th	9.30am	St John's	SS MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL Archangels	
	(followed by refreshments)		Service of the Word	
	10.45-12noon	St John's	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	<u>Cleaners</u>
Weds 30th	7.30pm	St John's	Novena to St Thérèse of Lisieux	Mrs Loj Mrs Curley
	12.20pm	Convent	NB <i>No Mass today</i>	
	7.30pm	St John's	Novena to St Thérèse of Lisieux	
Thurs 1st Oct	8.00pm	Convent House	Holy Hour	
	9.30am	NB St John's	ST THERESA OF THE CHILD JESUS	<u>Counters</u>
	7.30pm	St John's	Special Intention Novena to St Thérèse of Lisieux	This week B Next week C
First Fri 2nd	9.15am	NB School	St Francis School Harvest Thanksgiving – CAFOD Fast Day	
	7.30pm	St John's	Clare Walker RIP Novena to St Thérèse of Lisieux	
Sat 3rd	9.00am	St John's	OUR LADY'S SATURDAY	<u>Welcomers</u>
	9.30-12 noon	St John's	Bernadette McGuinness' Intentions	M Barker
	11.30am	St John's	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Sr Baptista &
	5.15-5.35pm	Convent	Confessions	M Bryning
	5.40pm	Convent	Confessions Novena to St Thérèse of Lisieux	
Sun 4th	6.00pm	Convent	Vigil Mass for St Francis (Patronal Feast Day)	<u>Readers</u>
	9.00am	St John's	Eilish Dickinson's Intentions Harvest Mass of Thanksgiving	P Dark
	10.30am	St Peter's	Sick and housebound Harvest Mass and St Francis Feast Day	P Lee
	5.00pm	St John's	Parishioners' Intentions Novena to St Thérèse of Lisieux	Dominic/Rumbi

Lifting the world (from the writings of St Thérèse)

All the saints have understood this, and more especially those who filled the world with the light of the Gospel teachings. Was it not in prayer that St Paul, St Augustine, St John of the Cross, St Thomas Aquinas, St Francis, St Dominic and so many other famous Friends of God have drawn out this divine science which delights the greatest geniuses? A scholar has said: "Give me a lever and a fulcrum and I will lift the world." What Archimedes was not able to obtain, for his request was not directed by God and was only made from a material viewpoint, the saints have obtained in all its fullness. The Almighty has given them as fulcrum: Himself alone; as lever: prayer which burns with a fire of love. And it is in this way that they have lifted the world; it is in this way that the saints still militant lift it, and that, until the end of time, the saints to come will lift it.

O God our Father, you have promised your kingdom to those who are willing to become like little children. Help us to follow the way of Saint Thérèse with confidence so that by her prayers we may come to know your eternal glory. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. 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, Helen Clinton and for all the sick & housebound of the parish.

Parish Anniversaries: 2000 Helen Hurley; 2001 Eileen Dolby; 2002 Peter Herron; 2008 Nora Lenehan. And all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Collection: Week commencing 20th September 2009: Loose £136.50; Envelopes £502.90; Standing Orders £325

Second Collection for Home Mission Sunday: £201.73

Thank you for your generosity.

Second Collection next weekend for CAFOD Harvest Fast Day (which is on Friday 2nd October)

THIS WEEK

Mon 28th 5-6pm Rainbows at St Francis School
Mon 28th 6-7.30pm Brownies at St Francis School
Mon 28th 7.30-9pm Guides at St Francis School
Mon 28th 7pm Baptism course in the Parish Centre
Tues 29th 3.45pm Kumon in the Parish Centre
Weds 30th 9.30am Slimming World in Parish Centre
Weds 30th 7.30pm Youth Club meet at UR Church Hall
Weds 30th 7.30pm Video in Parish Centre (see below)
Thurs 1st 9.30am Weight Watchers in Parish Centre
Thurs 1st 10am Mothers' Prayer Group at St John's
Thurs 1st 5.30pm Slimming World in Parish Centre
Thurs 1st 7.30pm Faith sharing in the Presbytery
Thurs 1st 7.30pm SVP meet in the Meeting Room
Sat 3rd 9.45am Kumon in Parish Centre

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.

October Devotions

Please remember to say the Rosary or part of it for peace in the world and for happiness in our homes. We will say the Rosary after Mass at St John's on Thursday and Saturdays and before Mass on Tuesdays in Oct.

Free Wills Month starts October 1st

CAFOD has joined with nine other charities to offer those aged over 55 a Will written by participating local solicitors free of charge. Please see leaflet in porch.

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 next weekend 3-5th October. If you have any flowers in your garden please hand them in to the convent on Friday afternoon. Thank you.

Family Mass – St Peter's 10.30am 4th October

The children and youth will be participating in the Mass when the theme will be celebrating the harvest and St Francis' feast day. We would like lots of young people and children to come to the Mass so we can raise the roof in thanksgiving for the harvest and to St Francis. Please also join us for a shared plate in the Parish Centre afterwards. Contributions can be left in the kitchen before Mass. (The Children's Liturgy Group)

All Night Vigil for the visit of the relics of St Thérèse

Commencing 11pm 5th Oct until 7.30am 6th Oct at St Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham, with dawn Mass at 6.30am. Please see poster for more information.

If you would like a lift to the Cathedral to pray at the relics please contact Tony Garrett on 565341.

Churches Together in Melton Mowbray

A Rich Person, Poor Person Supper for "One World Week" with entertainment by "Close Harmony", takes place at Sage Cross Methodist Church on Sat 17th Oct at 7pm, Tickets £5 available today (and until 11th Oct).

Christmas Fair

Please note the Christmas Fair will be on Saturday 28th November at the Working Men's Club from 10am to 2pm

Catholic 2010 Diary

Available today – donations for CAFOD if you wish.

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.

Head Teacher Vacancy

The Governors of St Philip Neri with St Bede Catholic Primary School, Mansfield need a committed practising Catholic Head Teacher for Jan/April 2010. Please see poster. Closing date: noon 6th October.

Parish Magazine

Please email articles to dolores.harvey@ntlworld.com or send them to 1, College Avenue, MM, by Friday 16th October, just before the half term. Thank you very much.

God Bless You All – Fr Jim