

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 seventh Sunday of the Year – 4th October 2009 (Year B Readings) Week 3 of Psalter

	<u>Time</u>	<u>Church</u>	<u>Mass Intentions</u>	<u>Readers</u>
Sat 3rd	6.00pm	Convent	Vigil Mass for St Francis (Patronal Feast Day) Eilish Dickinson's Intentions Harvest Mass of Thanksgiving	P Dark P Lee Dominic/Rumbi
Sun 4th	9.00am	St John's	Sick and housebound Harvest Mass and St Francis Feast Day	
	10.30am	St Peter's	Parishioners' Intentions	<u>Welcomers</u>
	5.00pm	St John's	Novena to St Thérèse of Lisieux & Benediction	M Barker
	6.00pm	St Peter's	Reception of the body of John Lynch RIP	Sr Baptista & M Bryning
			Blessed Robert Sutton, Anthony Turner, George Douglas and Martyrs of Leicestershire	
Mon 5th	7.45am	Convent	Mrs Margaret Murphy RIP (anniversary)	
	10.30am	St Peter's	Funeral Mass for John Lynch RIP	
			ST BRUNO	<u>Cleaners</u>
Tues 6th	9.30am	St John's	Sisters' Intentions	Mrs Loj
	(followed by refreshments)			Mrs Curley
	10.45-12noon	St John's	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
			OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY	
Weds 7th	12.20pm	Convent	Andy and Martha McManus (60 th wedding anniversary)	
	8.00pm	Convent House	Holy Hour	
				<u>Counters</u>
Thurs 8th	9.30am	St John's	Mrs O'Connell's Intentions	This week C Next week D
			SS DENIS & Companions	
Fri 9th	7.45am	Convent	Danny Danaher RIP	
			St Paulinus and Anglo-Saxon saints of our Diocese	
Sat 10th	9.00am	St John's	Kathleen Thornton RIP	<u>Welcomers</u>
	9.30-12 noon	St John's	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Mrs Cardwell
	11.30am	St John's	Confessions	J Cuttill & family
	5.15-5.45pm	Convent	Confessions followed by Rosary at 5.40pm	

Twenty eighth Sunday of the Year – 11th October 2009 (Year B Readings) Week 4 of Psalter

	6.00pm	Convent	Victor Kren RIP	<u>Readers</u>
Sun 11th	9.00am	St John's	Parishioners' Intentions	J Dolan
	10.30am	St Peter's	Mrs Nora Lenehan RIP (anniversary)	J Chisnall Gemma/Colette

With confidence and love (from the writings of St Thérèse)

Yes, I feel it; even though I had on my conscience all the sins that can be committed, I would go, my heart broken with sorrow, and throw myself into Jesus' arms, for I know how much He loves the prodigal child who returns to Him. It is not because God, in His anticipating Mercy, has preserved my soul from mortal sin that I go to Him with confidence and love.

Thérèse, teach us how to open our hearts without reserve to the Holy Spirit as you did, to seek and find God's will in all the crises and choices, in the joys and disappointments, of our lives.

Gain for us too the grace to do His will with courage and untroubled hearts so that we may radiate a joy and a gladness like yours in the service of Our Lord.

May we, like you, work to build up the body of Christ throughout the world, so that the lost sheep may experience the mercy of God and return to the Father's embrace. Amen.

The Holy Father's Mission Intention for October: that all the people of God may eagerly assume their missionary responsibility – the highest service to humankind.

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: 2003 Elizabeth Shelton; 2004 Ronald Starbuck; 2005 Mary Hanlon. And all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Collection: Week commencing 27th September 2009: Loose £162.11; Envelopes £388.35; Standing Orders £325

Second Collection for Franciscan Missions: £51.76

Thank you for your generosity.

Second Collection this weekend for CAFOD Harvest Fast Day

THIS WEEK

Mon 5th 5-6pm Rainbows at St Francis School
Mon 5th 6-7.30pm Brownies at St Francis School
Mon 5th 7.30-9pm Guides at St Francis School
Tues 6th 3.45pm Kumon in the Parish Centre
Tues 6th 7.30pm Confirmation catechists in Presbytery
Tues 6th 8pm Mothers' Prayers Samworth Centre
Weds 7th 9.30am Slimming World in Parish Centre
Weds 7th 7.30pm Youth Club meet at UR Church Hall
Weds 7th 7.30pm SPUC meet in St Peter's Sacristy
Weds 7th 7.30pm Video in Parish Centre (see below)
Thurs 8th 9.30am Weight Watchers in Parish Centre
Thurs 8th 5.30pm Slimming World in Parish Centre
Thurs 8th 7.30pm Faith sharing in the Presbytery
Sat 10th 9.45am Kumon in Parish Centre

Diamond Wedding Anniversary

Many congratulations and prayers to Andy and Martha McManus on their 60th wedding anniversary.

Sympathy

A great shock went around the parish last Sunday on news of the sudden death of John Lynch. John was a very loving and kind gentleman who will be sadly missed. Sincerest sympathy and prayers are extended to his beloved family. May he rest in peace.

Family Mass – St Peter's 10.30am this Sunday

The children will be participating in the Mass when the theme is celebrating the harvest and St Francis' feast day. We welcome you to this great celebration of thanksgiving. Please join us for a shared plate in the Parish Centre afterwards. (The Children's Liturgy Group)

Catholic Diocesan Paper available today

Articles include the Diocesan Youth Service Golf Tournament; The Briars Open Day; young people's visit to Lourdes as helpers; the first Franciscan woman and the Diocesan diary for October-December.

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 holding an "Arts and Flower Festival" in the convent chapel this weekend 3-5th October. Hope you can attend this celebration.

The visit of the relics of St Thérèse to the Cathedral

Visits can be made on Mon 5th Oct from 5pm but not during the 7pm Mass. There will be an all night vigil of prayer commencing at 11pm with a dawn Mass at 6.30am on 6th Oct. Please see poster on church door for details. I hope that those who can will do their best to pray at the relics of St Thérèse on this historic visit.

Video on "Knowing Jesus as Lord"

Please come along to the Parish Centre on Weds 7th October 7.30pm if you would like to watch this video.

SPUC Meeting Wednesday 7th October

All welcome at 7.30pm in St Peter's Sacristy. We need your help to protect the unborn and the elderly.

Street Collection result – Many thanks to all who helped in the town centre last Saturday. The total raised was £429.19 an increase on last year. A great result!

Open Day and Bursaries at Ratcliffe College

There will be an open morning on Saturday 10th Oct. The college offers four places annually at year 7 entry point, to children whose parents cannot realistically afford private education. Please see posters for details.

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.

Has your youngest just started secondary school?

If so, you will no longer receive your Community News Magazine through school. If you would like to still have a copy, please send your name and address as soon as possible to Rebecca Price rebecca.price@pera.com or 10 Cotswold Close, Melton Mowbray.

Annual Altar Servers' Mass at Nottingham Cathedral

Please arrive at 11.30am for 12noon Mass on Saturday 17th October and bring a picnic lunch.

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).

MacMillan Cancer Care

There will be a coffee morning and a chance to knit a blanket square for the MacMillan Cancer Care Comfort Blanket Project (or sew some together) on Sat 24th Oct 10.30am-1pm, 10 Cotswold Close MM If you can't knit or sew – come along and drink coffee or buy raffle tickets!

Christmas Fair

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

God Bless You All – Fr Jim