

Eccl. 27: 4-7

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind,
so too the defects of man appear in his talk.

The kiln tests the work of the potter,
the test of man is in his conversation.
The orchard where the tree grows is judged by the quality of its fruit,
similarly a man's words betray what he feels.
Do not praise a man before he has spoken,
since this is the test of man.

Psalm response:

It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.

1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord
to make music to your name, O Most High,
to proclaim your love in the morning
and your truth in the watches of the night.
R/.

2. The just will flourish like the palm tree
and grow like a Lebanon cedar. **R/.**

3. Planted in the house of the Lord
they will flourish in the courts of our God,
still bearing fruit when they are old,
still full of sap, still green,
to proclaim that the Lord is just.
In him, my rock, there is no wrong. **R/.**

1 Cor. 15: 54-58

When this perishable nature has put in imperishability and when this mortal nature has put on immortality, then the words of scripture come true: Death is swallowed up in victory. Death, where is your victory? Death where is your sting? Now the sting of death is sin and sin gets its power from the Law. So let us thank God for giving us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Never give in then, my dear brothers, never admit defeat; keep on working at the Lord's work always, knowing that in the Lord, you cannot be labouring in vain.

*Alleluia, alleluia!
Open our hearts, O Lord,
to accept the words of your Son.
Alleluia!*

Luke 6: 39-45

Jesus told a parable to his disciples. 'Can one blind man guide another? Surly both will fall into a pit? The disciple is not superior to his teacher; the fully trained disciple will always be like his teacher. Why do you observe the splinter in your brother's eye and never notice the plank in your own? How can you say to your brother, "Brother, let me take out the splinter that is in your eye," when you cannot see the plank in your own? Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye first and then you will see clearly enough to take out the splinter that is in your brother's eye. There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit. For every tree can be told by its own fruit; people do not pick figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from brambles. A good man draws from the store of goodness in his heart; a bad man draws what is bad from the store of badness. For a man's words flow out from what is in his heart.'



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Sunday 3rd. March 2019
Eighth Sunday of the Year
Eucharistic Prayer 2
Psalter Week 4 - Weekday Series 1

SAT. 2nd.	6.00 pm.	Mass	People of the Parish
SUN. 3rd.	10.00 am.	Mass	Private intention
MON. 4th.	Feria 10.00 am.	Mass	Deceased Relatives/Friends List
TUES. 5th.	Feria 10.00 am.	Mass	Thanksgiving (MNB)
WED. 6th.	Ash Wednesday 10.00am. 7.00pm.	Mass Mass	Pope's Intentions Holy Souls
THURS. 7th.	Lenten Feria 7.00 pm.	Mass	Thanksgiving (GSB)
FRI. 8th.	Lenten Feria 10.00am. <i>Stations of the Cross</i>	Mass	Special Intention
SAT. 9th.	Lenten Feria 10.00 am.	Mass	Norah & Vincent Conroy RIP

Sunday 10th. March
First Sunday of Lent

SAT. 9th.	6.00pm.	Mass	Private Intention
SUN. 10th.	10.00 am.	Mass	People of the Parish

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Woodhall Spa - Sat. 10.30 am. - 11.00 am.
Horncastle Sat. 5.30 pm. - 5.50 pm.
or on request.

Baptism : By arrangement with the priest.

Marriage: Six months notice - at least.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Christine Ward and those whose anniversaries occur about this time. May they rest in peace.

Our prayer and sympathy to Bernadette and family on the death of David, husband, father and brother, last Sunday night. May he rest in peace.

Please pray for those who are ill: Francis Roche, Maria Richardson, Andy Maher, Christopher Browne, Laurence, Janet Cashman, June Daniels, Raven Smith, Stephen Brennan, Eunice Dearie, Carol & Richard Downer Mary Archer, David Waller, Joan Smith, Sylvia Berry, Mary Ashton, Michael Follows, Pat Roberts and Sean Devlin.

Finance:

Envelopes: £ 168.01 Loose: £234.85 Standing orders: £78.92

Total: £481.78 Thank you.

CAFOD Lenten Family Fast Day: Friday, 15th March

PLEASE NOTE: During the season of Lent, we will say the Apostles Creed instead of the Nicene Creed.

Deanery meeting: Thursday, 4th March – Safeguarding Training – in Market Rasen at 11.00am

First Sunday Coffee — This Sunday there will be cake for sale, 50p. per slice/cake with the usual tea & coffee.

First Tuesdays - We meet this Tuesday 5th. March at 2.30pm. in the hall to chat about life in general or any specific topic you care to raise. tea/coffee & cake/biscuits.

World Day of Prayer in Horncastle will be held at 2pm. on **Friday 8th. March** in Horncastle Methodist Chapel, Queen St. All welcome.

Rosmini Centre Saturday 9th March, 2.00 - 4.30 pm. **Deacon David Knight**, Lead Chaplain in Lincoln Hospital Trust '**God in my life: Invitation, Mission and Gratitude**'. Please contact if you are coming, 01509 813078 or djtobinic@gmail.com. (Directions: *half mile north of Ratcliffe College on A46, entrance is on the left just before the black&white speed camera sign*)

The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales wish to alert EU citizens to the action they need to take should they wish to remain in this country after Brexit. Official information on the Settlement Scheme can be found at:-

gov.uk/settled-status-eu-citizens-families

Various information resources are available at:

gov.uk/government/publications/eu-settlement-scheme-communityleaders-toolkit

LINCOLN DEANERY PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND 4th - 11th November 2020

Fr Matthew Jakes is planning a pilgrimage to the Holy Land for **2020** and he hopes that some of you will be able to make the pilgrimage with him. The cost per person is £1,000.00 and includes: return flights Luton - Tel Aviv; five nights half board at the 4* Hotel Bethlehem - two nights half board at the Hotel Tiberius. (Single room supplement of £250.00). On the pilgrimage we will visit the birthplaces of Jesus Christ, and St John the Baptist, the Mount of Olives, the Garden of Gethsemane, Golgotha and the tomb of our Lord, go on a boat ride across the Sea of Galilee etc. If you are interested in going please let Fr Matthew know either by email: office@sthughslincoln.org.uk or telephone: 01522528961.

If you would like a copy of the itinerary please let him know. Thank you.

Churches Without Walls”

Centering Prayer & Contemplative Meditation: Open to All

We will meet from 7.00pm till 9.00pm on **Tuesday 5th. & 26th. March** thereafter every 1st & 4th (not 5th) Tuesday of each month, at the **Lions Den, 26A, Silver Street, Coningsby, LN4 4SG. Free parking** available in Silver Street Car Park. Coming out onto Silver Street, driveway entrance to Lions Den bungalow is across the road, between Ginger Cow Coffee Shop and Doctor's Surgery.

“Come and see!” (Jn 1:39,46;4:29)

“Churches Without Walls” : Programme.

We are exploring “Centering Prayer”, “Lectio Divina”, and “The Cloud of Unknowing”, in relation to each other, leading into a **silent** session of “Contemplative Prayer”.

“Intercessory Prayer” may be offered, **on request.**

Deacon James' email: james.hunter200@btinternet.com

Community Larder

Thank you to all who donated to the Community Larder during the Christmas season, there would have been many happy faces on Christmas morning.

There have been many reports of an increase in numbers requesting help from around the country and Lincolnshire is no exception. All the donations from our parish are delivered each week to the community hall in Horncastle to be distributed to those in need, including families in Woodhall Spa. All non-perishable foods are welcome, but particularly tinned meat and vegetables (saves cooking costs) toiletries and washing powder.

Thank you again for your continued support and generosity.

Catholic paper snippets:

- The BBC is launching a year of religious programming examining how faith is shaping and dividing modern Britain. *A Year of Beliefs* will delve into the current convictions of UK citizens, and their attitudes as well as the pressing moral dilemmas of our time. New programmes will explore how the personal and religious views of modern medicine, sexuality, parenthood and extremism are dividing society along new fault lines. *All papers (1/2)*
- As Venezuela's economic crisis deepened, three Catholic Church groups, including the bishops, issued a communique calling on the authorities to allow access to humanitarian aid 'as a means of mitigating the impact of the crisis on the most vulnerable of the people.' The statement condemned 'the growing, politically motivated repression, the violation of human rights and the elective and arbitrary detentions.' The groups praised those involved in defending human rights despite threats to their safety. *The Catholic Times (15/2)*
- Facebook has allegedly refused to run advertisements for the film *Roe v Wade* which is the story of the landmark decision issued in 1973 by the US Supreme Court resulting in abortion being decriminalised. The film contains a pro-life message leading to Pro-life groups claiming censorship of their arguments posing the question as to whether all films which contain a political bias will be denied advertising. *The Universe (1/2)*

Calendar note:

May you live all the days of your life.