

Fiat!

Dear Faithful,

19<sup>th</sup> March is the Feastday of Saint Joseph during the year dedicated to this saint. So it might be a good thing to pray a novena for his protection of the Church at this time. The novena would run from the 10<sup>th</sup> March to the 18<sup>th</sup> March.

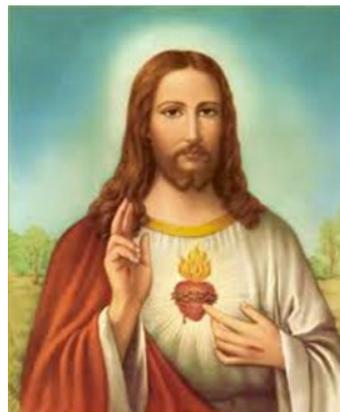
There are many good prayers to Saint Joseph that one could use but I particularly like the following:

*To you, O Blessed Joseph, we come in our trials, and having asked the help of your most holy spouse, we confidently ask your patronage also. Through that sacred bond of charity which united you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the fatherly love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you to look graciously upon the beloved inheritance which Jesus Christ purchased by his blood, and to aid us in our necessities with your power and strength.*

O most provident guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ. Most beloved father, dispel the evil of falsehood and sin. Our most mighty protector, graciously assist us from heaven in our struggle with the powers of darkness. And just as you once saved the Child Jesus from mortal danger, so now defend God's Holy Church from the snares of her enemies and from all adversity. Shield each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your help, we may be able to live a virtuous life, to die a holy death, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. Amen.

Also see a very interesting article by Fr Donald Calloway MIC "Now is the time to consecrate yourself to Saint Joseph. His book on Saint Joseph is excellent.

God bless, Fr. Dominic



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Day	Date	Prayer Time	Place	Liturgical Calendar	Mass Intention
<b>Sunday</b>	7	<b>9.00am 11.00am 3.00pm</b>	<b>SP SK Pol</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Lent</b>	Pro populo
Monday	8			Lenten Feria	Barbara Thanksgvn
Tuesday	9	12.00 noon	<b>SP</b>	Lenten Feria	Jane Wright's Intn
Wednesday	10	10.00am	<b>SK</b>	Lenten Feria	Col Walker
Thursday	11	10.00am	<b>SK</b>	Adoration / Feria	NDL
Friday	12	5.00pm 6.00pm	<b>SK</b>	Stations of the Cross Lenten Feria	P+W Peachey
Saturday	13		<b>SK</b>		NDL
<b>Sunday</b>	14	<b>9.00am 11.00am 3.00pm</b>	<b>SP SK Pol</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent</b>	Pro populo Mg Monahan RIP

SP = Spilsby SK = Skegness Pol = Polish Mass at Skegness

**SUNDAYS YEAR B GOSPEL OF SAINT MARK WEEKDAYS: CYCLE 1**

### Prayers

Rita Natale RIP

Ray Flaherty RIP

Shirley Holland RIP

Janet Enderby end of life prayers.

Remember especially those in our care homes who cannot receive visitors at the moment.

### Stations of the Cross

Spilsby: Zoom stations from St.James. (Please see Mary if you would like a link)

Skegness: 5.00pm Friday

### Second Collections

2nd April Holy Places

### **Divine Will Formation Group**

March 2<sup>nd</sup> 8.00pm Zoom Let Father know if you would like an invitation

**Bishop Patrick's Lenten Talks** - You are invited to join Bishop Patrick and people from across the diocese this Lent in reflecting on our relationship with God. To be a disciple of Jesus means to know and love him, but to also know we are known and loved by him too. Bishop Patrick will give two talks on Zoom exploring God's Love for us and how we can respond to it.

1. **Knowing the Heart of God** (clearing false images of God that we may carry around with us) - Thursday 11th March, at 7pm

2) **Knowing the Love of God** (understanding our identity as God's sons and daughters) - Thursday 25th March, at 7pm.

Each talk will include input from Bishop Patrick, a time for questions and answers, and small group discussion. You can register for one or both talks on the diocesan website: [www.dioceseofnottingham.uk](http://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk)

### **NOTES ON LITURGY**

**For services at Spilsby:** Please contact either: Mary Flynn 01790 754563 or Patrick Doyle 01507 481072

**For Services at Skegness:**

**For Sunday and Wednesday** Please contact Jacinta as follows: 01754 820644 email: [jacintalewis21@aol.com](mailto:jacintalewis21@aol.com) Friday is not booked.

### **Pope Francis proclaims "Year of St Joseph"**

With the Apostolic Letter "Patris corde" ("With a Father's Heart"), Pope Francis recalls the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the occasion, the Holy Father has proclaimed a "Year of Saint Joseph" from today, 8 December 2020, to 8 December 2021.

### **CONFESSION and/or need to speak to Father**

Please ring and book a time. Normally Father will be around in the church at the weekend times if you just simply want to catch him.

### **Prayer outside of normal times**

Sometimes people will have an urgent need to visit the Church, light a candle and say a prayer. If this is the case again please give me a ring and it can be easily arranged. Even in lockdown, priests are available to help, absolve and fortify so please feel free to contact me.

### **A Couple of Reminders**

If you have been to Church and subsequently contract the coronavirus could you please let myself or one of the stewards know so that we can notify the attendees.

The Sunday obligation by the authority of Bishop Patrick is still not in force which means you are not obliged to attend Sunday mass or an holiday of obligation.

If the priest is singing only the choir should make the responses and not the congregation.

Many thanks.