

**HEATH & SAFETY INSPECTION:** of the parish: We are awaiting notification of the new date after the one planned a few weeks ago was cancelled after one of the inspectors contracted coronavirus.

**PEACE SUNDAY.** Prayers today for peace.

**CHURCH UNITY SERVICE:** planned in Spilsby for Thursday, 20th January at 12.00 noon, WILL NOW NOT TAKE PLACE. All of the Church Unity services in Spilsby, have been **POSTPONED** by the organising group until after Pentecost: a number of the communities had withdrawn for the dates planned in Church Unity Week **WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY:** is celebrated in the week leading up to the feast of the conversion of St. Paul, (18th-25th January). I shall say a Mass for Christian Unity, but with the weekday readings, in Spilsby on Tuesday and in Skegness on Wednesday, as we all echo Our Lord's prayer, that they may all be one" (Jn. 17: 20-21).

**SYNOD ON SYNODALITY, DEANERY MEETING:** Thanks to those who replied to the various questions posed for the consultations in parishes as part of the preparation for the Synod of Bishops, to take place in Rome in 2023 and to Stephen Duffy and to Cathy Topliss for their help in collating the information. They will come to the Deanery meeting on 20th Jan., where the Deanery will examine the responses across the deanery There will be a Mass in the Cathedral on 22nd February to launch the phase of the diocese as a whole and there will be a 'roadshow', where the bishop and other diocesan officials will come to the deaneries—for our deanery on 31st March.

**THE DEANERY:** There is much talk of making deaneries larger, to make them more effective; there is a serious proposal for the present south Lincolnshire (Boston) deanery to be joined to the Grantham deanery, going as far as Melton Mowbray.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:** meets on Tuesday at Sacred Hear at 6.00 p.m. We shall be receiving an update on safeguarding, considering Christian Unity week, the Synod process, pastoral care in the pandemic.

**SICK AND RETIRED CLERGY FUND:** 2nd collection next week for this fund, to support clergy of our diocese in these situations.

God bless. Fr. G.J. Woodall.



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Day	Date	Time	Place	Liturgical Calendar	Mass Intention
Saturday	15	6.00pm	SK	(Vigil)	Watson family, RIP
Sun.	16	9.00am 11.00am 3.15pm	SP SK SK	2nd Sunday of the Year- C (Polish)	Lucy-Ann Lumb & Madeline Blakey RIP People of the Parish
Mon.	17	10.00am	SK	St. Anthony Abbot	Dillon family ints.
Tues.	18	9.45am 12 noon	SK SP	Feria	Adoration Special int.
Wed.	19	10.00am 7.00pm	SK SP	St. Wulfstan	Tess & Jn Bailey RIP Can EmilPuttmann RIP
Thurs.	20	10.00am	SK	St. Sebastian	Fr. Dennis Higgins RIP
Fri.	21	6.00pm	SK	St. Agnes	Dead List
Sat.	22	6.00pm	SK	(Vigil)	Dead List
Sun.	23	9.00am 11.00am 3.15pm 4.30pm	SP SK SK SK	3rd Sunday of the Year - C (Polish) (Tridentine)	Les Osborne, RIP People of the Parish Private int.

**LITURGY** For services at Spilsby: Please contact either: Mary Flynn 01790 754563 or Patrick Doyle 01507 481072 For Services at Skegness: For Sundays please contact Please contact Jacinta as follows: 01754 820644 email: jacintalewis21@aol.com

**SOME REMINDERS RE COVID.** If you have been to Church and subsequently contract the coronavirus, please notify me or one of the steward. Singing is permitted only when wearing a mask. The **latest instructions from the diocese**, as of 10th Dec., in the light of the government's directions, are that, in places of worship:

- 1. Masks must be worn.**
- 2. Social distancing must be maintained.**
- 3. Ventilation must be ensured before/ during ceremonies.**
- 4. Hands, seats and other surfaces must be sanitised.**

Please, observe these strictly, for the safety of all.

**THE OBLIGATION OF SUNDAY MASS.:** The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and on holidays of obligation (or the Vigil Mass the evening before) is the way we are to keep holy the Day of the Lord, the minimum we should do. This duty does not apply if we are physically incapable of attending Mass, such as when we are in hospital or when there is a real moral impossibility of attending, eg where someone could reach the church physically, but would put their health or that of others at serious risk; hence to does not bind strictly in the pandemic. Hence, a person should not come to church if they have the virus, are very ill or compromised in their health, or cannot risk exposing relatives in such a condition to real added danger. Those unable to come to Mass should follow Mass on the television or radio until they are able to come in person. However, if people can go to the supermarket, to work, etc., then they can and should come to Mass. People are better protected in our churches than they are in many shops or even on public transport, in that sanitising is more frequent, distancing more secure, and masks are worn by most.

God bless Fr. G.J. Woodall.

**DONATION FROM POLISH COMMUNITY:** Fr. Stanislaw Kowalski, Chaplain to the Polish community in South Lincolnshire, who celebrates Mass at Sacred Heart every Sunday afternoon, told me that he would be receiving into full communion with the Catholic Church at Christmas the husband of one of the community. He mentioned that they wished to make a donation to Sacred Heart from the Polish community. Fr. Stanislaw asked if there was something in particular we needed, that could be the gift of the Polish community. In fact, I had ordered a green tabernacle veil, since it is the only colour we are lacking at Sacred Heart; it is due to come some time soon and will cost about £230-00. The couple and Fr. Stanislaw were very happy that the money should be used for this purpose, with an identifiable gift which the Polish people can recognise and which will symbolise their sharing in our life in the parish. I have received a donation for £300-00 from the community via Fr. Stanislaw and have written to him to express our gratitude for this generosity.

**SPUC WHITE FLOWER APPEAL: today, 15th-16th January;** see posters . The Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child has striven for years to do all that is possible politically to defend the basic right to life of the most defenceless of human beings, the unborn child. They have kept this tragic and central reality before our eyes and those of our country in the face of abortion, of the reality of threats of euthanasia, also of the unborn, which have plagued our society for more than fifty years. The need for their work in challenging the consciences of our people and of our politicians and hence of doing what we can to defend God's gift of human life in the most frail remains great. Please, give what you can to support their work in today's second collection.

<b>Collection:</b>	Skegness	Spilsby	Total INCOME: <u>9th Jan., 2022.</u>
Gift Aid: £		£120-00	= £
Loose: £		£ 2-50	= £
Total: £		£122-50	= £
<b>Other:</b>			

Thank you very much.