**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.

**FOOD INSPECTION, SKEGNESS**: There is to be a food inspection in Skegness in the near future, we have been informed this week.

**RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY**. Next Sunday is Racial Justice Sunday. We pray and work for full respect for everyone, regardless of race or colour, since all of us are created in the image and likeness of God and hence as fundamentally equal, all the baptised share equally in the dignity of the adopted sons and daughters of God, and all of us are called to communion in Christ in heaven, through the universal call to holiness.

CHURCH UNITY SERVICE: planned in Spilsby for Thursday, 20th January at 12.00 noon, <u>WILL NOW NOT TAKE PLACE</u>. All of the Church Unity services in Spilsby, have been <u>POSTPONED</u> by the organising group until after Pentecost: a number of the communities had withdrawn for the dates planned in Church Unity Week

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY, DEANERY MEETING: Thanks again 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. The Deanery meeting on 20th Jan. examined responses across the deanery, with interesting perspectives from Spalding-Holbeach after a major bequest, which has given rise to an important local project, from a new RAF chaplain, as well as many common features expressed also from the parishes. There will be Vespers 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 talk of making deaneries larger, to make them more effective; there is a proposal to join our south Lincolnshire (Boston) deanery with Grantham deanery, up to Melton Mowbray.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:** met last Tuesday: It considered safeguarding, Christian Unity week, the Synod process, pastoral care in the pandemic—see these items in the Bulletin.

**SICK AND RETIRED CLERGY FUND**: 2nd collection this 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	22	6.00pm	SK	(Vigil)	Dead List
Sun.	23	9.00am	SP	3rd Sunday of the	Les Osborne, RIP
		11.00am	SK	Year- C	People of the Parish
		3.15pm	SK	(Polish)	
		4.30pm	SK	(Tridentine)	Private int.
Mon.	24	10.00am	SK	St. Francis de Sales	Special int.
Tues.	25	10.00am	SK	Conversion of St.	Fr. Dominic Byrne, RIP
		12 noon	SP	Paul	Mary Clark, RIP
Wed.	26	10.00am		Sts. Timothy & Titus	FrDesmond BockerRIP
		7.00pm	SP		Sarah Meakin, RIP
Thurs.	27	10.00am	SK	Feria	Tess & Jn Barley, RIP
Fri.	28	6.00pm	SK	St. Thomas Aquinas	Private int.
Sat.	29				
		6.00pm	SK	(Vigil)	People of the Parish
Sun.	30	9.00am	SP	4th Sunday of the	Mark Geddes - ill
		11.00am		Year - C	Chacko Luka, RIP
		3.15pm	SK	(Polish)	

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**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. Although there is to be a relaxation of rules by the government, with effect from 26th January, we still have a serious duty of care to one another and especially to the more vulnerable among us. For this reason, I would ask you all to continue to ensure that:

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

Thank you for your cooperation in our care 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.

**SAFEGUARDING:** Many thanks to Judy Lumb for speaking to the Parish Pastoral Council, up-dating us on the 'one Church' approach in the country, with new structures and policies to protect children and others which have been developed and introduced nationally and which are being applied in the diocese, for her work in up-dating DBS checks on volunteers in the parish - and thanks to all of these for their collaboration.

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 the husband of one of the community, received into full communion at Christmas, wished to make a donation to Sacred Heart from the Polish community. Fr. Stanislaw and this gentleman were very happy that the money be used a green tabernacle veil, the only colour we are lacking at Sacred Heart, which I had already ordered, costing about £230-00. The donation for £300-00 from the Polish community via Fr. Stanislaw will thus be used for this purpose. When the veil arrives, we shall arrange a ceremony together to mark this very kind gift, a sign of the collaboration between our communities.

**SPUC WHITE FLOWER APPEAL:** Very many thanks for your most generous offerings for the collection for the Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child.

THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: First of all, those I have met in the last week or so wish to express their deep gratitude to the parish for the prayers, greetings and wonderful hampers they received at Christmas. Many thanks to you all for your generosity and in particular to Sandy for purchasing and for wrapping and preparing the gifts. It has always been my practice to organise a Mass of the Sick on or near the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, 11th February. It will not be possible to do this in the pandemic, since most of those concerned will be especially vulnerable. I shall go to them all around that time and shall administer the Sacrament of the Sick to them, sustained by the prayers of all.

Collection	ı: Sk	egness	Spilsby	Total	INCOME: 9th Jan., 2022.			
Gift Aid:	£ 20-00		£120-00	=£140-00				
Loose:	£ 82-00		£ 2-50	=£ 84-50				
Total:	£102-00		£122-50	= £144-50	= £144-50			
Other: Cri	ib offerin	gs (Mary'	= $\pounds$ 3-20 = Total: £147-70.					
Collection:	Gift Aid	l: £10-00	£ 95-00	=£105-00	INCOME: 16th Jan., 2022.			
	Loose:	£58-15	£ 41-00	=£ 95-15				
	Total:	£68-15	£136-00	= £204-15	= £204-15			
Other: Ma	ss offerin	gs. £20-0	= £40-00					
Special co	llection	: SPUC:	= £312-83 $=$ Total: £556-98.					
Thank you very much.								