

FOOD BANKS: The Food Bank in Spilsby has been operating for some time, that in Skegness had not resumed in the parish after the Covid outbreak. It is proposed to begin this once again in a couple of weeks' time, liaising with the Storehouse in Skegness. We shall need volunteers to take collected items (tinned and other NON-PERISHABLE foods) to the Storehouse. Please, let me know if you are willing to help in that capacity.. Thank you all in anticipation for your help towards those most vulnerable.

ALTAR CLOTHS: Our most sincere thanks go to those who, both in Skegness and in Spilsby, paid for the two new Altar cloths for both churches. The donors wish to remain anonymous, but we are very grateful to them for their kindness and generosity.

POLICY DOCUMENTS: We are obliged to have a series of official policies in each parish, adapted to the parish circumstances. These will be posted in the next few weeks on new notice boards, put up for this purpose, in both churches and in the hall (SK).

PLEASE NOTE: Scripture readings for Sunday Mass and the PAGE number in the Missal will be given in the Bulletin - on the top right of the liturgical chart.

DEANERY MEETING: On Thursday last, 24th Nov., the meeting of the new Deanery took place in Spalding. The Deanery had agreed to sponsor a person from the parish in Oakham to go to the next World Youth Day. The costs would be divided between the diocese and the parishes of each deanery, the larger parishes being asked to pay £100-00 and the smaller parishes , such as ours, £50-00. There was quite some discussion about possible fund raising by the diocese and/ or a diocesan levy on parish income, concerned with a) the renovation of the cathedral (and perhaps also cathedral hall and and perhaps also Willson House, the former curia building) and b) the mission of the diocese in general.

NEW LECTORY: We have been informed that the new Lectionary (books of Scripture readings for the Liturgy), using a new translation from the Revised Standard Version of the Bible, has been approved at the level of the Bishops' Conference and has been sent to the Holy See for its approval. It should be available, if all goes well, next summer and it should start being used in our churches from the First Sunday of Advent of 2023.



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Day	Date	Time	Place	2nd Sunday of Advent- A Liturgical Calendar	Is.11:1-10; Rom. 15:;-9; Mt. 3: 1-12 p. 5. Mass Intention
Saturday	3	6.00pm	SK	St. Francis Xavier Vigil	People of the Parish
Sun.	4	9.00am 11.00am 3.15pm	SP SK (Polish)		Private int. Tony Leneghan, RIP
Mon.	5	10.00am	SK	Feria	Phil Maree - ill
Tues.	6	9.45am 12.00noon	SK SP	Feria	Adoration Joan Fletcher's ints.
Wed.	7	10.00am 7.00pm	SK SP	St. Ambrose	Jen Lee, RIP Tom O'Gorman, RIP
Thurs.	8	10.00am 12.00noon	SK SP	Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Sheila O'Sullivan, RIP People of the Parish
.Fri.	9	6.00pm	SK	Feria	William Gerard Nelson - ill
Sat.	10	6.00pm	SK	Vigil	Deb Jackman - ill
Sun.	11	9.00am 11.00am 3.15pm 4.30pm	SP SK (Polish) (Tridentine)	3rd Sunday of Advent- A	People of the Parish May & Tom Hennessy, RIP Peter Vellacott, RIP

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: James Whittle, Elizabeth Blythe, Angela Davis, Gwen Rigby, Joan Fletcher and Deb Jackman, and for Beryl Buswell and Peter William Vellacott who have died; may they rest in peace.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY: Although not a holyday of obligation in England, the major feast day of the Church in some real way marks the beginning of God's action in Christ for our salvation. If you can come to Mass on that day, that would be very good.

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS PROGRAMME:

Fri. 23rd Dec.	Mass 10.00 a.m. Confessions 11.00 a.m.- 12.00 noon SK
Christmas Eve (24th)	Mass 10.00 a.m. Confessions 11.00 a.m.-12.00 noon SP
	Office of Readings & Midnight Mass 8.00 p.m. SK
Christmas Day: (25th)	Mass at Dawn 9.00 a.m. SP
	Mass during the Day 11.00 a.m. SK
St. Stephen's Day (26th)	Mass 10.00 a.m. SK
St. John the Evangelist (27th) Mass	10.00 a.m. SP
Holy Innocents (28th)	Mass 10.00 a.m. SK
	Carol service 3.00 p.m. SP
Mary, Mother of God	
(31st Vigil)	Mass
	(with <i>Te Deum</i> to thank God for the year past)
	6.00 p.m. SK
(New Year's Day 1st Jan.)	Mass 9.00 a.m. SP
	Mass 11.00 a.m. SK
Epiphany (6th)	Mass 7.00 p.m. SP
	Mass 10.00 a.m. SK
	Mass 12.00 noon SP
	Mass 7.00 p.m. SK
Sat. (7th) Parish Meal Windmill, Burgh-le-Marsh	12.00 noon
God bless. Fr. G.J. Woodall.	

THE HALL: please join us for tea & coffee after 11.00 a.m. Mass.

GIFT AID: This is a way for us to earn extra money on your offerings... it's free money from the government. For every £1 that you donate we can claim 25p back from the government this is crucial money because it goes towards the running cost of both churches. We were able to claim back £5,763 in 2021 which was critical in keeping both churches running. If you work or have a pension where you pay income tax and you haven't yet signed up to gift aid, then please think about it and sign up today. There are forms at the back of church, for you to fill in and return to Jacinta or me. If you want to discuss it first, then talk to Jacinta or email her on jacintalewis21@aol.com.

WORK ON CHURCH ROOF, SPILSBY: tiles have been replaced, the roof and gutters cleared, but other work remains to be done, specifically work on the tower at the entrance and on replacing the roof on the back entrance porch.

CHRISTMAS CARDS: now on sale after Mass. Please, try to ensure that you send Christmas cards with the message of the Nativity, of the birth of our Saviour, and not cards which are un-Christian.

SPECIAL COLLECTION: for Christmas gifts to the sick and housebound again this week (3rd-4th Dec.). Next week second collection for New and Poor Parishes of the diocese.

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE: meeting Monday, 5th Dec., 6.30 p.m.

Collection:	Skegness	Spilsby	INCOME: <u>27th Nov 2022.</u>
Gift Aid:	£ 0-00	£105-00	= £105-00
Loose:	£109-12	£191-00	= £300-12
Total:	£109-12	£296-00	= £405-12 = <u>£405-12</u>
Other:	Repository: £ 35-39 (£29-39 SK £6-00 SP)		
	Mass offerings £130-00		
	Donation (M. Flaherty funeral): £200-00		
	Teas & coffees (Nov.) £ 85-70		
	Christmas Appeal gifts for sick: £ 78-50 (SP) Total: £549 -59 = <u>£549-59.</u>		
		Overall = <u>£954-71.</u>	

Thank you very much.