

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.

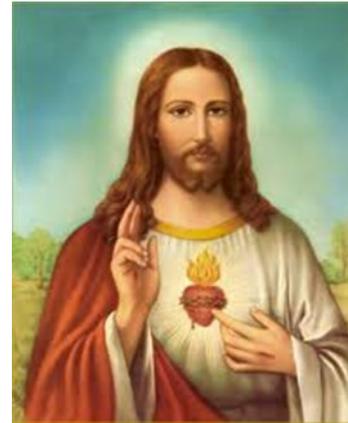
TABERNACLE VEILS: Our most sincere thanks go to those who paid for the two new Tabernacle veils (violet and gold-white) for Sacred Heart church. We are very grateful to them for their kindness and generosity.

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 MEEETING: 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 perhaps also Willson House, the former curia building) and b) the mission of the diocese in general.

NEW LECTIONARY: 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	4th Sunday of Advent- A Liturgical Calendar	Is. 7:10-14; Rom. 1:1-7; Mt. 1:18-25 p. 13. Mass Intention
Saturday	17	6.00pm	SK	Vigil	People of the Parish
Sun.	18	9.00am 11.00am 3.15pm	SP SK	(Polish)	Dorothy & Clifford Sykes, RIP Debbie Jackman - ill
Mon.	19	10.00am	SK	Feria	Fr. Terence Smyth, O.Praem, RIP
Tues.	20	9.45am 12.00noon	SK SP	Feria	Adoration Elizabeth Blythe - ill
Wed.	21	10.00am 7.00pm	SK SP	Feria	Catherine & Seamus Hennessy RIP Maud Augusta Richardson-RIP\
Thurs.	22	10.00am	SK	Feria	Robert Watson, RIP
.Fri.	23	10.00am 11-12	SK	Feria Confessions	Richardson family ints
Sat.	24	10.00am 11-12 8.00pm	SP SP SK	Feria Confessions Midnight Mass	Beryl Buswell, RIP People of the Parish
Sun.	25	9.00am 11.00am	SP SK	Christmas Mass at Dawn Day Mass during the Day No Latin Mass	Private int. Sick of the Parish

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: James Whittle, Elizabeth Blythe, Angela Davis, Gwen Rigby, Joan Fletcher and Deb Jackman. **FR. TERENCE SMYTH, O. Praem., RIP:** Fr. Terence Smyth was parish priest of Sacred Heart, Skegness, for some years after an interlude following the death of Fr. Finneran until 2008. He was a religious of the Order of the Pre-Monstratensions (Norbertines) and had been parish priest in Spalding. He died last week in the hospital in Naas, Co. Kildare, and his funeral Mass took place in the parish in Kildare town. May he now rest in the peace of Christ. **FINAL PREPARATION FOR CHRISTMAS:** In the midst of getting everything ready to celebrate Christmas with your families, please remember the most important preparation, to welcome Our Lord once more into our hearts, minds and lives. An important part of this spiritual preparation is to avail ourselves of Our Lord's forgiveness of our sins through the sacrament of Reconciliation—see here below for times of Confession.

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS PROGRAMME:

Fri. 23rd Dec. Mass 10.00 a.m. Confessions 11.00 a.m.- 12.00 noon SK
Christmas Eve Mass 10.00 a.m. Confessions 11.00 a.m.-12.00 noon SP
(24th) 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 *Te Deum* 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. **SYNODAL PROCESS: CONTINENTAL STAGE:** The other day we received from the diocese a communication about the Continental stage of this process in preparation for the Synods in 2023-24. Forms are available at the back of the church which need to be returned by 9th January. **CHRISTMAS CARDS:** last opportunity to buy Christmas cards. Please promote the message of the Nativity, of Our Lord's birth. **MANY THANKS** for your generosity to purchase Christmas gifts for the sick and housebound of the parish. This week Holy Communion for Christmas will be brought to the sick; the gifts will be distributed to them then. **SECOND COLLECTION:** today for flowers for the altar at Christmas. **PARISH MEAL:** Please, complete the form to select the menu and make payments, so that numbers may be given this week to the Windmill (Burgh-le-Marsh) for the Parish post-Christmas meal on 7th January..

Collection:	Skegness	Spilsby	INCOME:	11th Dec 2022.
Gift Aid:	£ 55-00	£ 85-00	=	£140-00
Loose:	£ 82-58	£ 84-00	=	£166-58
Total:	£ 137-58	£169-00	=	£306-58
2nd. Coll. New & Poor Parishes :	£64-70 (SK)	£41-24 (SP)	=	£105-94.
Other: Repository :	£81-42			
Parish Christmas Meal:	£225-00 (£155-00 SK £80-00 SP)			
	Total: £306-42			= £306-42.
			Overall	= £718-94.

Thank you very much.