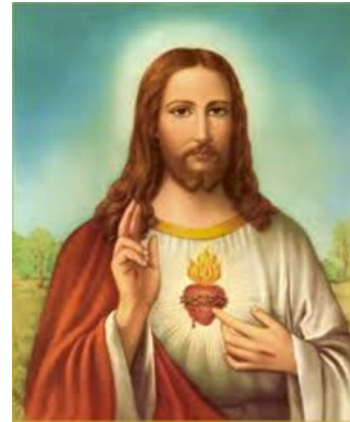


PARISH PASTORAL PROGRAMME: We hope to try to recuperate those who have perhaps drifted away through Covid or for other reasons by making contact with them, inviting them to return, organising Talks on the Faith, advertised by leaflets to attract interest. To make contact with the many tourists and visitors, we shall try to devise leaflets/ cards to be distributed to hotels, caravan sites, next year. To welcome Ukrainian and other immigrants, especially Catholics, we are still seeking advice from local authorities; cards will be translated into Ukrainian. Without any rushed decisions, since hasty judgments do not usually produce good fruits, it is intended to try to look at these aspects of our mission in the months to come, with a view to developing a way of responding to them over the next few years, which may be successful pastorally. Talks on the Faith, as part of our preparation for the celebration of the anniversary of dedication of the church in Spilsby and for the dedication of the Church in Skegness in 2025, to focus on the mysteries of faith (1st year), life of disciples in care for human life, sexuality and marriage, and justice (2nd year), and the sacraments and prayer (3rd year). Pope Francis' advance notice of the Holy Year of 2025 included a request to prepare for this by studying the four 'constitutions' (the major documents) of the Second Vatican Council, on divine revelation, the liturgy, the nature of the Church, the pastoral mission of the Church. We could integrate this into our programme, including divine revelation and the Church in the mysteries of the faith, pastoral mission in the life of disciples, and liturgy in prayer and the sacraments. We shall begin Talks on the faith in Lent.

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES (11th February) and SACRAMENT OF THE SICK - see details inside the Bulletin: at Masses of the weekend of 11th – 12th February.

Is there anyone sick among you. Let him call for the elders of the Church and let them pray prayer him and anoint him in the Name of the Lord. This prayer, made in faith, will save the sick man and, if he has committed any sins, they will be forgiven. (Jas. 5:14-16).

God bless you all. Fr. G.J. Woodall.



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Day	Date	Time	Place	Liturgical Calendar 5th Sunday of Ordinary Time	Is. 58:7-10; 1Cor 2:1-5; Mt. 5:13-16 p. 572. Mass Intention
Saturday	4	6.00pm	SK	Vigil	Robert Watson, RIP
Sun.	5	9.00am 11.00am 3.15pm	SP SK SK	(Polish)	People of the Parish O.L. Chacko, RIP
Mon.	6	10.00am	SK	Ss. Paul Miki & companions	Josie Bell - ill
Tues.	7	9.45am 12.00noon	SK SP	Feria	Adoration Kathleen Crawley, RIP
Wed.	8	10.00am 7.00pm	SK SP	Feria	Rev, Enzo Crialesi, RIP Special int. (M. Flynn)
Thurs.	9	10.00am	SK	Feria	Richardson family
Fri.	10	6.00pm	SK	St. Scholastica	November Dead List
Sat.	11	10.00am 6.00pm	SK SK	Our Lady of Lourdes Vigil	Sick of the Parish People of the Parish
Sun.	12	9.00am 11.00am 3.15pm 4.30pm	SP SK SK SK	6th Sunday of Ordinary Time - A (Polish) (Tridentine)	Spiritual needs Philomena Marranca, RIP Private int.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: James Whittle, Angela Davis, Gwen Rigby, Kay O'Reilly, Joan Fletcher, Rosie Bell, Michael Forshaw and many others who are sick.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: For some years now, the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, 11th February, has been declared World Day of Prayer for the Sick. As in many parishes, we shall be celebrating the Sacrament of the Sick on the weekend on which the feast occurs, namely 11th-12th February. Those who are proper candidates for this sacrament are Catholics who, apart from being baptised, have been confirmed and have made their first Holy Communion and who have begun to be in danger of death (not necessarily imminently) from sickness or from old age. This certainly includes anyone who has a serious illness, anyone with a serious underlying health condition, anyone about to undergo an important operation, as well as those who have become infirm through age. I would ask everyone who thinks that they may be a proper candidate for this sacrament to contact me as soon as possible by 'phone, e-mail or directly in person, so that we may draw up a list of those who will receive this sacrament during that weekend. It will be administered during each of the parish Masses that weekend. It will not extend the length of the Mass. Of course, there are people who are proper candidates for this sacrament who cannot come to church; many of these I know already because I bring them the sacraments, but, if you are aware of anyone who could receive this sacrament who cannot come to one of those weekend Masses, please let me know as soon as possible.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: The liturgy for Lent, Holy Week and Easter was planned, as also in general terms Stations of the Cross. In Spilsby these will alternate between Our Lady & the English Martyrs and St. James's, although the time needs to be altered from 6.00pm in the past to 5.30pm because of bell-ringing at St. James's. We discussed also the Pastoral programme for the parish of Talks on the Faith, etc.—see the back page of the Bulletin, with possible times to meet.

WORK ON THE CHURCH ROOF: on the two porches in Spilsby, will take place in the week beginning 27th February. It will involve the closure of the church during those days. Towards the end of that week, the inspection of the church roof in Skegness will take place, although that will not involve the closure of the church.

God bless. Fr. G.J. Woodall.

THE HALL: open for teas and coffees 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. **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 for your help. **STATEMENT ON MARRIAGE:** See notice board. **LETTER FROM BISHOPS' CONFERENCE ON 'BUFFER ZONES' AND ABORTION:** This important letter touches religious liberty and conscientious objection. **RACIAL JUSTICE:** Special prayer today for racial justice.

Collection:	Skegness	Spilsby	Total	INCOME: 29th Jan., 2023.
Gift Aid:	£ 20-00	£ 95-00	£115-00	
Loose:	£170-22	£106-00	£176-22	
Total:	£ 190-22	£201-00	£291-22 =	£291-22.
Other: Repository:			£ 60-53	
Mass offerings:			£ 25-00	
Donations (Wolds & Coast event 2022):			£ 23-00	
Teas & coffees (Jan.):			£ 96-65	
Total:			£204-98	= £204-98. Overall: = £496-20.

Thank you very much.