

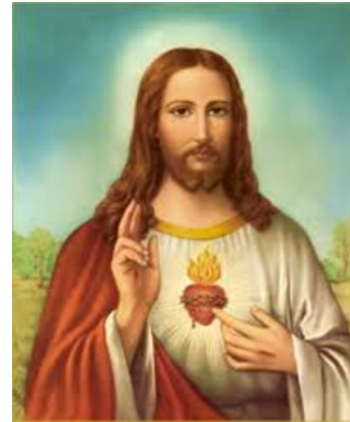
PARISH PASTORAL PROGRAMME: We hope to try to recuperate those who have perhaps drifted away through Covid or for other reasons by making contact with them, inviting them to return, organising Talks on the Faith, advertised by leaflets to attract interest. To make contact with the many tourists and visitors, 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. **Talks on the Faith begin in Lent - Mon. 10.45 - 11.45am & Tues. 6.30-7.30pm (SK hall); Thurs.12.00 noon - 1.00pm (SP).**

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).

STATIONS OF THE CROSS IN LENT: 5.30 p.m. each week in Sacred Heart before the 6.00 pm Mass and 5.30 p.m. each week in Spilsby, alternating between Our Lady & the English Martyrs and St. James's, beginning on 24th Feb. at St. James's.

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



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Day	Date	Time	Place	Liturgical Calendar	Eccl. 15:15-20; 1Cor 2:6-10; Mt. 5:17-37. p. 576.
Saturday	11	6.00pm	SK	Vigil	People of the Parish
Sun.	12	9.00am 11.00am 3.15pm 4.30pm	SP SK SK SK	(Polish) (Tridentine)	Spiritual needs Philomena Marranca, RIP Private int.
Mon.	13	10.00am	SK	Feria	Robert Watson, RIP
Tues.	14	9.45am 12.00noon	SK SP	Ss. Cyril and Methodius	Adoration Fr. John Sullivan, RIP
Wed.	15	10.00am 7.00pm	SK SP	Feria	Margaret Tarbuck, RIP Tunde Kiss, RIP
Thurs.	16	10.00am	SK	Feria	Fr. Martin Orme, RIP
.Fri.	17		SK	Feria	No Mass today
Sat.	18	6.00pm	SK SK	Vigil	Kevin McGuinness, RIP
Sun.	19	9.00am 11.00am 3.15pm	SP SK SK	7th Sunday of Ordinary Time - A (Polish)	People of the Parish Private int.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: James Whittle, Angela Davis, Michael Forshaw, Margaret Smith 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 this weekend of 11th-12th February. 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. Those proper candidates who cannot come to church I have seen in the last week and have given them the sacraments; along with all the sick of the parish, the Mass of Our Lady of Lourdes which I am celebrating on 11th will be for them. **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. **IN PREPARATION FOR LENT,** which begins on 22nd February, it is important for each of us to decide ahead of time the particular penance we are going to adopt in order to use this holy season well, to prepare for Holy Week and the Sacred Triduum of our redemption: particular prayers each day, Stations of the Cross each Friday and even daily, daily Mass or an extra Mass in the week, a particular gesture of charity each day or each week - to help us in our spiritual combat against sin (a specific sin?) and to grow closer to Christ every day. Pamphlets 'Walk with me' on sale. 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. **SPECIAL COLLECTION TODAY** for the victims of the dreadful earthquakes in Turkey and Syria this week, via CAFOD. We pray that the survivors may be enabled to rebuild their lives and that the dead may rest in the peace Our Lord has prepared.

Collection:	Skegness	Spilsby	Total	INCOME: 5th Feb., 2023.
Gift Aid:	£ 25-00	£110-00	£135-00	
Loose:	£146-95	£ 67-00	£213-95	
Total:	£ 171-95	£177-00	£348-95 =	£348-95.
Other: Repository:			£ 7-04	
			Total:	£ 7-04 = £ 7-04.
				Overall: = £355-99.

Thank you very much.