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 in Lent - Mon. 10.45 -11.45am & Tues. 6.30-7.30pm (SK hall); Thurs.12.00 noon -1.00pm (SP). POLICY DOCUMENTS: These indicate policies we are going to implement in the time to come, objectives to be reached.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS IN LENT: 5.20 p.m., before the 6.00 pm Mass on Fridays, and also 10.20 a.m. on Sundays each week in Sacred Heart and 5.30 p.m. on Fridays each week in Spilsby, alternating between Our Lady & the English Martyrs and St. James's, beginning on 24th Feb. at St. James's. Some copies of 'Stations of the Cross' on sale £3-50 each.

"Have mercy on me, God, in Your kindness; in Your compassion blot out my offence. O wash me more and more from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin ... A pure heart create for me, O God; put a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from Your presence, nor deprive me of Your holy spirit ... O rescue me, God, my helper, and my tongue shall ring out Your goodness" (Psalm 50).

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



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Day	Date	Time	Pla ce	Liturgical Calendar 2nd Sunday of Lent	Gen. 12:1-4; 2 Tim. 1:8-10; Mt. 17:1-9. <u>p. 118</u> . Mass Intention
Saturday	4	6.00pm		Vigil	Tasnee & Geoff Lambourne
Sun.	5	9.00am 10.20am 11.00am 3.15pm	SK	Stations of the Cross (Polish))	People of the Parish Robert Watson, RIP
Mon.	6	10.00am	SK	Feria	Fr. Jeremy Davies, RIP
Tues.	7	9.45am 12.00noon	SK SP	Feria	Adoration November Dead List
Wed.	8.	10.00am 7.00pm	SK SP	Feria	Sean Quinn, RIP November Dead List
Thurs.	9	10.00am	SK	Feria	Robert Watson, RIP
.Fri.	10	5.20pm 6.00pm 5.30pm	SK	Stations of the Cross Feria Stations of the Cross	November Dead List (St. James's)
Sat.	11	6.00pm	SK	Vigil	November Dead List
Sun.	12	9.00am 10.20am 11.00am 3.15pm	SK SK SK	3rd Sunday of Lent - A Stations of the Cross (Polish)	People of the Parish
		4.30pm	SK	(Tridentine)	Private int.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: James Whittle, Angela Davis, Michael Forshaw, Margaret Smith, Tasnee Daravilset, Geoff Lambourne, Margaret Underwood, Fr. Alex Adkins and many others who are sick.

WORK ON THE CHURCH ROOF: on the two porches in Spilsby, has now been completed, which should make us all safer and more secure. We shall know in these days about the roof of the church in Skegness, which is not unsafe, but which is being inspected to check the 'fixing' of the slates, as the last quinquennial inspection (2017) urged, which would affect its long-term life.

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE: meeting on Monday, 6th March, at 6.30 p.m.

SOME FORTHCOMING EVENTS: Confirmation of three of our parishioners, Thursday, 4th May, feast of the English Martyrs at 7.00 p.m., in our church in Spilsby; <u>Coronation</u>: (1) <u>Coronation concert</u> in the <u>Cathedral</u> in Nottingham, Friday, 5th May, 7.00—9.00pm (to book EITHER 'dioceseofnottinhgham.uk/events/coronation' OR Tel 0115-9539839. (2) <u>Ecumenical service in Spilsby</u> relating to the Coronation on Sunday, 7th May, at 11.00 a.m. in St. James's, Spilsby.

THE BLESSED EUCHARIST: Following the Bishop's pastoral letter last week, we shall try to recall aspects of teaching, devotion and practical ways of showing respect for the Blessed Eucharist leading up to Holy week and Easter.

TO LIVE A GOOD AND HOLY LENT, it is important for each of us to decide 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: eg. 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. Large print *Stations of the Cross (£*3-50); pamphlets *Walk with me* (£1-00). Try already to set aside the times for the main ceremonies of Holy Thursday, Good Friday & the Easter Vigil.

HOLY WEEK:

Palm Sunday: Blessing & distribution of palms at all Masses.						
Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.00 p.m.						
Good Friday: Liturgy of the Lord's Passion	3.00 p.m.					
Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil and first Mass of Easter	<u>8.30 p.m</u> .					

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 \pounds 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 \pounds 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: operating in Spilsby and also in sacred Heart (liaising with The Storehouse in Skegness, for those in need (tinned and other NONPERISHABLE foods). Thank you for your help.

CAFOD LENT FAMILY FAST DAY: anyone who wishes to make a donation, please use the envelopes at the back of the church and hand in today. Thank you.

RED 'MISSIO' BOXES: to support the Missions - please return those you have at home today so that they may be emptied . Pamphlets available at the back of the church. Thank you.

Collection:	Skegness	Spilsby	Total	INCOME: 26th Feb., 2023.					
Gift Aid:	£ 22-00	£105-00	£127-00						
Loose:	£126-98	£ 70-70	£197-68						
Total:	£ 148-98	£175-70	£324-68	= £324-68.					
2nd coll. Dec. (Poor/									
Needy Parish	= £ 12-00.								
Other : Repository: £ 72-04 - £55-54 (SK) £ 16-50 (SP)									
Mass offerings: £ 20-00									
Teas & Coffee	es (Feb.)£ 73-1	0		= £165-14.					

Overall: = £501-82.

Thank you very much.