



**Sacred Heart, Skegness**

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Proposals for this Year of Preparation in our Parish.

- Talks on the Faith, to focus on prayer, including prayer as a way to understand the meaning of the sacraments.
- Four special celebrations, two in each church, on four of the sacraments, with invited priests to lead them
- Pilgrimages to focus on the Sacred Heart, Our Lady & English Martyrs (Maryvale, Birmingham first Sacred Heart shrine in England and 'vale' dedicated to Our Lady)/ Martyrs' chapel at Tyburn, London, where many martyrs died and where relics are kept, with a visit to St. James's Palace, where there is an icon of St. Claude de la Colombière, Spiritual Director to St. Margaret Mary Alacocque, whose visions at Paray-le-Monial, France, 350 years ago next year inspired the Sacred Heart devotion, which St. Claude first preached in England/ to St. Mary's, Louth, where there is a stained-glass window to St. Eustace White, one of the Lincolnshire Martyrs, and perhaps to Melwood, shrine to St. Augustine Webster and other Lincolnshire Martyrs.)
- Invite a French Bishop, part of the Emmanuel Community, which looks after the major Sacred Heart shrine at Paray-le-Monial, to come to the parish to preside and to preach at Masses one weekend.

God bless. Fr. G.J. Woodall.

Day	Date	Time	Place	Liturgical Calendar 11 <sup>th</sup> Sun. of Ord. Time - B	Ezek. 17:22-24; 2Cor. 5:6-10; Mk. 4:26:34. p. 734. Mass Intention
Sat.	15	6.00pm	SK	Vigil	People of the Parish
Sun.	16	9.00am 11.00am 3.15pm	SP SK SK	(Polish)	Kathleen Kealy, RIP James Cusack, RIP
Mon.	17	10.00am	SK	Feria	Kathryn Kersh, RIP
Tues.	18	9.45am 12.00noon	SK SP	Feria	Adoration Margaret & Niel Dallas' ints.
Wed.	19	10.00am 7.00pm	SK SP	Feria	Fr. Kevin Athaide – ill Canon Philip Soar, RIP
Thurs.	20	6.00pm	SK	(Lincoln) St. Alban	(Funeral Leonard Cuff, RIP Lincoln) Fr. Tom Fitzgerald, RIP
Fri.	21	6.00pm	SK	St. Aloysius Gonzaga	John Hallam - ill
Sat.	22	10.00am 6.00pm	SK SK	Ss. John Fisher & Thomas More Vigil	Private int. Andrew Wakley's ints.
Sun.	23	9.00am 11.00am 3.15pm 4.30pm	SP SK SK SK	12 <sup>th</sup> Sun. of Ord. Time B (Polish) (Tridentine)	In thanksgiving (M. Flynn) People of the Parish Fr. John Shaw, RIP

Confessions: SK Sat. 5.30pm; SP before Mass.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Teresa Proom, Jane Wright, Michael Forshaw, Fr. Kevin Athaide, John Hallam, Celia Senior, Mark Geddes, Rev. Peter Coates (former vicar of St. James's, Spilsby) and all the sick, and for Leonard Cuff; Kathleen Kealy, William Martin Hyland, Kathryn Kersh, and Sandra Young who have died may they rest in peace. **A SPECIAL YEAR FOR THE PARISH:** Next year, 2025, it will be 350 years since the main apparition of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to St. Margaret Mary Alacocque, associated with the shrine of the Sacred Heart at Paray-le-Monial in Burgundy in France, now cared for especially by the Community of Emmanuel. Next year both churches in our parish will celebrate important anniversaries, the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of the new Sacred Heart church in Skegness and the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the dedication of the church of Our Lady and the English Martyrs, Spilsby. Martyrdom is the greatest possible form of dedication to Jesus and so both parts of the parish can truly be united in a year of preparation, in which we prepare to celebrate the past, the living faith of our families, the memory and inspiration of those who have gone before us, but also to renew our own faith, our own personal dedication and our dedication as a parish, as a living cell of the People of God, to Our Lord. The Sacred Heart is the core of God's mercy, divine mercy, brought fully into our world of sin, suffering and death in the very body of Jesus when He was born for us, revealed as His unlimited love for the Father in His perfect sacrifice on the Cross, and at the same time as the unlimited love of God towards each one of us, as He shed His Blood for us, and as, in His resurrection, He reconciled us to the Father, forgiving us, opening to us mortals the gift of eternal life, of unending, perfect communion of love with the Father, in Him, through the Holy Spirit. We pray that we may use this Year to grow in faith, deepen our prayer, strengthen our service of God in His Church, and be ever more effective witnesses to the saving, transforming power of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (martyr = witness to Christ by shedding of blood) in our world.

**HOLY YEAR, 2025:** *'Spes non confundit* 'Hope does not deceive' (Rom 5:5), proclaimed by Pope Francis. **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:** in Spilsby and in Sacred Heart (via The Storehouse, Skegness, for those in need (tinned and other NONPERISHABLE foods). Thank you for your help. **TALKS ON THE FAITH:** on '**Discipleship of Christ**' on 5-6<sup>th</sup> commandments, bioethics, marriage and sexuality: Mon. 10.45am & Tues. 7.15p.m. (SK); but NOT Thurs. (SP). **GUILD OF ST. STEPHEN:** We are very happy to enrol and to welcome into the Guild of St. Stephen (for Altar Servers) Michael Dunn on Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup>, and Nicholas Titley-Bayes on Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> June, thanking them and Joseph for their service to our parish. **TEAS & COFFEES:** after Mass on Sundays. **FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2023-2024:** available today; many thanks to Jacinta and to Peter for their hard work and great care.

<b>INCOME: COLL.</b>	SK	SP	Total	<b>9<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.</b>
Gift Aid:	£ 40-00	£110-00	= £150-00	
Loose:	£112-50	£ 48-00	= £160-50	
Total:	£152-50	£158-00	= £310-50	<b>= £310-50.</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> COLL. (Day for Life):</b>				
Gift Aid:	£	£		
Loose:	£117-74	£ 57-00	= £174-74	
Total:	£117-74	£ 57-00		<b>= £174-74.</b>
<b>OTHER:</b>				
Repository:	£ 12-22			
Mass offerings:	£ 50-00			
Reception				
(Sacred Heart):	£193-10			
Total:	£255-32			<b>= £255-32.</b>
			Many thanks.	<b>Overall Total: = £740-56.</b>