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PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Those who are ill: Jill Wright, Liam Gerety, Ann Nunn, Owen Jenkinson, Dorothy Howard, Pat Tiger, John Dean, Patricia Kerr, Shirley Kirkham, Paddy Shillington, Margaret & Robert Gwynne, Kevin Keeley, Mary Norburn, Judith Brook, Sally Shillington, Catherine Keeley, Pam Stephens, Diane Benton, Patricia & Spencer Harvey. Fr. James Lynch, Joseph Wilson, Laura Guest, Odessa Louise-Therese, John Thompson, Shaun Hewson, Winnie Copp, Thecla Domici.

Those who have died recently: S. Mary's: Paul Hale, Sheila Rodden, Daniel Darcy, David Cummings, Bernie Smallbone, Peter Endean, Eileen Adams, Irene Mander, Lea Small, David Peter Stubbs. S. Joseph's: Christopher Beal, Claire Sheldrake, Anne Powell, Sandra Watkinson.

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Ruth Fitzgerald, Ethel Hagan, Leo Hagan, Arthur Gerard McGrath, Elsie Agnes Appleby, Kathleen McDonald. Beatrice Joan Wall, Annie Florence Page.

TWENTY-FOURTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

14th - 20th September 2025, Year C, Psalter Week IV

MASS TIMINGS AND INTENTIONS

Sunday, 14 th Sept		EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS
* 18.15	S. Mary's	<i>Christian Unity</i>
* 9.00	S. Mary's	<i>Sheila Rodden (+)</i>
* 11.30	S. Joseph's	<i>M. N. (special intention)</i>
Monday, 15 th Sept		Our Lady of Sorrows
		NO MASS
Tuesday, 16 th Sept		Ss. Cornelius & Cyprian
		NO MASS
Wednesday, 17 th Sept		S. Robert Bellarmine
10.00	S. Mary's	Service of the Word and Holy Communion
Thursday, 18 th Sept		Feria
10.30	S. Joseph's	Service of the Word and Holy Communion
Friday, 19 th Sept		S. Januarius
		NO MASS
Saturday, 20 th Sept		Ss. Andrew Kim Tae-gon & Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions
		NO MASS
Sunday, 21 st Sept		Twenty-Fifth Sunday of the Year
9.00	S. Mary's	<i>For the Spread of the Gospel</i>
11.30	S. Joseph's	<i>For the Spread of the Gospel</i>

Please Note. **Confessions** may be made available before all Masses upon request

* Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – for a half hour before the Sunday Masses

Teas & coffees after the 10 AM Masses on Wednesdays (S. Mary's) and Thursdays (S. Joseph's), and after the 9 AM Mass on Sundays (S. Mary's)

NOTICES

- ◆ **Please pay special attention to the parish schedule over the next two weeks** as Father Kevin will be away on pilgrimage. We are very grateful to our deacon, Rev. Roger Crow who has offered to lead a Service of the Word and Holy Communion at S. Mary's on Wednesdays and at S. Joseph's on Thursdays, which will be followed by teas and coffees as usual. There will be **NO VIGIL MASS on Saturday, 20th Sept at 6.15 PM**. We are pleased to welcome the Bishop of Nottingham, Mgr. Patrick McKinney who will be visiting our parishes and celebrating the Sunday Masses on 21st September. **The normal schedule will resume on Sat, 27th Sept** with the 10 AM Mass.
- ◆ **SECOND COLLECTION:** Sun, 21st September: Evangelii Gaudium Day
- ◆ **Weekly Parish Groups/Sessions: To be resumed on Monday 29th Sept**
 - ~~All About Catholicism w/ Fr Kevin, Mondays at 6 PM~~
 - ~~Bible Study w/ Fr Kevin, Thursdays at 6 PM~~

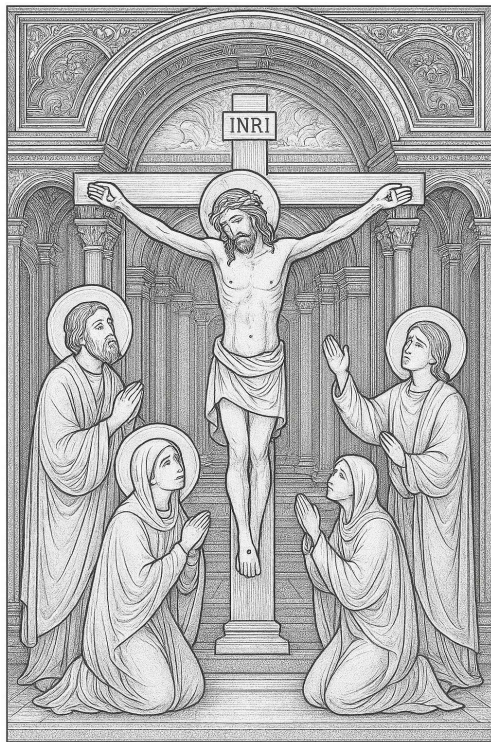
Saint Mary's, Louth

- ◆ **With sadness, we announce the passing of Mr. Paul Hale on Monday, 8th September** after a short illness. Paul would play the organ at S. Mary's, on Sundays and also at funerals and other such occasions, his most recent engagement being less than two months ago. Please pray for the peaceful repose of his soul and for his dear wife and family who mourn his loss.
- ◆ **The funeral service of Mrs. Sheila Rodden (+)** will take place at S. Mary's Church on Tues, 23rd Sept at 10 AM followed by committal to burial at Louth Cemetery at 11 AM. Please pray for the peaceful repose of her soul.
- ◆ **S. Mary's Parish Luncheon:** Sun, 21st Sept at 12.00 at The Miller's Daughter, £14.50/person, Names & payment to Siobhan 07719995161 asap.
- ◆ **S. Mary's Repository:** We have a range of Christmas cards and other gift items for sale. Find us in the narthex after the Mass to browse our collection.
- ◆ **The monthly CAFOD collection** raised £206.94. Many thanks to all.
- ◆ Please return the **red Missio boxes** to the sacristy for collection.
- ◆ **Women's Fellowship group,** Tues, 30th Sept at 6.15 PM in the parish centre.
- ◆ We are grateful for any donations to **S Mary's Maintenance Fund:**
Acct name St Marys Louth RCP; **Acct no.** 00108605; **Sort code** 30-95-22

Saint Joseph's, Mablethorpe

- ◆ **The funeral service of Maria Stapleton** will take place at Alford Crematorium on Thurs, 25th Sept, 2PM. Please pray for her peaceful repose.
- ◆ **WANTED!** Safeguarding Officer. Must be good with computers.
- ◆ **YaYah Club for the Young and the Young at Heart. Wednesdays 6.30 to 7.30 PM.** Learn to love being a Catholic and belonging to Christ's Church.
- ◆ **S. Joseph's Repository:** We have an excellent range of greeting cards, books, crucifixes and other gift items for sale. Please do stop by after Mass.

A WORD FROM FATHER KEVIN



In that moment, when S. John standing beside our Lady at the foot of the Cross saw Christ being raised up, he likely realised the theological import of it and its link with the story of the bronze serpent of Moses. Because it is he who gives us the same theology in our gospel reading this weekend. It is baptismal theology, which is why we find it in the dialogue that Our Lord has with the pharisee S. Nicodemus. To know why this extraordinary image of the crucified Christ has become the symbol par excellence of the Christian religion, we must look to S. Paul's wonderful hymn from the extract of his letter to the Philippians that we have for our second reading this weekend. Recall the pride of Adam and Eve that damned our race

to sin and death - it was a desire to become gods that destroyed the original plan for humanity. To stand on a level equal with God Himself and assert ourselves as having that same authority. Of being our own gods. The crucifix, as Paul describes here, is the termination of a long moment when God steps down in the Incarnation to give us a model of humility and service as a human being, and so to undo the pride that pushes against God. That love and humility, at a time when Christians are being killed more than ever before, the Church must always exalt.

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Friday, 12th September marked the **10th anniversary of Father Kevin's ordination to the Holy Priesthood**. Of your charity, please pray for him that he may be given the grace to do God's Holy Will in all things as he ministers to those placed under his care. Thank you all for your prayers and support.