

St. Dominic's Community Team Ministry for South West Leicestershire



Incorporating St. Peter's Parish, Hinckley, St. Peter & Paul's Parish, Earl Shilton
Our Lady and St. Gregory's Parish, Market Bosworth.

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**News and events for St. Peter & Paul's Parish, Earl Shilton and Our Lady & St. Gregory's
Parish, Market Bosworth for week beginning December 31st 2023**

Book of Remembrance:

Mary Farquhasson, Agnes Ward, Kate Dwyer, Hilda Leonard, Michael Lovock, Fr.Robert
Woodbridge, David Sayers, Mamie Lawrence, Anne Rea, Anne-Marie Irons

SUNDAY The Feast of the Holy Family

Sat. 5.00pm Mass in Market Bosworth *Private Intention*

Sat: 6.30pm Mass in Hinckley: *Sue & Peter Meagher*

Sun: 8.00am Mass in Hinckley: *Private Intention (Desai)*

9.45 am Mass in Hinckley: *Bill Glavin*

11.30 am Mass in Earl Shilton *November Dead List*

1.45pm Play rehearsal

11.30pm Watchnight service for the New Year in Hinckley

MONDAY 1st January: Mary, Mother of God

10.00am Mass in Earl Shilton *November Dead List*

12.00pm Mass in Hinckley *Margaret France*

Followed by shared table

TUESDAY 2nd: Saints Basil & Gregory

12.00pm Funeral Mass for Jack Lally in Hinckley

3.00pm Play Dress Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY 3rd: Of the Day at Christmas

10.00 am Mass in Market Bosworth *Julia Kibbler*

12.00pm: Mass in Hinckley: *November Dead List*

THURSDAY 4th: Of the Day at Christmas

9.30 am Mass in Hinckley: *Hazel Brown*

11.30am Baptism of Antonio Panariello

7.30pm Play Performance

FRIDAY 5th: Of the Day at Christmas

12.00pm: Mass in Hinckley *Pauline Jarvis*

1.00pm Funeral Service for Kathleen Sowman in Sellers' chapel

7.30pm Play Performance

SATURDAY 6th: Of the Day at Christmas

10.00 am Confessions in St. Dominic's Chapel

SUNDAY The Feast of the Epiphany

Sat. 5.00pm Mass in Market Bosworth *The parishes*

Sat: 6.30pm Mass in Hinckley: *Maria Reich*

Sun: 8.00am Mass in Hinckley: *In thanksgiving (Taylor)*

9.45 am Mass in Hinckley: *Maria Leite*

11.30 am Mass in Earl Shilton *November Dead Lst*

4.30pm Final Play Performance

A £25,000 Christmas spend There will no doubt be many reviews of what people are spending over the Christmas period and comparisons with previous years to see if our habits have changed despite the so-called 'cost of living crisis', but one review is very significant: we can now reveal that over 250 customers spent in excess of £25,000 on this year's AlterNativity project. This is a wonderful thing given the fact that much of this money would otherwise have been spent on Christmas presents that people don't actually need or even want. It is quite clear, the organisers say, that people's spending habits at this time have now changed dramatically and that the recipients of these presents, which are gifts offered by 20 different charities, are delighted to have them. The project has been in existence for 19 years and during that time the customers have spent over £260,000, which corresponds to an awful lot of chocolates, socks or alcohol! It is hoped that this 'sea change' in spending will become much more a feature of our Christmas shopping in the future and we are grateful to all our customers for their support. Happy New Year to everyone.

New Year's Day – to mark the New Year, there will be a special Watchnight Service on Sunday at 11.30pm in St.Dominic's chapel and then after 12.00pm Mass on Monday in Hinckley we will have a shared table in the centre – please bring some food. If anyone could make some tea and coffee that would be appreciated.

“A Place of Honour” – written in 2000 and performed here in 2010, “A Place of Honour” (“they're only toys after all”) is the story of what happens to toys once they have been rejected by the children that own them and how they feel about it. When a 'must have' toy comes along, the current favourites are relegated to the toy cupboard to await their eventual fate three weeks before Christmas when the cupboard has to be cleared out so that their new toys can be put in it, and the old ones can end up being 'J-ed' (sent to a jumble sale), 'car booted' or just thrown away. Teddy Bear and Rupert Bear welcome a succession of victims – Action Man, Scott Tracy, Lady Penelope, Parker and of course Barbie, to the cupboard and the children are eyeing up more replacements from the catalogues. We discover that they toys are very upset about it – they do have feelings you know – hurt by having been in the 'place of honour' only to be thrown away without warning into the cupboard and an uncertain fate. What will happen to them? Will it work out all right in the end? Come and see our play this week – Thursday and Friday at 7.30pm and Sunday at 4.30pm in the centre. Tickets available this weekend or on the door. You can also book on 01455 634443 from Monday. The play also represents what we call a “Bear Hug” for the Ukraine because one of the two charities to which all the proceeds will be donated (the other is Lawrence House) is called HUGS – ‘Hinckley Ukraine Group Support’ – and was set up to look after families and children from the Ukraine now living in Hinckley. The production this year is dedicated to the memory of Trevor Collett, one of our best loved actors, who took part in so many of our plays with great enthusiasm and faithfulness and who died at the end of August, aged 85. He will surely never be forgotten!

St.Dominic's Fund – if you are experiencing financial hardship and would like some help you may do so via St.Dominic's Fund

Applications may be made in Hinckley to Marina, (412250) Valerie (610472) or Louisa Rinaldi-Oxley at St.Peter's School (634087) and Lucy (212386) for St.Martin's, in Earl Shilton to Brian (841243), Sheena (698066) or Helen White at St.Peter's School (843840) and in Market Bosworth to Eric (07588629114) or Pat (291593).

Thank you – to you all for your generous Christmas offering and for all the cards, messages and gifts we have received over the Christmas period – it is much appreciated. Thank you also to the brilliant group of people who came along last Wednesday to put up the stage and scenery for our play. If you would care to repeat your generosity in coming to dismantle the set next Sunday after the play, that would be great.

