

WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF ST JOSEPH, PONTEFRACT (Incorporating the Churches of St. Michael, Knottingley & St. Joseph, Tanshelf). Parish Priest: Canon Tim Wiley. Assistant Priest: Father Joshy Philip

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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY) (pg 255)	12/04	St Michael's	9:00am	Doreen Young
		St Joseph's	11:00am	People of the Parish
		St Michael's	3:00pm	Special Intention (Syro Malabar)
		St Joseph's	6:00pm	Emily Joan Saint
Monday	13/04	St Joseph's	1:45pm	Requiem for Dougie Wigglesworth
St Martin I, Pope and Martyr				
Tuesday	14/04	St Michael's	7:15pm	Kathleen & Bernard Burke
Wednesday	15/04	St Joseph's	11:15am	Joseph Thorpe
Thursday	16/04	St Michael's	11:00am	Anna
		St Joseph's	1:30pm	Requiem for Marion Gill
Friday	17/04	St Joseph's	6:15pm	Margaret Ashton (RIP)
Saturday	18/04	St Michael's	10:00am	Mary & Albert Morgan
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	19/04	St Michael's	9:00am	Peter Wilson
		St Joseph's	11:00am	People of the Parish
		St Joseph's	6:00pm	Canon Tom O' Connor

Confessions: St Michael's, Saturday: After Mass until 11 am.

St Joseph's, Friday 5:30pm to 6pm and on request

Silence before Mass Please respect silence before Mass. Please ensure that mobile phones are switched off! This is a precious time for people to pray and prepare themselves spiritually.

LATELY DEAD

Please pray for: Marion Gill, Dougie Wigglesworth and all those who have died recently, may they rest in peace and may all who mourn them be comforted.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please pray for: Francis Keane, Nick Yarsley, Christine Fenton, Eileen Darlison, Barbara Winwood, Eric Duker, Mary Musji, Gloria Jean Burden (nee Land), Kenneth Burns, Mary Slee

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED THIS WEEK

Joseph Thorpe, Margaret Thorpe, Thomas Thorpe, Dougie Wigglesworth, Private Intention (S), Game Family

SECOND COLLECTION: This Sunday 12th April after all Masses for LEPRO. For over 100 years Lepra has worked to reduce the physical, emotional and social harms caused by leprosy. Please visit lepra.org.uk to find out more or see posters on the notice boards.

PARISH NEWS

Canon Tim and Father Joshy would like to thank you for your generous Easter Offerings.

Offertory Envelopes are now ready for collection in the entrance to church. If your envelope number has changed it does not affect anything as it will still be linked to you.

Monday Nights with Mary – Come and Pray the Rosary with us at St Joseph’s Church every Monday at 6.30pm. Pray for yourselves, the church and the world. “Pray the rosary everyday” Our Lady of Fatima 1917. No Rosary this Monday.

PARISH POOL – Winning Numbers for 05/04/2026 are as follows:

1 st Prize	£500	128
2 nd Prize	£300	53
3 rd Prize	£200	54
4 th Prize	£100	97
Congratulations to the winners.		

Collections Standing Orders for March- £3046.00. Thank you for your support.



SVP - Next meeting will be on Monday 20th April 2026 at 7:00pm, at St Joseph’s, Pontefract.

‘Lunch with Us’ - Everyone is welcome to come and share our lunch on Thursday 23rd April 2026 after 11.00am Mass in St Michael’s Hall. Delicious soups, sandwiches, and cakes to share with friends.

Prayer meeting – Saturday after 10am Mass at St Michael’s Church, Knottingley. This is conducted by the St Michael’s and St Joseph’s prayer group and will be in Malayalam. All are welcome and there will be refreshments afterwards.

Sponsored walk - on Saturday 27th June, Bob Lawson and Dr Pat Mooney will be walking 26 miles across the Yorkshire Dales in aid of MacMillan Cancer Support. If you would like to sponsor them, please use the link below:
https://www.justgiving.com/page/robert-lawson-2?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL

DIOCESE NEWS

Consultation on the future of the Dioceses of Leeds & Middlesbrough

As part of the consultation currently taking place across our two Dioceses, there is an opportunity for all clergy, religious and members of the lay faithful to contribute by completing an online questionnaire, either individually or as a parish group. Prayerful reflection should be given to the questions so that the Holy Spirit may guide this process of discernment. Prayer resources and a presentation are available on the diocesan website to support this process. Responses should be submitted no later than Friday, 22nd May 2026. For more information and to complete the questionnaire, please visit:

<https://www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/leeds-middlesbrough-consultation-2026/>

Thank you for the time and prayer you can offer to this important task.

RECRUITMENT FOR TWO CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS:

St Carlo Acutis Catholic Education Trust (SCACET) and Blessed Chiara Badano Catholic Education Trust (BCBCET). The Diocese of Leeds invite applications for these two positions. Start date: September 2026. Closing date: Monday 20th April. For an informal and confidential discussion, please contact Kieron Flood, education.admin@dioceseofleeds.org.uk.

For further information, please see the poster at the back of Church.

DEPUTY HEADTEACHER VACANCY: St Paulinus Catholic Primary School, Dewsbury. Start: September 2026. Closing date: Sunday 19th April 2026. Visit <https://mynewterm.com/jobs/148485/EDV-2026-SPCPA-57364> for more details and to apply.

ASSISTANT HEADTEACHER - ACHIEVEMENT VACANCY: St. Mary’s, Menston, Start: September 2026. Closing date: Monday, 20 April 2026. Further info: bishopwheelercatholicacademytrust.org/Trust-Academy-Vacancies/. To discuss or arrange a visit, contact Ja.hughes@stmarysmenston.org

Vocations Prayer: The Bishop has asked that the following prayer be said after each Mass for Vocations. We will say the prayer after the Prayer to St. Michael.

Our Lady of Unfailing Help!

Pray that the Lord of the Harvest will send labourers into His harvest and that He will grant an abundance of vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life within the Diocese of Leeds, and throughout the world. Amen.