

WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF ST JOSEPH, PONTEFRACT

Incorporating the Churches of St. Michael, Knottingley & St. Joseph, Tanshelf

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SERVICES SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass Times

St Michael's.....09:00
St Joseph's.....11:30 & 18:00

Mass in Polish

St Joseph's: 2nd & 3rd Sunday of month...16:15

Syro Malabar Knanaya Mission Mass

St Michael's: 2nd Sunday of each month...15:00

Rosary:

St Joseph'safter weekday Mass
St Michael's.....30 mins before weekday Mass

Divine Mercy chaplet:

30 minutes before Friday Mass

Confessions

Scheduled Confession

St. Michael's: Saturdays.....10:45 to 11:20

St Joseph's: Sundays.....10:45 to 11:15

Or by appointment

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

St Joseph's: Wednesdays10:00 to 10:50

St Michael's: Saturdays10:45 to 11:20

Children's' Liturgy Groups

St Joseph's.....Sundays at 11.30am Mass
during school term time.

St Michael's.....Sundays at 9am Mass
throughout the year.

St Joseph's School Adult Prayer Group - Held in the loft, every Wednesday at 8.30am.

St Michael's School Adult Prayer Group - Held on Wednesday's at 8.30am.

This Week's Schedule & Mass Intentions

Sunday	25/08	St Michael's St Joseph's St Joseph's	09:00 11:30 18:00	People of the Parish Pat Smith Theo Peterson
<i>21st Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>				
Monday	26/08	NO SERVICE		
<i>Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God</i>				
Tuesday	27/08	NO SERVICE		
<i>St Monica</i>				
Wednesday	28/08	St. Joseph's	12:45	Funeral Service Judith Wilson
<i>St Augustine</i>				
Thursday	29/08	NO SERVICE		
<i>The Passion of St John the Baptist</i>				
Friday	30/08	NO SERVICE		
<i>Ss Margaret Clitheroe, Anne Line, & Margaret Ward</i>				
Saturday	31/08	NO SERVICE		
<i>St Aidan</i>				
Sunday	01/09	St Michael's St Joseph's St Joseph's	09:00 11:30 18:00	Priest's Private Intention. Annie McCormack Edna Cenon
<i>22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>				

LATELY DEAD

Please pray for Judith Wilson whose funeral takes place this Wednesday and for all who have died recently. May they rest in peace and may all who mourn them be comforted.

Last Week

Mass Count: **526**
Envelopes **£588**, Loose **£333**
This Week's Draws
St Michael's No. 96 David Hall - £20
St Joseph's No.26 C Ward - £20

MEETINGS

UCM – Wednesday 18th September,
7pm in St Michael's Hall
CAFOD – Thursday, 19th September,
7pm in St Joseph's Parish Rooms
SVP – tba

OUR LADY'S LAMP INTENTIONS For This Coming Week

St Joseph's Lady's Lamp Intention: - Ken Brown

St Michael's Lady's Lamp Intention: Norah Westmorlands & Liddin Family

If you wish to have a lamp burning night and day for an in front of the statues of Our Lady in either of churches then please take an envelope from the back of church, write on your intention and hand it to the priest. Please provide a minimum donation of £5 per envelope.

CHURCH CLEANING:

St Joseph's:
A Wheatley, C Macdonald, S Grace
St Michael's:
10am on the first Monday of the month
Help always welcome

You have often heard me quote St Francis along the lines of: "Once you have learnt to accept the little deaths of life, you won't be afraid of the Great Death when it comes". Leaving a parish is one of those 'little deaths' for us parish priests. When you have been very happy and content in said parish, as I have, it doesn't feel that 'little'. But this weekend I won't say 'goodbye' – with all the finality that the word seems to encapsulate – but rather 'Adios' which implies that we will see each other again when we go 'to God', if not before. I think 'Adios' is a much better expression of our Christian Faith. We shall meet again, in God's good time; and if it's been wonderful here (as it has been for me) how much more *faaaabulous* will it be when we meet again in Heaven. Thank you for looking after me and sharing your lives and Faith with me. Pray for me, as I will for you. ADIOS! – Fr Simon xxxx

SCHOOLS YEAR 5 RETREAT TO WALSINGHAM – The Yr 5 classes in both our primary schools are planning a 3-day retreat to Our Lady's Shrine in Walsingham. Needless to say, there is a cost involved, the most expensive part being transport. To this end, and to ensure that no child is left behind, we will have a retiring collection on Sunday, 8th September at all Masses, the proceeds of which will be divided between both schools. If you wish to make a donation at any time, please make cheques payable to "St Joseph's Church, Pontefract and place in an envelope marked "Yr5 Walsingham Pilgrimage".

RED MISSION BOXES. Will you please bring into church your boxes for emptying and collect the empty ones that are left at the back of church.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM – Saturday 28th September departing from St Joseph's at 6:30am and return at 5:30pm. To book a seat on the bus add your name to the list at the back of our churches and **pay £10 non-returnable deposit. A further £15 will be payable on the day of travel.** Children under the age of 16 go free.

BATLEY TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION – in honour of our Blessed Lady on Monday 7th October. To get a seat on the bus sign up at the back of church, price £10. Departure will be from St Joseph's at 6:45pm and return at 9:00pm.

Children's Liturgy Groups - St Joseph's – Sundays 11.30am Mass during school term time. St Michael's – Sundays at 9am Mass throughout the year.

In order to comply with Diocesan Safeguarding Regulations, **children can only attend the above on completion of a consent form. These are now available at the back of church. This applies to ALL children regardless of whether or not a form has been completed before.** Interested parents are asked to take a copy, read the accompanying notes, complete the form and submit it to a Liturgy leader on Sunday September 8th or at the first Sunday of attendance following this date. Thank you. Safeguarding team.

OTHER SERVICES – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions before Masses will not take place over the next few weeks. If you require Confession, then please approach any of the priests celebrating Mass.