

# WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF ST JOSEPH, PONTEFRACT

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

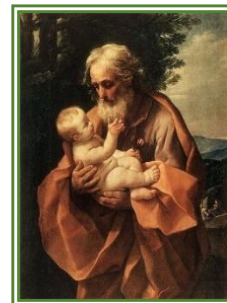
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15 <sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	13/07	St Michael's	9:00am	Exam Results -Success
		St Joseph's	11:00am	Patrick Duffy (RIP)
		St Michael's	3:00pm	Special Intention (Syro Malabar)
		St Joseph's	6:00pm	People of the Parish
Monday <i>St Camillus de Lellis, Priest</i>	14/07	St Joseph's	10:15am	Sir Bill O' Brien
Tuesday <i>St Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i>	15/07	St Michael's	7:15pm	Dead List
Wednesday <i>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</i>	16/07	St Joseph's	11:15am	Special Intention
		St Joseph's	2:00pm	School Leavers Mass (Dead List)
Thursday	17/07	H.F.S.M	9:15am	School Leavers Mass (Fr James Shyrane LD))
		St Michael's	11:00am	Burke & Graham Families
Friday <i>THE DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL</i>	18/07	St Joseph's	6:15pm	Martin Hyde
Saturday <i>Mass of Our Lady</i>	19/07	St Michael's	10:00am	Peter Clarke
16 <sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	20/07	St Michael's	9:00am	Clare Heyhoe & Cranshaw Family
		St Joseph's	11:00am	Doris and William M <sup>c</sup> Lean (Anniversary)
		St Joseph's	6:00pm	People of the Parish

**Confessions:** St Michael's, Saturday: After Mass until 11am. St Joseph's, Friday 5:30pm to 6pm and on request

### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT (Exposition will begin about 45 minutes before Mass)

Monday	St Joseph's	Before 10:15am Mass
Wednesday	St Joseph's	Before 11:15am Mass
Friday	St Joseph's	Before 6:15pm Mass
Saturday	St Michael's	Before 10:00am Mass

**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: Veronica Ellam 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, Margaret Clamp, Eric Duker, Mary Musji

### MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED THIS WEEK

Ryder Family, Carmel Keane (RIP), In Thanksgiving, In Thanksgiving for Favours Received, Game Family, In Thanksgiving for God's Goodness to Us, Mary & Jim Croston, Doris & William McLean (Anniversary), Monica Green (RIP)

### FOR MASS INTENTIONS

- Hand to Canon Tim or Father Joshy after Mass (envelopes available in the entrance to both Churches)
- Post in the letterbox on the door into the Parish Rooms at St Joseph's.
- Send via post to the Presbytery
- Please state the name and Intention (e.g. Sick, Anniversary, RIP, Birthday etc).
- If you wish a particular day, please mention.
- (2 weeks' notice is needed).
- Note - one of the Masses on Sunday is said for The People of the Parish.

### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

*Baptism: Please see Canon Tim after Sunday Mass if you wish to arrange a Baptism.*

*Marriage: At least 6 months' notice needs to be given.*

For information regarding all Sacramental Preparation (First confession, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, Baptisms, Adults received into the Church, Adult Confirmation and Marriage please see the Parish Website <https://parishofstjoseph.co.uk/bulletin-%26-news>

FOR A POLISH TRANSLATION OF THE ABOVE GO TO <https://parishofstjoseph.co.uk/bulletin-%26-news>

### COLLECTIONS

Thank you for your continued support and generosity

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July

Envelopes - £283.00  
Loose Plate – £569.00

Standing Orders For June  
£2660

### OFFERINGS

There is now a Link on the Parish Website Offertory Page (<https://parishofstjoseph.co.uk/offertory>) where you can make a Donation to the Parish. The Link takes you to a page where you can set the amount you wish to donate and then put in your Card Details. You will then be asked if you wish to "Gift Aid" your donation. If you are a Taxpayer and wish to Gift Aid your Donation, then the Parish will be able to claim a further 25% to add to your donation.



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**St Joseph's Church will be open Monday-Friday 8:00am to 4:00pm.**

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY ON SUNDAYS AT ST MICHAEL'S** during 9am Mass & **ST JOSEPH'S** during 11 am Mass on alternate weeks.

**SUNDAY REFRESHMENTS** –served after the 9am Mass in St Michael's Hall & after the 11am Mass in St Joseph's School Hall.

**St Joseph's retaining wall:** Permission has been given by all the necessary committees! for the repair work on the wall to begin. The Architect is awaiting health and safety documents from the Contractors via the Diocese before the work can commence. The work is going to cost in the region of £37,000 (in VAT). Your continued support is very much needed and appreciated. **The work will begin on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> August and will take 4-5 weeks.**

**Second Collection** for Retired Priests and Peters Pence raised £327.00. Thank you or your generosity.

## PARISH NEWS



**Calling out for new choir members for St Michael's Church Choir!**

Interested... let Janet or a choir member know.

You don't have to have done experience. It's an opportunity to share business with our congregation.

Choir practice will be on each: **MONDAY evening** at St Michaels Church the first one is: **25<sup>th</sup> July '25 7.00pm**

ST MICHAELS CHOIRS AN INCLUSIVE CHOIR, SO NO AUDITIONS JUST COME AND SING

Whilst its light in the evening we will start at 7.00pm as the nights draw-in we will start a bit earlier

Everyone can sing, & singing is an uplifting & joyous experience

Come along and sing with us give it a try

If you would like to come along but don't have transport, let Janet (M@C) or one of the choir know and we can arrange lifts for you

We sing together at Sunday morning Mass 9am & any occasions the Cannon would like this choir to sing

### PARISH POOL – Winning Numbers for 06/07/25 are 2 and 37. Congratulations.

If you would like to join, then can you select a number(S) in the entrance to either Church before the following Masses or by going to the church hall after the 9am Mass at St Michael's or 11am Mass at St Joseph's. Each number will be £1 per week.



**WRAP**  
Welcoming  
Refugees

Anyone who is able to contribute towards WRAP funds may pay into our Bank Account.  
Account name: Catholic Care (Diocese of Leeds)  
Sort Code 05-00-05  
Account number 10508810

Thank you for your continued support

**Prayer meeting** – There will be a prayer meeting on the Second Saturday of each month from 4pm to 5pm 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.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



**'Lunch with Us' - Everyone is welcome to come and share our lunch on**

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2025 after 11.00am Mass in St Michael's Hall. Delicious soups, sandwiches, and cakes to share with friends.

**SVP** - Next meeting will be on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July at 7:00pm at St Joseph's.

**Want to become a Catholic?** If you are considering becoming a Catholic, there will be a meeting on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm in the parish Rooms at St Joseph's.



**Faith & Friendship Group**

**No F&F meeting August 2025**

Next meeting is 3<sup>rd</sup> September....

Which will be a Flower craft evening

## DIOCESE NEWS

**LEEDS CATHEDRAL GUIDED TOURS SUMMER PROGRAMME:** Free Guided Tours will take place on the following dates, starting at 1.30pm: Sat. 23 August. The tours last about 1 hour. No booking required. On arrival, please gather by the Baptismal Font at the back of the Cathedral.

**PONTEFRACT AND WAKEFIELD DEANERY JUBILEE MASSES:** There will be a series of special Jubilee Masses in some of the churches in the Deanery. Parishioners are encouraged to go to some or all of these Masses and so become 'pilgrims' in this Holy Year whose theme is Pilgrims of Hope. Jubilee Masses are: Tuesday 15 July - St John's Normanton; Tuesday 9 September - St Michael's Knottingley. All Jubilee Masses start at 7.00pm.

**HOLDING HOPE - ONLINE REFLECTION:** Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July 7-8pm. Leeds Diocese older people's charity Growing Old Gracefully is hosting a hour-long Zoom reflection exploring how to hold on to Christian hope as we journey through life. Led by Paula Shanks and Mgr. Donal Lucey. All welcome. To book a place, please email [growing.old.gracefully@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:growing.old.gracefully@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

## VACANCIES

**PARISH YOUTH & MISSION COORDINATOR JOB OPPORTUNITY:** The parishes of St Benedict Garforth's and St Joseph's Sherburn have created an exciting new position to grow faith among our youth and young adults together with their families. Min 20 hours per week. Hours include evening and weekends. Salary: £26-30K pro rata. For application pack email [office.stbenedict@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:office.stbenedict@dioceseofleeds.org.uk). For an informal conversation call Fr Henry Longbottom on 0113 261 8063. Closing date Thu 17 July. Interview 23 July at St Benedict's.

**APPRENTICE ASSISTANT TO LAY CHAPLAIN VACANCY:** Notre Dame Catholic Sixth Form College, Leeds. Start: September 2025 or as soon after Closing date: Monday 25 August 2025. Further info: please visit <https://www.notredamecoll.ac.uk/vacancies> To discuss or arrange a visit, contact Louise Jackson [l.jackson@notredamecoll.ac.uk](mailto:l.jackson@notredamecoll.ac.uk)

**ASSISTANT TO LAY CHAPLAIN VACANCY:** Notre Dame Catholic Sixth Form College, Leeds. Start: September 2025 or as soon after Closing date: Monday 25 August 2025. Further info: please visit <https://www.notredamecoll.ac.uk/vacancies> To discuss or arrange a visit, contact Louise Jackson [l.jackson@notredamecoll.ac.uk](mailto:l.jackson@notredamecoll.ac.uk)

## 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Entrance Antiphon - Cf. Ps 16:15

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

### Collect

O God, who show the light of your truth to those who go astray, so that they may return to the right path, give all who for the faith they profess are accounted Christians the grace to reject whatever is contrary to the name of Christ and to strive after all that does it honour. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

### First reading - Deuteronomy 30:10-14

Moses spoke to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keep his commandments and his statutes that are written in this Book of the Law, turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul. 'For this commandment that I command you today is not too hard for you, neither is it far off. It is not in heaven, that you should say, "Who will ascend to heaven for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?" Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, "Who will go over the sea for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?" But the word is very near you. It is in your mouth and in your heart, so that you can do it.'

### Responsorial Psalm

**R:** *Seek God, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.*

I pray to you, O Lord, at an acceptable time. In your great mercy, answer me, O God, with your faithful salvation. Lord, answer, for your mercy is kind; in your great compassion, turn toward me. **R:**

As for me in my poverty and pain, let your salvation, O God, raise me up. Then I will praise God's name with a song; I will glorify him with thanksgiving. **R:**

The poor when they see it will be glad, and God-seeking hearts will revive; for the Lord attends to the needy, and does not spurn his own in their chains. **R:**

For God will bring salvation to Sion, and rebuild the cities of Judah. The children of his servants shall inherit it; those who love his name shall dwell there. **R:**

### Second reading - Colossians 1:15-20

Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities — all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the Church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be pre-eminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and

through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

### Gospel Acclamation - Cf. John 6:63c, 68c

Alleluia, alleluia. Your words, O Lord, are Spirit and life; you have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

### Gospel - Luke 10:25-37

At that time: Behold, a lawyer stood up to put Jesus to the test, saying, 'Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? How do you read it?' And he answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' And he said to him, 'You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.' But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, "Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back." Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbour to the man who fell among the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' And Jesus said to him, 'You go, and do likewise.'

### Prayer over the Offerings

Look upon the offerings of the Church, O Lord, as she makes her prayer to you, and grant that, when consumed by those who believe, they may bring ever greater holiness. Through Christ our Lord.

### Communion Antiphon - Cf. Ps 83: 4-5

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

### Prayer after Communion

Having consumed these gifts, we pray, O Lord, that, by our participation in this mystery, its saving effects upon us may grow. Through Christ our Lord.