

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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EASTER SUNDAY – He has risen as He said Alleluia

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD (pg 251)	05/04	St Michael's	9:00am	Peter Wilson
		St Joseph's	11:00am	Dead List
Monday	06/04	St Joseph's	10:15am	Majella Gilbertson
Tuesday	07/04	St Michael's	7:15pm	Deceased Family & Relatives of the Cave Family
Wednesday	08/04	St Joseph's	11:15am	Lily Fernades
Thursday	09/04	St Michael's	11:00am	Private Intention
Friday	10/04	St Joseph's	6:15pm	Maureen Walsh (Birthday)
Saturday	11/04	St Michael's	10:00am	Private Intention (P.W. Family)
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER	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

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

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: Canon Tom O'Connor, 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

Dougie Wigglesworth (Lately Dead)

Thank you. To all who have helped prepare for the Easter Celebrations. To our Musicians, Readers, Eucharist Ministers, Altar Servers, welcomers, for the Sacristy work, linen cleaners, flowers.

Canon Tim and Fr Joshy would like to wish you all a Happy and Holy Easter

PARISH NEWS

SECOND COLLECTION: Next Sunday 12th April after all Masses for LEpra. 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.



Catholic Agency for Overseas Development

Thank you for the wonderful support given to the CAFOD raffle which raised £135. Your generous support will help communities find innovative sustainable ways of growing enough food in harsh conditions, like a flood resistant floating garden, or a solar powered water pump for times of drought so they can feed their families.



A big thank you to everyone for supporting the bacon butties at St Michaels and St Josephs. £250 was raised for WRAP.

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.

Reading at Mass: We need more readers for Sunday Masses especially the 6pm, if you are interested see Canon Tim

PARISH POOL – Winning Numbers for 29/03/2026 are: 13 and 150. Congratulations to the winners.

Collections (29/03/26) Envelopes £334.00, Loose Plate £623.00. 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 9th April 2026 after 11.00am Mass in St Michael's Hall. Delicious soups, sandwiches, and cakes to share with friends.

RED BOXES – Thank you to all those who returned their red boxes.

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.

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.

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.