

WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF ST JOSEPH, PONTEFRACT

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

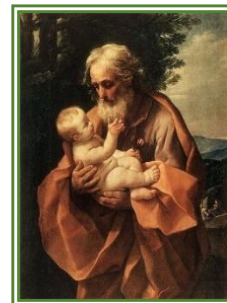
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SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES	29/06	St Michael's	9:00am	In Thanksgiving
		St Joseph's	11:00am	Anne Wheatley (Anniversary)
		St Joseph's	6:00pm	People of the Parish
Monday	30/06	St Joseph's	10:15am	Peter Clarke
Tuesday	01/07	St Michael's	7:15pm	Private Intention (N.W)
Wednesday	02/07	St Joseph's	11:15am	Brian Clancy
Thursday	03/07	St Michael's	11:00am	Kathleen Hughes
ST THOMAS, APOSTLE				
Friday	04/07	St Joseph's	9:30am	Intention of Pope Leo XIV (School Mass)
		St Joseph's	6:15pm	Stephen Wiles
Saturday	05/07	St Joseph's	10:00am	First Holy Communion
14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	06/07	St Michael's	9:00am	Annamma Kuriakose Kattakayam
		St Joseph's	11:00am	Sir Bill O'Brien (RIP)
		St Michael's	3:00pm	Special Intention (Syro Malabar)
		St Joseph's	6:00pm	Margaret (nee Banks) & Peter Holden Golden Wedding Anniversary

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: David France, Monica Green, 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

Annamma Kuriakose Kattakayam, Joseph Thomas Kuttakayam, Biju K John, Exam Results Success, Private Intention, Father Simon Lodge, Magdalen Baughan

FOR MASS INTENTIONS

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. |
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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 22nd June

Envelopes - £334.00
Loose Plate – £404.00

Standing Orders For May
£2800

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.

Second Collection in June will be today, Sunday 29th June and will be for - The retired Priests fund and for Peters Pence.

First Holy Communions, please keep in your prayers our Children who are making their First Holy Communions.

PARISH NEWS

Lost Keys – If you have left a set of keys at St Joseph's Church, please see Canon Tim.

PARISH POOL – Winning Numbers for 22/06/25 are 9 and 123. 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.



We have just come to the end of Refugee Week. The theme of which was "Community as a Superpower" Our parish community has been and continues to be a superpower with its help and support for WRAP as we strive to sponsor a Refugee Family and bring them to a place of safety.

Pope Francis told us "Every migrant has a name, a face and a story" The fundraising has seen a wonderful outpouring of generosity and goodwill which is a true witness of "Love for One Another " as taught by Our Blessed Lord

Thank you for the recent Lenten appeal which raised £724

Thank you to the staff of Tulsi Restaurant who hosted a fundraising night with their diners, raising £2000 for WRAP funds.

Mass has been offered for the intentions of all those who have prayed for and supported, in any way, the WRAP project.

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

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. *It is hoped that the work will begin at the end of July.*

Prayer meeting – There will be 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 3rd 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 30th June at 7:00pm at St Joseph's.



DIOCESE NEWS

LEEDS CATHEDRAL GUIDED TOURS SUMMER PROGRAMME: Free Guided Tours will take place on the following dates, starting at 1.30pm: Sat. 12 July; and 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.

VACANCIES

INSTITUTE OF OUR LADY OF MERCY VACANCIES, YEADON: Senior Finance Officer (Full time, initially for one year but envisaged to become permanent) Salary: £35-37k + Benefits. Closing Date: CV's 7 July, 9am. Initial online discussions 10 July, interviews 21 July. Further details and to apply with your CV contact: tracey.rogers-thomas@iolmercy.org.uk /telephone: 0113 250 0253.

CATHOLIC CARE ARE RECRUITING: Support Worker, £24,892 - £26,096 pro rata (based on qualifications and experience), shifts patterns to include weekends and bank holidays) Location : Skipton, please contact recruitment@catholic-care.org.uk for an application form

Saint Peter & St Paul

Entrance Antiphon

These are the ones who, living in the flesh, planted the Church with their blood; they drank the chalice of the Lord and became the friends of God.

Collect

O God, who on the Solemnity of the Apostles Peter and Paul give us the noble and holy joy of this day, grant, we pray, that your Church may in all things follow the teaching of those through whom she received the beginnings of right religion. 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 - Acts 12:1-11

In those days: Herod the king laid violent hands on some who belonged to the church. He killed James the brother of John with the sword, and when he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. This was during the days of Unleavened Bread. And when he had seized him, he put him in prison, delivering him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending after the Passover to bring him out to the people. So Peter was kept in prison, but earnest prayer for him was made to God by the church. Now when Herod was about to bring him out, on that very night, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains, and sentries before the door were guarding the prison. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood next to him, and a light shone in the cell. He struck Peter on the side and woke him, saying, 'Get up quickly.' And the chains fell off his hands. And the angel said to him, 'Dress yourself and put on your sandals.' And he did so. And he said to him, 'Wrap your cloak round you and follow me.' And he went out and followed him. He did not know that what was being done by the angel was real, but thought he was seeing a vision. When they had passed the first and the second guard, they came to the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went out and went along one street, and immediately the angel left him. When Peter came to himself, he said, 'Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hand of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting.'

Responsorial Psalm - Ps 34(33):2-3. 4-5. 6-7. 8-9. R5

R: *From all my terrors the Lord set me free.*

I will bless the Lord at all times, praise of him is always in my mouth. In the Lord my soul shall make its boast; the humble shall hear and be glad. **R:**

Glorify the Lord with me; together let us praise his name. I sought the Lord, and he answered me; from all my terrors he set me free. **R:**

Look towards him and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed. This lowly one called; the Lord heard, and rescued him from all his distress. **R:**

The angel of the Lord is encamped around those who fear him, to rescue them. Taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed the man who seeks refuge in him. **R:**

Second reading - 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

Beloved: I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me, but also to all who have loved his appearing. The Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation - Matthew 16:18

Alleluia, alleluia. You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. Alleluia.

Gospel - Matthew 16:13-19

At that time: When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter replied, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.'

Prayer over the Offerings

May the prayer of the Apostles, O Lord, accompany the sacrificial gift that we present to your name for consecration, and may their intercession make us devoted to you in celebration of the sacrifice. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon - Cf. Mt 16: 16, 18

Peter said to Jesus: You are the Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus replied: You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.

Prayer after Communion

Grant us, O Lord, who have been renewed by this Sacrament, so to live in the Church, that, persevering in the breaking of the Bread and in the teaching of the Apostles, we may be one heart and one soul, made steadfast in your love. Through Christ our Lord.

Solemn Blessing

May almighty God bless you, for he has made you steadfast in Saint Peter's saving confession and through it has set you on the solid rock of the Church's faith. Amen.

And having instructed you by the tireless preaching of Saint Paul, may God teach you constantly by his example to win brothers and sisters for Christ. Amen.

So that by the keys of St Peter and the words of St Paul, and by the support of their intercession, God may bring us happily to that homeland that Peter attained on a cross and Paul by the blade of a sword. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. Amen.