

WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF ST JOSEPH, PONTEFRACT

Incorporating the Churches of St. Michael, Knottingley & St. Joseph, Tanshelf
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Our Churches will be open 15 minutes before the start of Mass

Sunday 7 th Sunday of Easter	16/05	St Michael's	9:15am	People of the Parish
		St Joseph's	11:15am	Laurence & Mary Wiley (Anniversary)
Monday	17/05			Requiem
Tuesday	18/05	St Michael's	7:15pm	Foundation Mass
Wednesday	19/05	St Joseph's	11:15am	Gordon Lumb
Thursday	20/05			Dead List
Friday	21/04	St Joseph's	6:15pm	Mary & Albert Morgan
Saturday	22/05	St Michael's	11:15am	Tom & Nellie Dickinson (Anniversary)
Pentecost Sunday	23/05	St Michael's	9:15am	In Thanksgiving
		St Joseph's	11:15am	People of the Parish

Mass at St Joseph's on Sunday, 16th May is fully booked and there is only 1 seat in the body of the church at St Michael's and only the benches at each the side of the altar available.

If you haven't booked, then we cannot guarantee that you will get a seat and may be turned away.

Reasonable spare capacity at all other Masses.

If you are coming to Mass, it is important to book you place in advance using the Telephone Booking Line to ensure you get a seat.

CONFESSIONS - Before Mass on the Sanctuary at St Joseph's, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and by Our Lady's Statue at St Michael's on Saturday.

LATELY DEAD

Please pray for **Maria (Mary) Bowers, Margaret Thorpe, Margaret Wilson**

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:

Connie Clamp, Francis Keane, Joan Belanger,
Kathleen Bourke, Alberta Burns,

And all those affected by the Coronavirus.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED THIS WEEK.

Roger Metcalf (Anniversary), Arthur Carney (RIP), Jean and Arthur Carney (RIP).

FOR MASS INTENTIONS

- Hand to Canon Tim after Mass
- 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.
- Mass on Sunday is always said for the intentions of all the Parish and Parishioners.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS OUR YOUNG PARISHIONERS

Congratulations to our Children who have Received First Holy Communion this last week and to those who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday Evening at St. Michael's.

Also to our Children who celebrated First Confession on Thursday, and please keep in your prayers further Children who celebrate their First Confession on Wednesday.

A further group of our children will celebrate First Holy Communion in July.

Thank you for the donations to Church Funds received at Arthur Carney's Funeral which totalled **£125.20**



St Vincent
de Paul Society
England and Wales
Turning Concern into Action

The SVP are asking for large furniture items such as beds, wardrobes, drawers and sofas. If have anything you could offer, then call 0113 450800 to arrange collection.

A message from Canon Tim – Preparing to get back to normal.

A great deal has been going on during the lockdowns and a big thank you to those who have been able to attend Mass, and have helped with Reading, organ playing, Serving at Mass, Cleaning the Church, Laundry of Church Linen, and of course the Stewards who have made it possible to keep our Churches open and have the celebration of Mass.

Also the repair work done to St Joseph's Church Fall pipes and Guttering, during Lockdown. This is First of a number of Schemes of work which need to be done at St Joseph's as soon as we can get permission as a Grade 2# listed Building.

To ensure we are ready as a Parish when normality returns, we need to begin to make preparations in the following areas.

- **Readers Rota** – For Sunday Masses we will need to have in place a Readers Rota. If you are still available for Reading on a Sunday, could you either telephone Canon Tim or contract him on the Parish Email Address. (office.stjoseph.pontefract@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)
- **Sacraments** - our Two Parish Primary Schools have been excellent and so supportive of our Children being prepared for and Celebrating the Sacraments. There are also Children not in our Parish Schools who will need to be prepared for the Sacraments. If you want to re-join our team of Catechists to help to prepare our Children or become one for the first time, please contact Canon Tim (Safeguarding checks will of course have to be carried out).

We will also look forward to the return of:

- **Altar Servers** - We will welcome back our young Parishioners as Altar Servers.
- **After Mass Refreshments** - We hope to restart our Coffees and Teas after Mass, as well as the weekly Pools, and of course the great folk who will lead our Children's Liturgy each Sunday.
- **Choirs** – When we are able to sing again at Mass, let us raise the Roof of our Churches, and maybe even consider joining the Choirs.
- **Exposition** - Exposition before weekday Masses will also resume as well as devotional Prayers before Mass, as the Post Mass prayers have continued.

VACANCY – PARISH SECRETARY

We are recruiting for the position of Parish Secretary to work in the Parish Office at St Joseph's. The hours of working will be Tuesday, 10am to 2pm and Friday 10am to 2pm with extra hours as may be agree with our Parish Priest. We are looking for someone who has good organisational skills, an ability to operate Office Equipment including basic Computer skills, copier and printer use. Also, knowledge of Microsoft Office for word processing, spreadsheets and presentation creation with the ability to learn other software (e.g. Financial Accounts) as may be required.

The successful applicant will be required to act with tact, discretion and a respect for confidentiality.

If you are interested and would like further information about the role, please email

office.stjoseph.pontefract@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

TO BOOK A PLACE FOR MASS - Phone 07709 091786

Bookings can only be made by calling:

Thursday - 10:30am & 12:30pm, 6:30pm & 7:30pm Friday - 10:30am & 12:30pm

Bookings can be made for yourself, your Household, on behalf of another Individual or another Household. The seating plans for our Churches set out below are now also on the Home Page of the Parish Website <https://parishofstjoseph.co.uk/>

NHS COVID-19 APP and QR CODE - In the porch of each of our Churches there are now posters with a QR code which those who have downloaded the NHS COVID-19 App can use to scan and check in.

GUIDELINES FOR VISITING OUR CHURCHES.

ST JOSEPH'S - Entrance and Exit is by the door at the end of the footbridge next to the school.

ST MICHAEL'S - Entrance and Exit is through the main doors at the front.

When arriving and leaving Church please adhere to **Social Distancing Rules** and "Keep 2 metres apart from others". If you have to queue to get in or out, then please ensure that you keep 2 metres apart from whoever is in front of you. Also please maintain your distance when following someone who may not be able to walk quite as fast as you.

Everyone coming to church must wear a face covering unless they are children under the age of 11 or exempt from doing so for medical reasons. Please ensure that you have a face-covering/mask with you and put it on before entering church.

Alcohol Hand Gel will be available and must be used to sanitise hands on entry and exit.

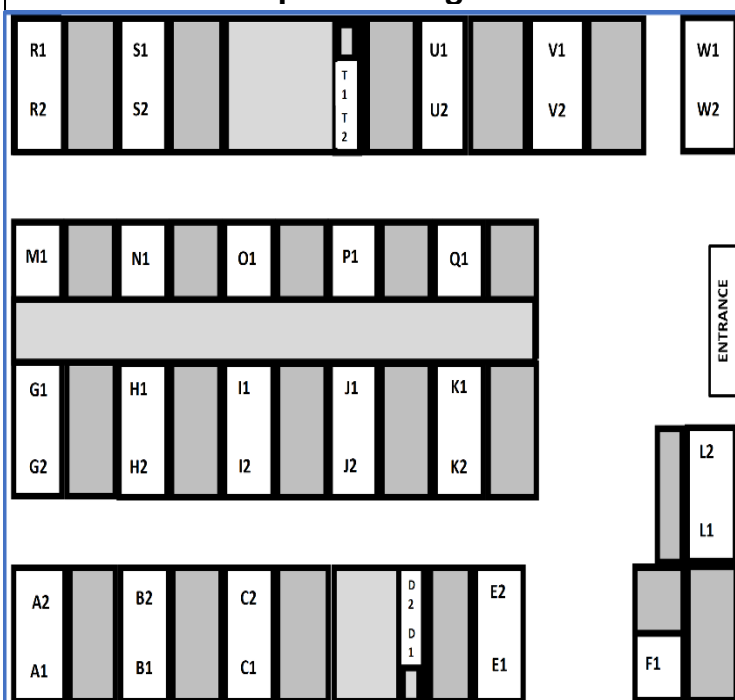
Communion will be brought to everyone in their place.

Visitors are to remain in their seat at the end of Mass until a Steward advises that they can leave church.

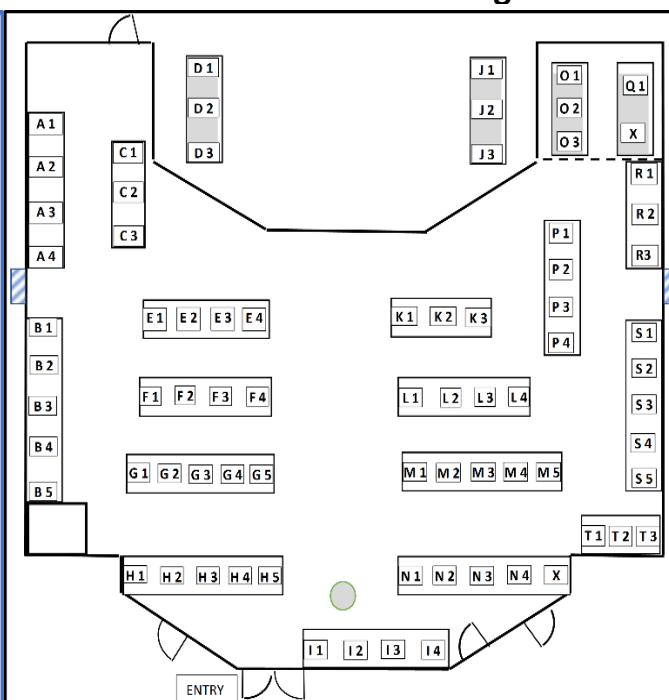
Please follow the advice and guidance of the Stewards when arriving and leaving church. It is especially important that everyone maintains the social distancing rules when arriving at church and leaving. We appreciate that visitors may wish to meet up with friends but in these difficult times, we must ask you to follow the rules and leave church and the grounds promptly under the guidance of the Stewards after Mass.

There will be no Toilet facilities available at St Joseph's. Please ask a Steward if you wish to use the Toilet at St Michael's.

St Joseph's Seating



St Michael's Seating



A PRAYER TO IMPLORE GOD TO END THIS PANDEMIC.

Almighty and eternal God, our refuge in every danger,
to whom we turn in our distress.
In faith we pray, look with compassion on the afflicted,
Grant eternal rest to the dead,
Comfort to mourners,
Healing to the sick,
Peace to the dying,
Strength to healthcare workers,
Wisdom to our leaders,
And the courage to reach out to all in love, so that
together we may give glory to your holy name.

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.

THE ANGELUS

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.

R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary,

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

R. Be it done unto me according to thy word.

Hail Mary,

V. And the Word was made Flesh.

R. And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary,

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of
Christ.

LET US PRAY - Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord,
Thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the
Incarnation of Christ Thy Son was made known by the
message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross ✠
be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. Through
the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

HAIL HOLY QUEEN

Hail, holy Queen, mother of mercy: hail, our life, our
sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor
banished children of Eve; to you do we send up our
sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears.
Turn then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy
towards us; and after this our exile, show unto us the
blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving,
O sweet Virgin Mary.

THE MEMORARE

Remember, O most loving Virgin Mary, that it is a thing
unheard of, that anyone ever had recourse to your
protection, implored your help, or sought your
intercession, and was left forsaken.

Filled therefore with confidence in your goodness I fly
to you, O Mother, Virgin of virgins.

To you I come, before you I stand, a sorrowful sinner.

Despise not my words, O Mother of the Word, but
graciously hear and grant my prayer.

Amen.

THE MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY

Glorious Mystery Of The Rosary (on Wednesday &
Sunday)

- I. The Resurrection of Jesus Christ
- II. The Ascension of Jesus to Heaven
- III. The Descent of the Holy Ghost
- IV. The Assumption of Mary into Heaven
- V. Mary is Crowned as Queen of Heaven and
Earth

Luminous Mystery Of The Rosary (Thursday)

- I. The Baptism in the Jordan
- II. The Wedding at Cana
- III. The Proclamation of the Kingdom
- IV. The Transfiguration
- V. The Institution of the Eucharist

Sorrowful Mystery Of The Rosary (Tuesday & Friday)

- I. The Agony of Jesus in the Garden
- II. The Scourging at the Pillar
- III. Jesus is Crowned with Thorns
- IV. Jesus Carried the Cross
- V. The Crucifixion of our Lord

Joyful Mystery Of The Rosary (Monday & Saturday)

- I. The Annunciation of the Lord to Mary
- II. The Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth
- III. The Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ
- IV. The Presentation of our Lord
- V. Finding Jesus in the Temple at age 12