

WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF ST JOSEPH, PONTEFRACT

Incorporating the Churches of St. Michael, Knottingley & St. Joseph, Tanshelf
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Canon Tim and Fr Bernard wish you all a very Happy and Holy Easter.

Our Churches will be open 15 minutes before the start of Mass

Sunday <i>EASTER DAY</i>	04/04	St Michael's	9:15am	COVID Victims and Families
		St Joseph's	11:15am	People of the Parish
Monday	05/04	St Joseph's	10:15am	Parents of Baby Evelyn Anne
Tuesday	06/04	St Michael's	7:15pm	Gordon Lumb (Anniversary)
Wednesday	07/04	St Joseph's	11:15am	James Walsh (Birthday Memories)
Thursday	08/04			Christine Niczyperowicz (Anniversary)
Friday	09/04	St Joseph's	6:15pm	John & Ellen Reacroft (Anniversary)
Saturday	10/04	St Michael's	11:15am	Gina Maguire (RIP)
Sunday <i>Divine Mercy Sunday</i>	11/04	St Michael's	9:15am	People of the Parish
		St Joseph's	11:15am	Canon Joe Finan (RIP)

EASTER SUNDAY-

Unfortunately, both Masses on Easter Sunday are fully booked so there are no spare seats available.

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 Austin Melody, Anne Binns 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, Joan Belanger, Arthur Carney,
Kathleen Bourke, Alberta Burns,
And all those affected by the Coronavirus.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED THIS WEEK.

Catherine Atherton (Lately Dead), In Thanksgiving (for Service to the Church)

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.

MESSAGE FROM CANON TIM

Thank you: to all who have help to get us ready for Holy week and Easter, for the cleaning in both Churches, for the flowers, for the music at the Liturgies, our Readers, the Altar Servers and especially to our Stewards who have made all our Services and Masses over Lent, Holy Week and Easter possible because of their support and dedication.



On behalf of the parish CAFOD group, Hannah and Kate Jones are taking on the Walk for Water Challenge. They will be walking 10,000 steps a day between them for the 40 days of Lent to raise money and to show solidarity with those who have to walk miles to get safe drinking water.

Update from Hannah and Kate: "We've completed the Walk for Water and we've raised £673 – far beyond our original target of £250! We've been so inspired by your generosity, and your support really encouraged us to keep walking. With your kind donations, CAFOD can fund bikes for water engineers to service water pumps, provide families with water containers and buy safe water for schools. All this will make a huge difference to people who currently have to walk miles to access clean water. Thank you so much."

If you would like to donate, please visit the CAFOD group's JustGiving page here: <https://bit.ly/3aPCers>

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

We are preparing the boxes of Offertory Envelopes for the next Financial Year and as a first step, if you have box of envelopes and you have booked a place at Mass then the new box will be available for you to collect at the church where you have booked. Arrangements will be made over the following weeks to make more of the boxes available for collection. If you want us to leave your box at either St Joseph's or St Michael's, then please tell one of the Stewards or get in touch with the Parish preferably by email.

This may seem like a lengthy process, but we are cautiously trying to avoid any congestion as parishioners arrive or leave church so that we can maintain social distancing and not put anyone at risk.

RED MISSION BOXES - If you have any of these boxes and wish to pass on your collections, then you can leave them at the back of St Joseph's or St Michael's when they are open.

SAFEGUARDING – We have created a page on our website to provide information and advice about Safeguarding in our Parish. You can find the page at <https://parishofstjoseph.co.uk/safeguarding>
We are also seeking a volunteer to be an additional Safeguarding Representative to help implement our safeguarding policy and procedures. Training is available through the Diocese. Anyone interested can contact Julie Birch (Tel 01977 277083 or email julbirch@talktalk.net), for more information and/or to express their interest directly to our Parish Priest Canon Tim.

TELEPHONE BOOKING LINE

If you have plans to be at any of our Masses, then please call the Telephone Booking Line on Thursday or Friday to book your place in advance.

Please note that you can only book your place(s) by speaking to us on Telephone Booking Line during its opening times set out below.

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/>



TO BOOK A PLACE FOR MASS - Phone 07709 091786
Bookings can only be made by calling on
Thursday between 10am & 12 Noon, 6:30pm & 7:30pm
Friday between 10am & 12 Noon





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.



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.

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.

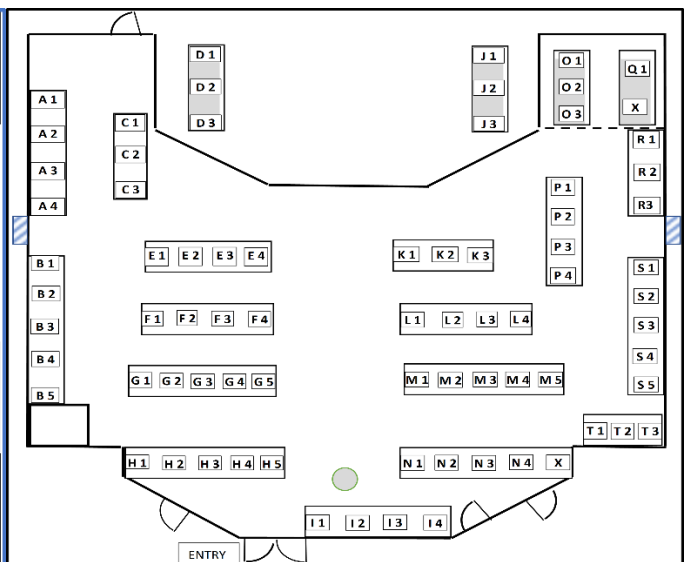
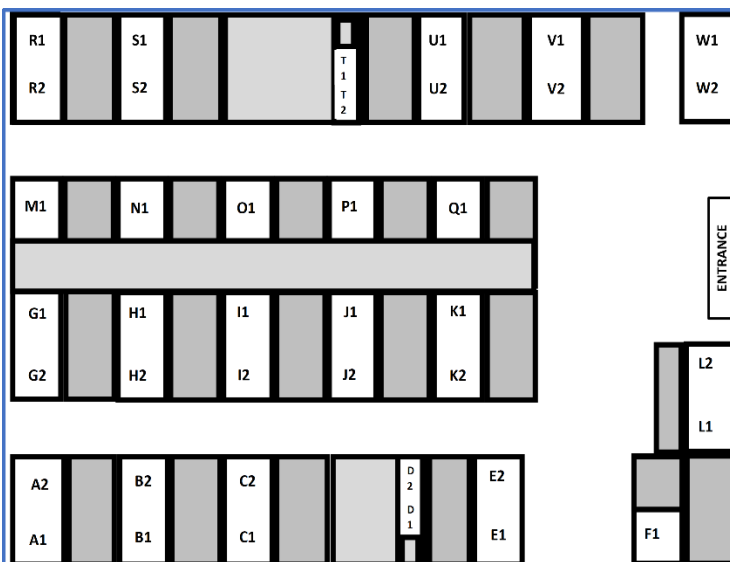
Visitors are to remain in their seat at the end of Mass until a Steward advises that they can leave church.

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 either church.

St Joseph’s Seating

St Michael’s Seating



Praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy



Conclude with:

Holy God, Holy Mighty One,
Holy Immortal One, have
mercy on us and on the whole
world. (Three times)

THE DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

The particular souls prayed
for on each day of the novena are:

- DAY 1 (Good Friday) – All mankind, especially sinners
- DAY 2 (Holy Saturday) – The souls of priests and religious
- DAY 3 (Easter Sunday) – All devout and faithful souls
- DAY 4 (Easter Monday) – Those who do not believe in Jesus and those who do not yet know Him
- DAY 5 (Easter Tuesday) – The souls of separated brethren
- DAY 6 (Easter Wednesday) – The meek and humble souls and the souls of children
- DAY 7 (Easter Thursday) – The souls who especially venerate and glorify Jesus' mercy
- DAY 8 (Easter Friday) – The souls who are detained in purgatory;
- DAY 9 (Easter Saturday) – The souls who have become lukewarm.

The Apostles Creed

One Hail Mary

One Our Father

On the Hail Mary beads, pray: For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world. (Ten times)

Repeat for the next four Decades

On the Our Father beads, pray:

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

Opening prayer

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You! (Three times)

Start by making the sign of the Cross

THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son,
our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from
the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of
God the Father Almighty;

from there He will come to judge
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of Saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.

Amen.

HAIL MARY

Hail Mary full of Grace, the Lord is
with thee.

Blessed are thou amongst women
and blessed is the fruit of thy
womb Jesus.

Holy Mary Mother of God,

pray for us sinners now and at the
hour of our death.

Amen.

OUR FATHER

Our Father, Who art in Heaven,
hallowed be Thy name;
Thy Kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in
Heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass
against us;

and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

Amen.