

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	04/07	St Michael's	9:15am	Jean Carney
		St Joseph's	11:15am	People of the Parish
14th Sunday of Ordinary Time				
Monday	05/07	St Joseph's	10:15am	Catherine Atherton (RIP)
Tuesday	06/07	St Michael's	7:15pm	Susan and John Hilley (RIP)
Wednesday	07/07	St Joseph's	11:15am	Margaret Thorpe (RIP)
Thursday	08/07			In Thanksgiving
Friday	09/07	St Joseph's	6:15pm	Ordination Anniversary
Saturday	10/07	St Michael's	11:15am	Dead List
Sunday	11/07	St Michael's	9:15am	People of the Parish
		St Joseph's	11:15am	Louise Arrowsmith (RIP)
15th Sunday of Ordinary Time				

Only one bench available at St Joseph's and the 2 benches at each side of the Altar at St Michael's for Masses on Sunday, so if you haven't booked then we cannot guarantee that you will get a seat and may be turned away. A good number of seats available at St Michael's on Saturday. Booking has not been required for seats at all Masses from Monday to Friday and will therefore be allocated on arrival.

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

Joseph Round

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:

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

And all those affected by the Coronavirus.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED THIS WEEK.

Margaret Wilson (RIP), Joseph K M (Lately Dead), Aleyamma Mathew (Anniversary), Private Intention

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.
- Note - Mass on Sunday is said for The People of the Parish.



WE WELCOME TO THE CHURCH

Otis Jacob Armstrong who was Baptised last Sunday at St Joseph's Church

PARISH SECRETARY - We welcome Tina Velayudhan as our new Parish Secretary. Due to current COVID Regulations the Parish Office will remain closed to visitors but if you wish to get in touch you can either call the Parish on 01977 702297 and leave a message if Tina is not there or email the parish office at office.stjoseph.pontefract@dioceseofleeds.org.uk and she will get back to you.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – Congratulations to our children from Holy Family & St Michael's School who celebrated their First Holy Communion last Saturday. Thank you to HFSM School for their preparation of the children.

Please keep in your prayers our children from St Joseph's School who will celebrate their First Holy Communion next Saturday.

If your child is not in one of our Parish Schools, please keep an eye on the Bulletin, because in September we will be asking for names for Sacramental preparation, for **Confession, First Communion** and **Confirmation**.

Hopefully by then the current restrictions will be lifted and we will be able to hold classes in the Parish, which we are unable to do at the moment.

PRAYERS AND READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS – You will see that these are now included in the last page of the weekly Bulletin and will no longer be published as a separate document.

CLEANING AT ST JOSEPH'S – In order to comply with COVID Regulations we have been obliged to clean all benches and other surfaces at St Joseph's after each Mass with a further clean all round once a week. This work has been done by the Stewards on duty and a small group of parishioners who were able to help.

When lockdown restrictions are lifted, we will need to re-establish this important group. Brenda Smith is willing to continue to manage a Rota of volunteers and would like to hear from anyone who could help.

We understand that for some who had previously been on the Rota it has not been possible to offer their services due to their own health and welfare concerns. But if you think you may be able to help when you feel it is safe to do so then please get in touch with Brenda Smith (Call or Text Mobile 07425 142839).

If you would like to join the group for the first time, then also please get in touch with Brenda.

KNOTTINGLEY FOODBANK – Currently items in short supply are:

Long Life Milk – Hard Meat, Spam, Pek etc – Fajita kit, pizza mix, batter mix, stuffing mix, gravy, jam, tomato ketchup, pickles, chocolate spread.

More details on the Parish Website: <https://parishofstjoseph.co.uk/knottingley-foodbank>

Canon Tim wishes to re-establish groups of parishioners in the following areas so that we can be ready when lockdown restrictions are lifted:-

- **Readers Rota** – For Sunday Masses we will need to have in place a Readers Rota.
- **Catechists** - To be part of our team of Catechists to help to prepare our Children for Celebrating the Sacraments (Safeguarding checks will of course have to be carried out).

Even if you were previously in either or both of the above groups it would be useful if you could get in touch so we can refresh the lists and contact points along with the addition of those who wish to join for the first time.

Please call or email the Parish Office to provide your contact details.

TO BOOK A PLACE FOR MASS ON SATURDAY OR SUNDAY - Phone 07709 091786

Bookings can only be made by calling:

Thursday - 10:30am & 12:30pm, 6:30pm & 7:30pm Friday - 10:30am & 11:30pm

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.

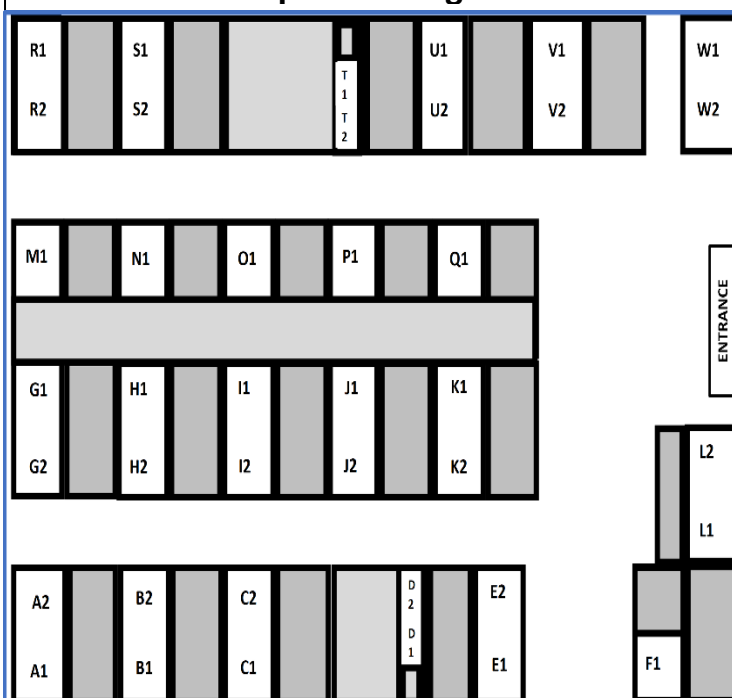
Communion will be brought to everyone in their place.

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

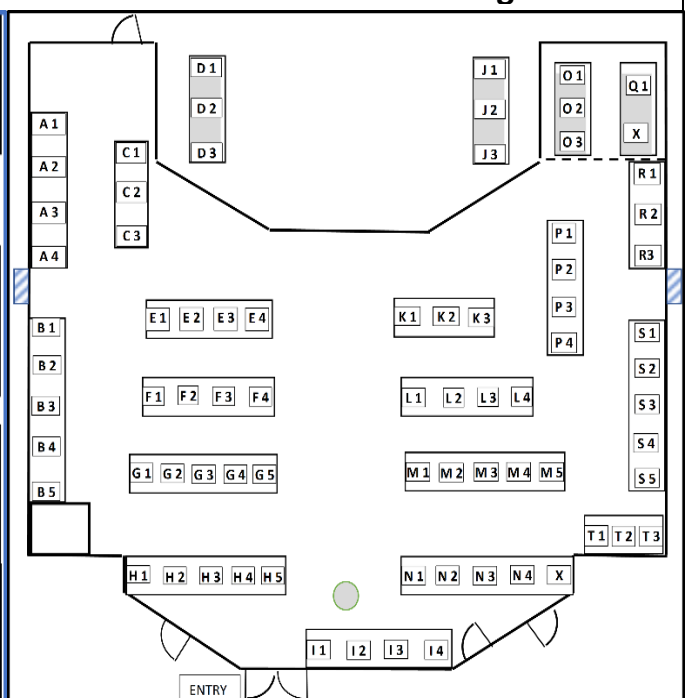
Please follow the advice and guidance of the Stewards when arriving and leaving church. It is especially important that everyone maintains the social distancing rules when arriving at church and leaving. We appreciate that visitors may wish to meet up with friends but in these difficult times, we must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



Sunday 4 July 2021 -14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Antiphon - Cf. Ps 47: 10-11

Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple.

Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

Collect

O God, who in the abasement of your Son have raised up a fallen world, fill your faithful with holy joy, for on those you have rescued from slavery to sin you bestow eternal gladness.

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 - Ezekiel 2:2-5

The spirit came into me and made me stand up, and I heard the Lord speaking to me. He said, 'Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, to the rebels who have turned against me. Till now they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me. The sons are defiant and obstinate; I am sending you to them, to say, "The Lord says this." Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among them.'

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 122(123)

Our eyes are on the Lord till he shows us his mercy.

To you have I lifted up my eyes, you who dwell in the heavens; my eyes, like the eyes of slaves on the hand of their lords.

Like the eyes of a servant on the hand of her mistress, so our eyes are on the Lord our God till he show us his mercy.

Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.

We are filled with contempt.

Indeed all too full is our soul with the scorn of the rich, with the proud man's disdain.

Second reading - 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

In view of the extraordinary nature of these revelations, to stop me from getting too proud I was given a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan to beat me and stop me from getting too proud! About this thing, I have pleaded with the Lord three times for it to leave me, but he has said, 'My grace is enough for you: my power is at its best in weakness.' So I shall be very happy to make my weaknesses my special boast so that the power of Christ may stay over me,

and that is why I am quite content with my weaknesses, and with insults, hardships, persecutions, and the agonies I go through for Christ's sake. For it is when I am weak that I am strong.

Gospel Acclamation - Jn1:14,12

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Word was made flesh and lived among us: to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God.

Alleluia!

Gospel - Mark 6:1-6

Jesus went to his home town and his disciples accompanied him. With the coming of the sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard him. They said, 'Where did the man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and these miracles that are worked through him? This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us?' And they would not accept him. And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised in his own country, among his own relations and in his own house'; and he could work no miracle there, though he cured a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

Prayer over the Offerings

May this oblation dedicated to your name purify us, O Lord, and day by day bring our conduct closer to the life of heaven.

Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon - Ps 33: 9

Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

Prayer after Communion

Grant, we pray, O Lord, that, having been replenished by such great gifts, we may gain the prize of salvation and never cease to praise you.

Through Christ our Lord.

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