

# WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF ST JOSEPH, PONTEFRACT

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

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## 4<sup>th</sup> WEEK OF EASTER

4 <sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER	08/05	St Michael's	9:00am	James A John (Anniversary)
		St Joseph's	11:00am	Roger Metcalfe (Anniversary)
		St Joseph's	6:00pm	Fr John Gott (RIP)
Monday	09/05	St Joseph's	10:15am	In Thanksgiving for a Successful Operation
Tuesday	10/05	St Michael's	9:30am	Mr P.M Joseph (Anniversary)
Wednesday	11/05			People of the Parish
Thursday	12/05	St Joseph's	7:00pm	John Briggs (RIP)
Friday	13/05	St Joseph's	6:15pm	Mama Lorenz & Daddy Rod
<b>Our Lady of Fatima</b>				
Saturday	14/05	St Michael's	11:15am	Special Intentions (M.S)
<b>St Matthias, Apostle</b>				
5 <sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER	15/05	St Michael's	9:00am	Derrick Harrison (RIP)
		St Joseph's	11:00am	Shaun Holland (In Remission)
		St Joseph's	6:00pm	People of the Parish

**Confessions:** St Michael's; Saturday 10.45 to 11.05am. Also, on request.

### LATELY DEAD

Please pray for: Brenda Smith 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, Gerard Knowles, Nick Yarsley and all those affected by the Coronavirus.

### MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED THIS WEEK FOR MASS INTENTIONS

Mama Lorenz and Daddy Rod, Margaret Young, Laurence Hingerton (Lately Dead), John Briggs (RIP), George O'Toole (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.
- Note - Mass on Sunday is said for The People of the Parish.

#### Marriages

If you are planning to marry at St Joseph's Church or St Michael's Church **six months notice is needed**. See Canon Tim.

#### Baptisms

See Canon Tim if you are looking to have your child Baptised or call the Parish office on Tuesday or Friday between 10am & 2pm – 01977 702297.

### GUIDELINES FOR ATTENDING MASS IN OUR CHURCHES

In accordance with guidance from the Catholic Bishop's Conference we ask that:

- Anyone displaying symptoms of Covid-19 should stay at home and not participate in acts of worship in church.
- Hands are sanitised on entry and exit to church.
- Although face coverings are no longer required by law in any setting we ask that face coverings continue to be worn when in church if you can.
- When selecting your place to sit, it is important to consider that others may wish to take a more cautious approach. We should all be considerate of this and provide the opportunity and space for others to reduce close contacts if they wish.

There will be someone at the entrance to our Churches to welcome you and answer any questions you may have.

**WELCOMERS** - If you would like to join our group of Parishioners who 'welcome' everyone coming to our Sunday Masses and are there to answer any questions visitors may have or help to find a place to sit, then please give your name and contact details to Canon Tim or contact Tina, our Parish Secretary.

### PLEASE TAKE YOUR BULLETIN HOME AND DO NOT LEAVE IT IN CHURCH

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**MAKING AN OFFERING TO THE PARISH** - If you have any questions about any of the methods of making your offering to the Parish then email the Parish Office at [office.stjoseph.pontefract@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:office.stjoseph.pontefract@dioceseofleeds.org.uk) or call Tina, our Parish Secretary (Tuesday and Friday between 10am & 2pm – 01977 702297).

**OFFERTORY ENVELOPES** – Thank you to everyone who has collected their Offertory Envelopes. Envelope boxes will now be held in the Parish Office at St Joseph's. Anyone wanting their box who hasn't collected it should contact our Parish Secretary, Tina, in the Office by phone or email so we can make it available for collection at either church.

If you haven't used the Weekly Offertory Envelope to give to the Parish and would like to use that method then please contact our Parish Secretary, Tina, in the Office by phone or email.

**STANDING ORDERS** - this method to make a regular offering, then a "Standing Order Mandate" is available at the back of church which Parishioners can use to set a Standing Order up. If you complete the form, then please hand it to Canon Tim or pass it into the office at St Joseph's and we will process it with your bank. You can also set up a Standing Order yourself using the details set out in the Standing Order Mandate. The form can also be downloaded at <https://parishofstjoseph.co.uk/offertory>

**SIGN OF PEACE** – The Sign of Peace at Mass as a simple handshake or a nod to our near neighbour as way of sharing the Peace of the Risen Lord has now returned.

**SUNDAY MASS CHILDREN'S LITURGY - ST MICHAEL'S** during 9am Mass. **ST JOSEPH'S** during 11 am Mass on alternate weeks. More help always welcome: If you are able to volunteer to help, please contact the Parish Office (01977 702297).


**SUNDAY REFRESHMENTS** – Tea and Coffee will be served after the 9am Mass in St Michael's Hall and after the 11am Mass in St Joseph's School Hall.

**SVP** - We are asking for people to donate small domestic appliances to be sold in the St. Vincent's Centres (more information here <https://www.svp.org.uk/support-centres> ). This will:

- Raise money for supportive services.
- Provide quality goods at modest prices for those in hardship.
- Reuse and recycle helping to reduce waste.

We are accepting:

- Kitchen appliances – e.g. toasters, microwaves, slow cookers, sandwich makers, kettles, mixers, steamers, blenders.
- Small domestic appliances – e.g. hairdryers, curlers, straighteners, heaters (fan, oil, halogen, electrical), irons and steamers, table lamps and floor lamps.

All donated items need to be in clean working order and are CE marked (look for the  mark). Boxes and instructions are not essential but please provide if available.

Please bring items to St. Joseph's or St. Michael's churches and leave them at the back of church ready to be collected. We will be collecting on the weekends of May 15th and May 22nd.

Thank you for helping St. Vincent's Centres and services and those living in poverty.

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## PARISH NEWS

**ST WILFRID'S PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES** – Sunday (08/05/22) the children will be selling cakes and raffle tickets after the 9am Mass at St Michael's and the 11am Mass at St Joseph's.

**Weekday Mass** – Please note, due to Canon Tim being at a 24hr clergy conference with Bishop Marcus on Tuesday/Wednesday – Tuesday Mass is at 9.30am at St Michael's and Canon Tim is celebrating Mass with Bishop Marcus on Wednesday.

**Holy Days** – In addition to Sundays being Holy days, the following days are weekday Holy days:

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May-Ascension

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June – St Peter & St Paul

Tuesday – 1<sup>st</sup> November – All Saints

The Assumption this year is celebrated on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August.



## CAFOD WALK AGAINST HUNGER

The final total raised was an amazing £598.70! Very many thanks to everyone who donated. £500 can provide an entire community with pepper seeds for planting season, so your kind donations will make a huge difference to people suffering from malnutrition.

**PARISH POOL – Winning Numbers, 1<sup>st</sup> May – 5 & 171.** If you would like to join, then you can select a number(s) 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.

**FAITH AND FRIENDSHIP GROUP** – A big thank you to those who came on Wednesday. It was a good beginning. Keep a watch out for 'Bingo Evening' and 'Cheese and Wine Night.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**PARISH TO MISSION** – Follow up from last meeting. Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May in the Hall at St Joseph's School at 7pm.

## DIOCESE NOTICES

**DIOCESAN BLESSED SACRAMENT PROCESSION:** Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May, 3:00pm, Hinsley Hall. Followed by BBQ, ice creams, bouncy castle etc. All welcome. Please check Diocesan website on the morning in case it has to be cancelled due to bad weather.

## 4th Sunday of Easter

### Entrance Antiphon - Cf. Ps 32: 5-6

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

### Collect

Almighty ever-living God, lead us to a share in the joys of heaven, so that the humble flock may reach where the brave Shepherd has gone before. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

### First reading - Acts 13:14,43-52

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the Sabbath and took their seats.

When the meeting broke up many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them.

The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly. 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said: I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.'

It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside.

But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

### Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 99(100):1-3,5

**R:** We are his people, the sheep of his flock; Or Alleluia!

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come before him, singing for joy.

**R:**

Know that he, the Lord, is God. He made us, we belong to him, we are his people, the sheep of his flock. **R:**

Indeed, how good is the Lord, eternal his merciful love. He is faithful from age to age. **R:**

## Second reading - Apocalypse 7:9,14-17

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

### Gospel Acclamation - Jn10:14

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and my own know me. Alleluia!

### Gospel - John 10:27-30

Jesus said: 'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice; I know them and they follow me. I give them eternal life; they will never be lost and no one will ever steal them from me. The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone, and no one can steal from the Father. The Father and I are one.'

### Prayer over the Offerings

Grant, we pray, O Lord, that we may always find delight in these paschal mysteries, so that the renewal constantly at work within us may be the cause of our unending joy. Through Christ our Lord.

### Communion Antiphon

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

### Prayer after Communion

Look upon your flock, kind Shepherd, and be pleased to settle in eternal pastures the sheep you have redeemed by the Precious Blood of your Son. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

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