

# WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF ST JOSEPH, PONTEFRACT

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

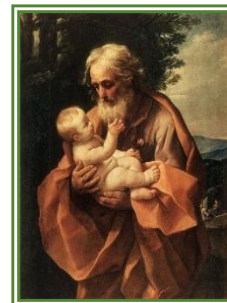
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## SCHOOL CONTACTS

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| <b>30<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> | 26/10 | St Michael's | 9:00am  | People of the Parish                           |
|                                                |       | St Joseph's  | 11:00am | Trevor & Monica Green                          |
|                                                |       | St Michael's | 3:00pm  | Special Intention (Syro Malabar)               |
|                                                |       | St Joseph's  | 6:00pm  | Radostaw Jarzab (RIP) & Patryk Jarzab (Health) |
| Monday                                         | 27/10 | St Joseph's  | 10:15am | Special Intention (AMG)                        |
| Tuesday                                        | 28/10 | St Michael's | 7:15pm  | Linda Dickinson                                |
| <b>Ss SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES</b>             |       |              |         |                                                |
| Wednesday                                      | 29/10 | St Joseph's  | 11:15am | In Thanksgiving                                |
| Thursday                                       | 30/10 | St Michael's | 11:00am | Tom & Nellie Dickinson                         |
| Friday                                         | 31/10 | St Joseph's  | 6:15pm  | 7th Birthday                                   |
| Saturday                                       | 01/11 | St Michael's | 10:00am | Malcolm Crawshaw                               |
| <b>Mass of Our Lady</b>                        |       |              |         |                                                |
| <b>ALL SAINTS</b>                              | 02/11 | St Michael's | 9:00am  | Julia 3 <sup>rd</sup> Birthday                 |
|                                                |       | St Joseph's  | 11:00am | People of the Parish                           |
|                                                |       | St Michael's | 3:00pm  | Special Intention (Syro Malabar)               |
|                                                |       | St Joseph's  | 6:00pm  | Jayne Clements                                 |

**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)

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| 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: Margaret Clamp  
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, Eric Duker, Mary Musji, Gloria Jean Burden, (nee Land) Nora McCann, Douggie Wigglesworth

### MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED THIS WEEK

Dead list, Joseph Thomas Kattakayam (Anniversary), Mathai Mathew Ampattumalayil (Anniversary), Julia 3<sup>rd</sup> Birthday, Albert 6<sup>th</sup> Birthday, Private Intention (AMG), Private Intention, Margaret Clamp (Lately Dead), Family & Friends & all who mourn Margaret Clamp, Annamma James (Anniversary), Mother Joanna Jameson/Dame Hilda More, Stanbrook Abbey Nuns, Laurie Williams

### FOR MASS INTENTIONS

- 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
- Please state the name and Intention (e.g. Sick, Anniversary, RIP, Birthday etc).
- **If you wish a particular day, please mention.**
- **(3 weeks' notice is needed).**
- Note - one of the Masses on Sunday is said for The People of the Parish.

### 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 19<sup>th</sup> October

Envelopes - £366.00  
Loose Plate – £341.00

Standing Orders For September  
£2643

**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.

**All Saints and All Souls.** This year All Saints will be celebrated on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November and All Souls ON Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November.



Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November, the 11am Mass will be a Requiem Mass for our Parish War Dead.

## PARISH NEWS

**Cemetery Sunday:** Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 3pm. We will meet as usual at Fr Bernard's Grave, in Pontefract Cemetery for our prayers for our deceased loved ones.

**Pontefract Food Bank needs a Warehouse Manager**

**Please see poster at the back of each church for details**



CAFOD – The second collection for CAFOD raised £465.00. Thank you for your generosity.

### **St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Pontefract – Nursery Places Available.**

We have nursery places available for 15 hours and 30 hours for children who are already 3 years old to start immediately. If your child will be 3 years old by the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2025 then they are eligible to start in January 2026. All visits are welcome. Please contact us via the following:  
01977 701493  
admin@sjp.bkcat.co.uk

**Monday Nights with Mary** – Come and Pray the Rosary with us at St Joseph's Church every Monday at 6.30pm. Pray for yourselves, the church and the world. "Pray the rosary everyday" Our Lady of Fatima 1917.

**November Dead List:** Envelopes are available for your deceased relatives and friends to be remembered throughout the year in Masses for our dead. Please put the names of those you wish to be remembered together with your offering in an envelope and give it to one of the priests, to the office or in the Sunday collection basket.

**PARISH POOL – Winning Numbers for 19/10/2025 are 51 and 113. 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.

**Prayer meeting** – There will be a prayer meeting on the Second Saturday of each month after the 10am Mass 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



I am delighted to say that a house has been secured for a refugee family. We are now working to make the house into a comfortable home. Thank you for your support, prayers and good wishes for the success of the project.



| EVENT         | DATE & TIME              | LOCATION                 | COST                      |
|---------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| BACON BUTTIES | 02/11/25 after 9am Mass  | St Michael's Church Hall | £3 for sandwich and drink |
| BACON BUTTIES | 23/11/25 after 11am Mass | St Joseph's Hall         | £3 for sandwich and drink |
| ADVENT FAIR   | 30/11/25 AT 12 Noon      | St Joseph's Hall         |                           |

**There will be a box at the back of each church from the 02/11/25 to 23/11/25 where any donations for the tombola stall and bottle stall can be left. Thank you for your continued support.**



**SVP** - Next meeting will be on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 7: 00pm at St Joseph's.

**'Lunch with Us' - Everyone is welcome to come and share our lunch on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2025 after 11.00am Mass in St Michael's Hall. Delicious soups, sandwiches, and cakes to share with friends.**

## DIOCESE NEWS

**LEEDS CATHEDRAL GUIDED TOURS AUTUMN PROGRAMME:** Free Guided Tours will take place on the following dates: Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November, at 1.30pm; and Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December, at 1.30pm. The tours last about 1 hour. No booking is required. On arrival, please gather by the Baptismal Font at the back of the Cathedral.

### 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Entrance Antiphon - Cf. Ps 104: 3-4

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

#### Collect

Almighty ever-living God, increase our faith, hope and charity, and make us love what you command, so that we may merit what you promise. 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 - Sirach 35:15b-17, 20-22b

The Lord is the judge, and with him is no partiality. He will not show partiality in the case of a poor man; and he will listen to the prayer of one who is wronged. He will not ignore the supplication of the orphan or the widow when she pours out her story. He whose service is pleasing to the Lord will be accepted, and his prayer will reach to the clouds. The prayer of the humble pierces the clouds, and he will not be consoled until it reaches the Lord; he will not desist until the Most High visits him and does justice for the righteous and executes judgement. And the Lord will not delay.

#### Responsorial Psalm - Ps 34(33):2-3. 17-18. 19, 23. R7a

*R: The lowly one called, and the Lord heard him.*

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:*

The Lord turns his face against the wicked to cut off their remembrance from the earth. When the just one cries out, the Lord hears, and rescues him in all his distress. *R:*

The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save. The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants. All who trust in him shall not be condemned. *R:*

#### Second reading - 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

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.

At my first defence no one came to stand by me, but all deserted me. May it not be charged against them! But 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 - 2 Corinthians 5:19

Alleluia, alleluia. God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Alleluia.

#### Gospel - Luke 18:9-14

At that time: Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: 'Two men went up into the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: "God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get." But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.'

#### Prayer over the Offerings

Look, we pray, O Lord, on the offerings we make to your majesty, that whatever is done by us in your service may be directed above all to your glory. Through Christ our Lord.

#### Communion Antiphon - Cf. Ps 19: 6

We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

#### Prayer after Communion

May your Sacraments, O Lord, we pray, perfect in us what lies within them, that what we now celebrate in signs we may one day possess in truth. Through Christ our Lord.

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