



ST JOSEPH'S and HOLY FAMILY – YEAR OF THE WORD

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Mass Times and Intentions for – SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT – 8th March 2020

Saturday 7th March	6.00 pm	Ricardo-Elias Habis (Ann.)	
Sunday 8th March SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	People of the Parish Maura Carroll Eileen Howells (1st Ann.) Catherine (Rena) Nixon	Tea and Coffee in the Parish Centre after 11 am Mass
Monday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	Agnes and Joe Daly (Ann.) Michael Mulvey	Ferial
Tuesday	9.30 am HF 12 noon 7.00pm HF	Priest's Intentions Etta Clarke James Duff (30th Ann.)	Ferial <u>Adoration HF 10.30am</u>
Wednesday	7.30 am 9.30 am HF 9.15 am	Special Intention (RB) Arthur Darby Johnie Tiernán	Ferial
Thursday	9.30 am HF 12.00 pm 7.00 pm	Priest's Intentions Robert Higginson John Walsh (Chicago)	Ferial
Friday	9.30 am HF 12 noon 7.00 pm	Denis Kelly Mary Teresa Byrom (Requiem) Stations of the Cross	Ferial
Saturday 14th March	12.00 pm	Henry Boudiob	Adoration 10am to 11.50am
Saturday (Vigil Mass)	6.00 pm	Rose Haddad (Ann.)	Ferial
Sunday 15th March THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Pat and David (50th Wedding Ann.) Kathleen and John Griffin Anne Dennis People of the Parish	

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION
Saturdays 11.00 am – 11.50 am
Also by appointment with
Father Woolley

SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM & MARRIAGE
By arrangement with
Father Woolley

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING
SJ: £1,782.83 HF: £335.00
Thank you for your continued
generosity to the parish.

Mountain High Valley Low

When you hit a low do you feel sorry for yourself and complain bitterly, or do you seek to pull yourself back up and learn from it. When you are on a high do you make the most of the moment, working hard and feeling grateful, or do you sit back and become complacent? How you answer these questions is an important indicator of how you are likely to shape your future. Obviously a more positive attitude is going to shape a more fruitful future.

Today we find Peter, James and John in low spirits. Discipleship is proving to be more difficult than they had imagined and understandably they were losing the enthusiasm and drive that they had shown previously. Jesus recognises that it is time to treat his disciples to a motivational vision, the vision that we now refer to as the 'Transfiguration'. The glimpse of heaven's glory must surely have stayed with Peter, James and John for the rest of their days. But how does that help us? There's no doubt that some people are treated to spiritually motivating moments, but for most of us life seems to be just one long round of paying the bills. Is it any wonder we lose the bright-eyed vision of our youth. Or could it be that God is sending us little words of encouragement all the time and we simply don't remember them?

Peter lends a little human perspective to the story of the Transfiguration. He proposes erecting three tents in which to keep hold of the vision. It might sound trite, but keeping hold of a vision is key to staying motivated. Some people keep letters of encouragement and cards of thanks and congratulations to remind themselves of a time when they were doing a particularly good job. Other people adorn their desks at work with photographs of their children to remind themselves of why they are working, or cover their walls with certificates to keep in mind their original ambition. Others simply keep imagining how things will be once they have achieved their goals. Jesus teaches us that we can't always control what's happening around us, but we can change our thinking. If we adopt a 'can do' attitude we will make much better choices for shaping the future.

Entrance Antiphon: **Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face.
It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me.**

Responsorial Psalm: **May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Glory and praise to you, O Christ! From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard:
'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.' Glory and praise to you, O Christ!**

Communion Antiphon: **This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.**

Year A

Genesis 12:1-4

Psalm 32

Timothy 1:8-10

Matthew 17: 1-9

CORONAVIRUS

Father Woolley has implemented the next stage of coronavirus protection. To help in the disruption of the virus Please wash hands frequently with soap and water for 20 seconds or use alcohol hand gel.

There will be **NO** physical exchange of the Sign of Peace and we need to suspend distribution of Holy Communion under both kinds (the host to be given on the hand only). Water stoups have been emptied for the time being. Once again we shall continue to monitor the situation both nationally and locally very carefully and pass on any information we receive as soon as possible. Don't forget Keep Calm and Carry On. Our Lady of Walsingham... Pray for us.

LENT 2020

During this Holy Season we shall have a number of extra Masses, devotions and activities to help us focus our hearts and minds on the Passion and Death of Christ. There will be Adoration during Confessions each Saturday during Lent.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Each Tuesday in Lent at Holy Family between 10.30am and 11.30am and at St. Joseph's on each Saturday of Lent between 10.00am and 11.50am, during confessions. Come and spend some quiet time.

LENT MASSES

During Lent Father Woolley would like to give people extra opportunities to attend Mass and so there will be an early morning Mass at St. Joseph's at 7.30am on Wednesdays and two weekday evening masses on Tuesdays at 7.00pm at Holy Family and on Thursdays 7.00pm at St Joseph's. Why not come along.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

During Lent Confessions will be from 10am until 11.50am. This gives everyone a greater opportunity to celebrate this beautiful Sacrament and prepare spiritually during this Penitential Season.

LENT COURSE – JOURNEYING TO EASTER

Each Tuesday of Lent after 7.00pm Mass at Holy Family in the Parish Centre. This Lent the course is Journeying through Lent towards Easter. It looks at the Lenten Journey as one of personal and communal renewal; a journey after which nothing should be as it was before because after Lent we go forward renewed by the risen Christ. All welcome.

LENT DAY OF RECOLLECTION

The day Retreat will be on Monday 30th March – Mass at 9am at St Joseph's followed by Stations of the Cross at Pantasaph, travelling on to Llandudno for lunch (buy your own) and free time. Leaving Llandudno 4.30pm. Cost £12 per person. Booking forms in the sacristy.

So far we have 20 people booked to go. If you haven't booked yet do it this week and experience the beautiful open air Stations at the Franciscan Monastery this Lent.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays, 7.00pm at St Joseph's.

This week the Stations of the Cross are for the sick and housebound of the parish.

MONDAYS TOGETHER

This Monday, 9th March, 2.00pm to 4.00pm in St Joseph's Parish Centre. Come and enjoy an afternoon of companionship with fellow parishioners.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE-CWL

The next meeting is at 7pm on Monday 16th March at St. Joseph's Parish Centre. The Annual Review Meeting will take place. The visitor for the evening will be Jaquie Weatherill the Branch President who will inform us about the recent National Spring meeting. The payment of the £25 annual subscriptions will still be collected at this meeting.

THEATRE TICKETS

Your tickets for Phantom of the Opera are in the Sacristy ready for collection.

CAFOD LENT FAST DAY

Envelopes will be collected this weekend.

YEAR OF THE WORD

As part of the Year of the Word we shall be doing a parish course entitled 'Big Picture' beginning with an introductory evening on Thursday, 2nd April after the 7.00pm Mass. Please look out for further details.

BEHOLD 2020 - THE REDEDICATION OF ENGLAND AS THE DOWRY OF MARY

The Rededication will take place on 29th March 2020. It will be fulfilled by a communal act of prayer across the country, when we seek Mary's protection and prayers. In preparation for this, the Angelus will be said before all Masses (including Sunday Masses) from 21st February.

The statue of Our Lady of Walsingham is now placed on the Lady Altar. Intentions can be placed in the basket before Our Lady's statue, which will be sent to Walsingham and placed in the Slipper Chapel.

ST PATRICK'S DAY

After 11.00am Mass on Sunday 15th March, to celebrate St. Patrick's day, Irish coffees and other refreshments will be available in the Parish Centre. Entertainment will be provided by the St. Joseph's Children's music group. All Welcome!

ALSO

Friday 20th March St Joseph's PTA will celebrate with afternoon tea in the Parish Centre from 2pm-3.30pm. The children will entertain with dancing and singing and there will be hot drinks, including Irish Coffee + cakes & biscuits. All welcome.

COMMENDED TO GOD

We hold in loving memory and prayers Mary Teresa Byrom who has died recently. We extend to her family and friends our deepest sympathy at this sad and difficult time.

*Death is not extinguishing the light,
It is putting out the lamp because the dawn has come.*

CATHOLIC FAITH

Father Woolley would like to meet those people who are discerning their faith and journey into the Catholic Church. The meeting will be on Wednesday 25th March, Feast of the Annunciation, at 7.30 pm (after the 7 pm Mass) in the presbytery. All Welcome.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

We are always looking for new people to join our team. There are lots of ways you can help but we are particularly in need of volunteers to lead sessions. No experience is necessary & you don't have to have young children who attend liturgy. If you are interested please get in touch nadiagazeley13@gmail.com or lizzymacphie@doctors.org.uk

CHILDREN'S LITURGY FAMILY MASS

On 22nd March (Mothering Sunday) the 11am Mass will be a family Mass, when the children will lead. If any child in the parish (Yr1 and above) would like to take part, please email Katie Warner, k.warner@srreresas.co.uk with your child's name, age and a contact phone number. Names needed by Monday 16th March.

CHILDREN'S WAY OF THE CROSS

Will take place at 11am on Good Friday. There will be a brief rehearsal at 3pm on Sunday 5th April. If any child in the parish (Reception and above) would like to take part, please email Anne Coonan annecoonan@aol.com with your child's name, age and a contact phone number. Names needed by Monday 30th March.

After the performance there will be refreshments and the usual craft activities for children. Everyone is welcome so please do come along. As always if you are able to contribute food please contact Alex Bloor alexjebloor@hotmail.co.uk or 07719 209 155.

HCPT

Thank you to all who supported the HCPT cake sale. Unfortunately due to the Coronavirus risk the pilgrimage has been cancelled. The £399.45 raised will be used for Easter 2021.