



ST JOSEPH'S and HOLY FAMILY - HANDS - FACE - SPACE

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Mass Times and Intentions for - TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 11th October 2020

Saturday 10th October	6.00 pm	Brenda Broadbent	
Sunday 11th October TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Little Bobby (Sick Child) Arnold Warman Patrick Carolan People of the Parish	
Monday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	John Ainsworth Mercedes and Kenneth Burns (Ann.)	Ferial
Tuesday	9.30 am HF 12 noon	Priest's Intention Austin Asuza (killed in RTA)	Ferial
Wednesday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	Priest's Intention Erica Turner	Ferial
Thursday	9.30 am HF 12 noon 7.00 pm	Ormrod and Brew Families Ethel Warrington (Requiem Mass) (leaving Holy Family at 11.45am) James Coleman (Ann.)	St Teresa of Avila
Friday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	Priest's Intention Peter Gerrard	Ferial
Saturday 17th October	12 noon	Edward (Ted) Woolley (B'day Rem.)	St Ignatius of Antioch
Saturday (Vigil Mass)	6.00 pm	Arthur Clegg (90th B'day)	
Sunday 18th October TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Michael Mulvey Special Intention Maureen O'Hara People of the Parish	

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION
11.00am - 12 noon Saturdays,
observing social distancing.
Or by appointment

**SACRAMENTS OF
BAPTISM & MARRIAGE**
By arrangement with
Father Woolley

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING
With the local lockdown the regular count
at HF and SJ is currently suspended

MUST TRY HARDER

Do we fondly imagine that people ought to love us just the way we are? We are told often enough that God loves us warts and all. But do we carry this belief through life with not much thought of betterment?

In today's parable a king invites guests to his son's wedding. When the guests refuse to turn up, the king extends the invitation to a different set of guests, both good and bad. The guests fill the wedding hall, but as they do so, the king notices one man not wearing a wedding robe and he has him bound hand and foot and thrown out into the darkness! The consequences for not wearing the right outfit seem overly harsh as far as this poor guest is concerned, but of course the parable has not really very much to do with wedding receptions and even less to do with wearing the right tie. The overriding theme in this story is to do with standards.

Jesus explains that the Kingdom of God is open to all but that doesn't mean that anyone and everyone can stroll into heaven. Just as guests make an effort to be correctly dressed for a wedding, so too must we put in the preparation and effort to be accepted into God's Kingdom.

The guest who was thrown out of the wedding feast for his cavalier 'accept me just the way I am' attitude presents a warning for us all. Too often we go about our daily routines not feeling any need to live life better. Far too often we look on our Christianity as making choices between good and evil, and we are confident that we rarely choose evil. But Jesus is asking more of us than simply choosing between right and wrong, he is asking us to choose between good and an even greater good. What we imagine is our 'best' very rarely is.

Just as the guest in today's parable did little more than turn up to the wedding, so we live life going through the motions but not much more. Accepting God's invitation to join him is only the first step, it's how we live out that acceptance that really matters.

Entrance Antiphon : **If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.**

Responsorial Psalm : **In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.**

Gospel Acclamation : **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!**

Communion Antiphon: **The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.**

Year A

Isaiah 25: 6-10

Psalm 22

Philippians 4: 12-14. 19-20

Matthew 22: 1-14

FATHER STEPHEN WRITES

We are now supporting the NHS Test and Trace Scheme to help contain clusters and outbreaks of the Covid-19 virus. When you come into church, if you have the NHS COVID-19 App on your phone, please scan the QR code which you will find on the wall by the entrance at both St. Joseph's and Holy Family. If you don't have the App you will be asked for your contact details – name and telephone number only (or bring them with you on a slip of paper). These will be held safely and destroyed after 21 days and will not be used for any other purpose than recording those at Mass in case of any infection.

This is a way we can all help to prevent the spread of the Virus and to do our 'bit' to bring the infection rate down. I do hope that you understand why we need to do this and I appreciate your help and support.

We are doing all that we can to ensure your safety while you are at Mass or a baptism, wedding or funeral.

Can I remind you that face coverings must be worn, covering your mouth and nose. Please do not remove your face covering until you have received the Sacred Host into your hands then move away and consume. I hope these bullet points will reassure you and help you on your return back to Mass.

When You Arrive

- You will be welcomed by a volunteer steward and asked to scan the QR test and trace code or give your contact details.
- You will be directed to the hand sanitiser.
- You will be directed to a bench. It may not be where you usually sit.
- You must adhere to social distancing guidelines in place.
- Baskets will be available at the entrance (and exit) for your weekly envelopes or other contributions.
- Baskets will also be available at the entrance for a candle to be lit on your behalf for your intention.
- Toilet in the narthex will remain closed at all times.

During Mass

- You may only receive the Sacred Host in your hand and not on your tongue. Please keep your face covering in place, covering mouth and nose.
- Communicants must avoid skin to skin contact with the minister's hands.
- You must then step to one side, remove your face covering, place the Sacred Host in your mouth and replace your face covering.

After Mass

- Please take home any newsletters and other papers you may use.
- Please keep the social distancing as you leave the church and do not gather in the church porch or on church property for conversations

APF – MISSIO Mission Sunday

Next Sunday 18th October is World Mission Sunday when the Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection for Missio, his charity for world mission. A special edition of the Red Box magazine has been issued and is available at the entrance and exits of St Joseph's church. The magazine has a donation form included. Alternately, donations can be made by calling 02078219755 during office hours or online at missio.org.uk. If you have any queries or need more information, please contact Michael Ryan on 0161 905 3468. Thank you for your continued support.

YEAR OF PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

Glorious St. Joseph, who was chosen by Almighty God to be the foster-father of the Word made flesh, the comforter of His most holy Mother, the faithful co-operator among men in His greatest design, obtain for me to do in all things the Will of the Father, to cherish in my heart the mysteries accomplished in the person of the Son, and by the abundant graces of the Holy Spirit to persevere, pure of heart and chaste of body, in the service of God.

FIRST FORGIVENESS & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

In spite of the Coronavirus Father Woolley is delighted to announce the programme for First Forgiveness and Holy Communion for 2021. Forms are available in the sacristy for those who would like children in Year 3 who are **not** in Catholic schools to participate in the parish programme. Also for anyone else who has not celebrated their First Holy Communion and would like to do so. There are no dates for any meetings as yet. Hopefully these will happen in the new year.

FOODBANK

We are restarting deliveries to the Trafford South Food Bank so, if you wish to donate, please put your items in Jim's Box at the back of St Joseph's. Some items currently in short supply are tinned meat, fish and vegetables, rice pudding, custard and coffee, all of which will be gratefully received.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY *Coronavirus Appeal*

"Only together can we do this" (Pope Francis)

This weekend our parish is marking CAFOD's Family Fast Day to help people facing the worst of the coronavirus crisis. We've all felt the impact of this terrible disease – let's come together to help the poorest and most vulnerable people in the world *Survive, Rebuild and Heal*. Please pray for all those affected and donate online at cafod.org.uk/give or by using one of the envelopes available in church.

PRISONS WEEK OF PRAYER

Today is Prisoners' Sunday and marks the start of a week of prayer for all those connected with the criminal justice system in any way, including all prison staff and families of prisoners as well as prisoners themselves.

Lord, you offer freedom to all people. We pray for those in prison. Break the bonds of fear and isolation that exist. Support with your love prisoners and their families and friends, prison staff and all who care. Heal those who have been wounded by the actions of others, especially the victims of crime. Help us to forgive one another, to act justly, love mercy and walk humbly together with Christ in his strength and in his Spirit, now and every day. Amen.

COMMENDED TO GOD

We hold in loving memory and prayers **Father Michael Dyson, Ethel Warrington and Austin Asuza** who have died recently. May they rest in peace. We extend to their families and friends our deepest sympathy at this sad and extremely difficult time.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome to the Church and Parish Community **Keeva Maggie Corris** who was baptised at St. Joseph's last weekend. We welcome Keeva into the Church and commend her parents for passing on to her the Faith of the Apostles.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to **Sarah Kay and Robert Rodrigues** who were married at St. Joseph's on Friday. We extend our best wishes to Sarah and Robert. May God bless them with long lives, good health and much happiness.