



# ST JOSEPH'S and HOLY FAMILY – HANDS – FACE – SPACE - AIR

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## Mass Times and Intentions for – TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 20<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	6.00pm	Sr. Sheila McCourt	
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> June TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	John Mulkeen (4 <sup>th</sup> Ann.) Peter Raftery Patrick Currán People of the Parish	
Monday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	Theresa O'Brien John Ryan, Snr. (B'day Rem.)	St. Aloysius Gonzaga
Tuesday	9.30 am HF 12 noon	Priest's Intention Ron Gubba (13 <sup>th</sup> Ann.)	Ss John Fisher & Thomas More
Wednesday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	Chris Jones (Sick) Sarah (Sally) Nalcalfe (29 <sup>th</sup> Ann.)	Ferial
Thursday	9.30 pm HF 12.00 noon 7.00 pm	John & Mary Fallon Pat O'Hara (B'day Rem. 22.6) Maureen Coleman	The Nativity of St. John the Baptist
Friday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	Priest's Intention Jimmy Phelan (11 <sup>th</sup> Ann. 14.6)	Ferial
Saturday	10.00 am 12 noon 2.00 pm	First Holy Communion Mass (HF) First Holy Communion Mass (SJ) First Holy Communion Mass (SI)	Ferial
Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	6.00 pm	Laurence O'Connor (14 <sup>th</sup> Ann. & B'day)	
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> June THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Winnie McGinty (B'day Rem.) Eileen and Gerard McGinity Magdalen Donlan (2 <sup>nd</sup> Ann.) 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

Collection over week /weekend  
ending 13<sup>th</sup> June 2021  
SJ £998.20 HF £160.27

## Transcending Life's Storms

Fear of what others might think of us; Fear of getting things wrong; Fear of our children getting things wrong; Fear of poverty; Fear of the bills in the letter box; Fear of opposition; Fear of illness; Fear of loneliness or alienation; Fear of running out of time; Most of us fear something, and our fears all have something in common. We fear most, the things that seem beyond our control.

In today's gospel the disciples are out in their fishing boat when a storm whips up the waves. Water crashes into the little fishing boat threatening to sink it. Jesus sleeps on a cushion in the stern, and to the disciples he seems not to care. Can we identify with the frightened disciples? When our lives are out of control that's when most of us pray our hardest, and when our prayers are answered we either thank God, or perhaps if we're honest, we imagine that the problem wasn't as bad as we thought in the first place. Only when God seems indifferent to our prayers is our faith called into real question. If God has the power to quell life's storms why does he seem to remain indifferent? The trouble with God is that he doesn't rush round fixing the lottery for us or texting us with our dream job. Would we really expect God to behave like this? Yet it's at times when God seems to do nothing that we need our faith most. It's at times like this that our faith is hardest to find. It's a very useful exercise to look back at life and take a second look at the seemingly insurmountable problems that we have navigated in the past. We might imagine that we have conquered our own problems single handed. In retrospect, it is clear that God has steered us safely through the storms often in totally unexpected and surprising ways. The great comfort is that if God has helped us before, he will help us again and again. We will always have fear, it's part of our human condition, but as Christians we have a way of transcending it. We are asked to remember Jesus' words "Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?" We are asked to remember that even the wind and the sea obey him. If we have faith that Jesus is the master of our lives and that God has ultimate control, then we need feel no fear.

Entrance Antiphon : *The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.*

Responsorial Psalm : *O Give thanks to the Lord for his love endures for ever.*

Gospel Acclamation : *Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!*

Communion Antiphon : *The eyes of all look to you Lord, and you give them their food in due season.*

Year B Job 3: 1.8-11 Psalm 106 2 Corinthians 5: 14-17 Mark 4: 35-41

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Deirdre Peden

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## **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

Next Saturday we celebrate the First Holy Communion of our school children which had to be delayed from May 2020 because of Covid restrictions.

The three Masses are being celebrated under the same Covid regulations as Sunday Masses. There is limited numbers allowed in church and so unfortunately the Masses are by family registration through the schools only. However, we hope the celebrations will be joyful and uplifting for the children and their families. Please remember the children in your prayers as they come to this moment of special joy in their faith journeys.

Congratulations to all the children.

*Please note there will be no Confessions or the normal 12 noon Mass next Saturday*

## **COVID 19**

The Bishops of England and Wales have recently issued revised guidelines as we come out of Lockdown. Holy Communion continues to be recommended on the hand. However, outside of localities suffering high spikes of infections (which Greater Manchester is) those wishing to receive on the tongue are now recommended to wait until the end of the distribution of Holy Communion and receive on the tongue with the priest or deacon sanitising their hand after each communicant.

At St. Joseph's and Holy Family, Father Stephen is assessing the infection rate daily. At present, if you wish to receive Communion on the tongue you will be invited to come forward at the end of the distribution of Holy Communion. The priest or deacon will sanitise their hands before and after giving Holy Communion to each person.

## **GROUP OF CHURCH LEADERS IN SALE**

CTiS have a stall at the Makers' Market in the town centre today (Sunday) 20<sup>th</sup> June from 11am – 4pm, giving away little jars with a night light inside and a positive message about God's love. Any monies donated will go to the charities providing vaccines for overseas countries that cannot afford them. There is a GoFundMe page to say thank you because we in this country have our vaccines for free.

## **Ss THOMAS MORE & JOHN FISHER**

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June

Matters of Conscience

On this day we remember those who suffer persecution, oppression and denial of human rights. Close friends, Thomas More and John Fisher, refused to render allegiance to King Henry VIII as the Head of the Church. As a result they were tried and convicted of treason and executed. Thomas More told the court that he could not go against his conscience and wished his judges that "we may yet hereafter in heaven merrily all meet together to everlasting salvation." Today we are not asked to die for matters of conscience but we are asked to live by them.

## **NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**

24<sup>th</sup> June

A prophet is simply a spokesperson, a job each of us could undertake to varying degrees. Like John, each of us is born for a purpose. The ministry of John the Baptist continues in each of us.

## **FATHERS' DAY**

Fathers' Day is a day set apart to celebrate fatherhood, recognize the influence of fathers in our homes and society, and foster paternal bonds.

For some, Father's Day is a chance to celebrate the love they have been given by the men who raised them. However, for others it is a reminder of lost loved ones, lost hopes and dreams for a family they cannot have, or painful memories of men who were not able to offer a good model of loving care. In all its nuances, both happy and sad, it is a day for us all to reflect on fatherhood.

'Happy Fathers' Day to dads everywhere...including Reverend Fathers!!

## **CONGRATULATIONS**

To the Year 3 children at Holy Family who celebrated their First Forgiveness last Tuesday. We look forward to the celebration of their First Holy Communion on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September

## **DAY FOR LIFE**

Day for Life is marked on different days in England and Wales, Ireland and Scotland. It is marked this year today 20<sup>th</sup> June in England and Wales. Each year takes a different focus. This year the focus is on 'Assisted Dying'. Day for Life has compiled some online resources to help inform Catholics and to share some responses. You can find these resources at [www.dayforlife.org/article/online-resources/](http://www.dayforlife.org/article/online-resources/)

## **PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH**

Holy St. Joseph, You were a man of great hope and faith. You faced many difficult times in your life, fleeing into Egypt, caring and fearing for Mary and Jesus, you lived like us today in uncertain times. Your strength came from knowing that the power and faithfulness of God would always be constant.

Fill us with the confidence that you had in the Lord, Our God. Help us to know that God is close to us that He will deliver us from the trials and troubles we are now encountering.

May the light of the Lord give us hope. May it guide us every day of our lives and uniting our prayers with yours, may we be assured by the peace and joy of the

Lord, that will strengthen us in all our difficulties.  
Holy St. Joseph, pray for us.

## **COMMENDED TO GOD**

We hold in loving memory and prayers **Stella McGrath, Bernard Logue and Linda Marie Slater** 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.

*Death is not extinguishing the light.*

*It is putting out the lamp because the dawn has come.*

## **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

We welcome to the Church and Parish Community **Aoife Selene Eslava-O'Sullivan and Millie Grace Marsden** who were baptised at St. Joseph's last weekend. We welcome Aoife and Millie into the Church and commend their parents for passing on to them the Faith of the Apostles.

## **BITESIZE**

There is much in the world to make us afraid. There is much more in our faith to make us unafraid.

*Frederick W. Cropp*