



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

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Mass Times and Intentions for – OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING 21st November 2021

Saturday 20 th November	6.00pm	Bill McKenna (Special Intention)	
Sunday 21 st November OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Joan Cosgrove (5th Ann.) George Heathcote Gerry Murray (8th Ann.) Margaret O'Hara (B'day Rem.)	Macmillan Coffee Morning after 11.00am Mass
Monday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	Gemma Martin (Thanksgiving) Rose Morrell (Sick)	Ferial
Tuesday	9.30 am HF 12 noon	Priest's Intention John & Margaret Finn	Ferial
Wednesday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	Special Intention (JN) For Divine Intervention	Ferial
Thursday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon 7.00 pm	Priest's Intention Sheila Monaghan (Special Intention) Mass of Remembrance - Faithful Departed	Ferial Tea & Coffee at HF after Mass
Friday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am 11.00 am	Leonora & William O'Brien Brian Carroll Dorothy Garside (Requiem Mass)	Ferial
Saturday	12.00 noon	Alfred Boston (37th Ann.)	Ferial
Saturday 27 th November	6.00 pm	David Sykes	
Sunday 28 th November FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Clark & Seddon Families People of the Parish K C Peter Nuala McDonnell	

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 7th November 2021
SJ £1221.35 HF £256.07

The Truth the Whole Truth and Nothing But the Truth

A television interviewer tries to elicit the truth from a politician. We recognise of old the politician's strategies for avoiding the interviewer's questions. We are called to do jury service and determine to get to the bottom of the case, but suddenly everyone's version of events is slightly different. We pick up on a charged atmosphere at home, but when we quiz our children we are met with evasion and equivocation. There are those who live or work in situations that are deeply flawed, but refuse to admit the truth because admitting the truth would be too painful or difficult to remedy. Truth is slippery.

The opposite of truth is not always a lie. Truth can be avoided, twisted, disguised, or simply not recognised. One thing is for sure though; we all have some kind of sixth sense for knowing when we are not getting the truth. That's why it's so refreshing and so powerful when somebody gets up and speaks a simple truth from the heart. The truth makes us sit up and listen. Perhaps this is what Jesus meant when he told Pilate,

"Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

Standing in front of Pilate, Jesus doesn't back down or compromise the truth because the truth is too important. The trouble with earthly kingdoms is that the truth is not always of paramount importance. In earthly kingdoms the truth gets in the way of our personal agendas. In our quest for territory, power, resources and a comfortable life style, the truth takes second place. We might think that we are truthful people and that we never tell lies, but it is all too easy to live a lie without admitting it even to ourselves. Pilate was not able to understand the kingdom Jesus alluded to, and he was not able to see Jesus as king. Pilate failed to recognise the truth.

Today's challenge is to recognise truth in all of life's circumstance, to stand up for the truth in all of life's difficulties, and to live by the truth to the best of our ability.

Entrance Antiphon : *How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.*

Responsorial Psalm : *The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed.*

Gospel Acclamation : *Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!*

Communion Antiphon: *The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.*

Year B Daniel 7: 13-14 Psalm 92 Apocalypse 1: 5-8 John 18: 33-3

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

Today, Sunday, after 11.00am Mass Father Stephen is holding a coffee morning in aid of Macmillan nurses. Home made cakes and scones. If you are able, please do come along and support.
All welcome.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on each Saturday of Advent. 11.00am – 11.50am on 4th, 11th and 18th December.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Christ the King is one of our big celebrations of the year but, although we cannot have our usual Family Mass and craft activities this year, the team will be at 11.00am Mass today to hand out crowns and activity packs to the children.

There will be a short service for the children on Christmas Eve to sing some carols and visit the crib.

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2023-2024

We are seeking consultation on our admission arrangements for Reception up to Year 6 at St Joseph's Catholic Primary School for 2023-24. Consultation will open on the 22nd of November 2021 and close on the 31st of December 2021. You can find the policy on the admissions page on the school website.

Please forward any comments to office@stjosephstrafford.co.uk.

ST. JOSEPH'S & HOLY FAMILY WALKERS

Sunday 5th December. Approximately 2 mile local walk and seasonal treasure hunt. Suitable for families, pushchairs and wheelchairs.

Meet in St. Joseph's car park at 1.30pm for 1.45pm start. Finish by 4.00pm. *Refreshments served in the Parish Centre afterwards.*

Contact 0161 962 6274 for more details.

CONFIRMATION 2022

After a two year gap, due to Covid 19, Confirmation will take place in May 2022.

Forms are available in the sacristy for those wishing to be confirmed next year.

Those who had enrolled in 2019/2020 please email info@sjhf.co.uk, indicating whether you are going to take up your place on the new Confirmation course.

Those who should have been confirmed last year, ie those in Year 9, as well as the current Year 8, please collect a form from the sacristy and return.

The Confirmation programme will begin in the New Year and registration must be received before the programme begins. Thank you.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome to the Church and Parish Community **Elle Freya Wrigley, Lily Rose Whittaker** and **Sofia Lily Macleod-Straker** who were baptised at St. Joseph's last weekend. We welcome Elle, Lily and Sofia into the Church and commend their parents for passing on to them the Faith of the Apostles.

COMMENDED TO GOD

We hold in loving memory and prayers **Dorothy Marian Garside** and **Bridget Benson** 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.

MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

The November Dead Envelopes are available at the back of church. Please place the envelope containing the names of those you wish to remember at all Masses, along with your offering, in the basket in front of the altar. The **Mass of Remembrance** will be at **7.00pm this Thursday 25th November**. All are invited to this Mass.

BLESSING OF GRAVES

Father Woolley will be available to bless family graves and lead us in prayer for our deceased loved this afternoon (Sunday) at 2.30pm at Brooklands/Sale Cemetery. We will gather together for a short time of prayer before the blessing of individual graves. All welcome to come along.

If your loved one is not buried at Brooklands but you would like their grave blessed, please contact Father Stephen.

TAIZE SERVICE

Next Sunday, 28th November, at 7.00pm, St. Joseph's will be hosting the Churches Together in Sale Advent service. The Taize Service will be followed by refreshments in the Parish Centre. Please make every effort to come along as we warmly welcome our fellow Christians to St. Joseph's.

CAFOD NEWS

Thank you to all who supported the CAFOD quiz night. **£979.90** was raised in all. Amazing! Special thanks for extra help offered in these difficult times.

Today girls from the parish who are at Loreto are supporting CAFOD by offering to wash your car during/after 11.00am Mass. Cost £5. All proceeds for CAFOD. Please see one of the girls as you come into the car park.

Looking for different, sustainable gifts this year? CAFOD World Gifts catalogues are available at the back of church.

ST. JOSEPH'S REPOSITORY CHRISTMAS SHOP

Christmas at St. Joseph's Repository. Do come and visit and see the Cards, Candles, Cribs, Calendars, Advent Calendars, Children's Activity Books, Snowglobes, Diaries, etc.

THE PLAYERS' PANTO: 'Mother Goose'!

A Pantomime for all the family! Performances this Thursday 25th and Friday 26th November at 7.30pm and Saturday 27th at 2.30pm at St. Francis Hall, Budworth Rd, Sale Moor, M33 2RP. Tickets prices: Adults £8, Concessions/Under 18's £4. Ring Helen 07842 701436.

SJHF THEATRE & MOVIE GROUP

A group booking of 15 tickets has been made for **Swan Lake** at the Bridgewater Hall on Tuesday 4th January 2022 at 7.30pm. Seats are in the circle and cost £39.24. *Payment is due this weekend*. Please can those who have 'signed up' for tickets make cheques payable to Ailsa McNabb or cash in an envelope clearly marked with your name. Please hand in to the sacristy/parish office.

BITESIZE

The trouble about man is twofold. He cannot learn truths which are too complicated; he forgets truths which are too simple.

Rebecca West