



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

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## Mass Times and Intentions for – SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 25<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	6.00pm	Allan Anghelides	
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> July SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Nina Boran (10 <sup>th</sup> Ann.) People of the Parish Barry Peter Reeves (17 <sup>th</sup> Ann.) Brian McHugh (2 <sup>nd</sup> Ann.)	
Monday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	Priest's Intention Fr. John Cunningham (Sick)	SS Joachim & Anne Parents of the BVM
Tuesday	9.30 am HF 12 noon	Margaret Smith (90 <sup>th</sup> B'day) John Whalley (1 <sup>st</sup> Ann.)	Ferial
Wednesday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	Tony Smith Kevin McKiernan	Ferial
Thursday	9.30 pm HF 12.00 noon 7.00 pm	Priest's Intention Maureen Kelly (90 <sup>th</sup> b'day) NO MASS	St. Martha
Friday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	Martin Maloney Jim Sainsbury (Sick)	Ferial
Saturday	12 noon	Patricia Rogers (Sick)	St. Ignatius Loyola
Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup> July	6.00 pm	Tony Reid	
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> August EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Tom O'Connor Special Intention (Fr. Peter's 63 <sup>rd</sup> Ann. Ord. 13 July) Marjorie Halligan (10 <sup>th</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 11<sup>th</sup> July 2021  
SJ £1128.60 HF £278.40

### Does God Provide?

A senior policy researcher for Oxfam once said, "The world produces more than enough food to feed everyone. Meeting the calorie needs of every person living with hunger would take less than 3 per cent of today's global food supply." That's an astonishing statistic. It's a sobering thought to realise that for the millions of people who go hungry every day, the problem is not actually a food shortage. The reason that people go hungry is that we just don't seem capable of distributing food fairly and in safety. Even if we could distribute the food fairly, the people who are going hungry couldn't afford to buy it. Solutions to conquering hunger and starvation are elusive, but that doesn't give us the excuse to give up.

The feeding of the five thousand is a story that's very familiar to us all. In it we learn to trust in God. We are taught that Jesus is more than sufficient for our needs both physical and spiritual. When Jesus instructs his disciples to take the five loaves and the two fishes and share them amongst the five thousand, he is teaching them a lesson in faith, trust and reliance. We are being told how to live our lives. We must give up our will for God's. We must trust God to direct our lives and rely on him to know what's best for us. When we pray "Not my will God but yours," we are opening up the way for God's wisdom to replace all that negative thinking.

Putting our trust in God however, isn't an excuse for us to sit back expecting God to magic tonight's tea onto the table. We still need to work to share God's abundant provision fairly around the planet. That might mean supporting communities in third world countries, by funding equipment or being more pro active about campaigning for fair trade deals. It might mean campaigning for peaceful solutions in war torn areas. Does God provide? God has already provided. We have food in abundance, but to save the millions of people who are struggling to believe in that abundance, we have to work with God in keeping our part of the deal.

*Entrance Antiphon :* **God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.**

*Responsorial Psalm :* **You open wide your hand, O Lord, and grant our desires.**

*Gospel Acclamation :* **Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!**

*Communion Antiphon:* **Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.**

Year B Kings 4: 42-44 Psalm 144 Ephesians 4: 1-6 John 6: 1-15

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Deirdre Peden

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### ALTAR SERVERS

As the various health restrictions are being eased, Father Stephen would like to invite our altar servers to return in September.

If you are one of our present altar servers please can you contact Father Stephen saying you would like to serve again and at which Mass.

Also he would like to invite any new people who have celebrated their First Holy Communion and would like to start serving at St. Joseph's or Holy Family. Please contact him saying at which Mass you would like to serve.

A meeting will be called for all servers in September when we are sure it is safe to do so.

### COVID 19

At all Masses last weekend Father Stephen put forward the pathway out of Lockdown here at St. Joseph's and Holy Family.

For the coming weeks we ask you to please sanitise your hands as you enter and leave the church, wear face coverings if you are not medically exempt.

Because of the face coverings there will be no congregational singing and social distancing will remain in place in both churches.

In September, Father Stephen will re-evaluate in the light of any advice being given by the government task force for places of worship and/or the Bishops Conference of England and Wales.

### CTIS ECUMENICAL SERVICE

Next Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> August at 3.00pm there will be an open air service in the grounds of St. Paul's church.

This is in place of the Pentecost service which couldn't take place due to Covid Lockdown.

The Salvation Army band will be playing and Father Stephen will be taking part and congregational is allowed as we are outside! Refreshments will be served after service. Please support if you can.

### COMMENDED TO GOD

We hold in loving memory and prayers **Francis Mendonca** and **John Freeman** 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

**Henry Arthur Eccles, Joshua William Theobalds** and **Arlo James Stubbs** who were baptised at St. Joseph's last weekend. We welcome Henry, Joshua and Arlo into the Church and commend their parents for passing on to them the Faith of the Apostles.

### BITESIZE

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge him and he will make straight your paths."

(Proverbs 3: 5-6)

### WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

Sunday, 25 July 2021

Pope Francis has instituted a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly on this day. Identifying with the more senior members of our society, he says "The whole Church is close to you – to us – and cares about you, loves you and does not want to leave you alone!" "... We should cherish the elderly and recognise that there's no retirement age from the work of proclaiming the Gospel and handing down traditions to grandchildren."

*The date chosen ties in with the feast day of Saints Joachim and Anne:- 26th July*

By tradition Joachim and Anne are considered to be the names of the parents of Mary, the Mother of God. We have no historical evidence, however, of any elements of their lives, including their names. Any stories about Mary's father and mother come to us through legend and tradition. However, a lovely idea to use this date to celebrate the contribution of parents everywhere.

**HAPPY GRANDPARENTS DAY!**

### HOLIDAY SEASON

Father Stephen wishes everyone a happy and restful time with family and friends wherever you are spending your holiday, in the UK – or abroad!

We also especially welcome all visitors to St. Joseph's and Holy Family. We wish you a happy holiday in the company of loved ones.

### ST. MARTHA

29<sup>th</sup> July

From St. Martha one basic lesson learned is that there is both active and contemplative work. Some vocations require more of one, but we all need to stop and experience quiet to pray, meditate, contemplate. Another lesson to learn is that we serve God when we serve others through our work, whether it be the daily duty of household chores or other charitable work outside the home.

### ST. JOSEPH

In this Year of St. Joseph, foster father to Jesus and husband to Our Lady, we especially pray for family life in this pandemic year.

*God of love as I see the importance of the family at the heart of faith I bring my own family before you and thank you for their presence in my life. You alone know the longings and struggles of each one of us, and you alone know our failures and regrets. Bless us with loving forbearance with one another. Heal any wounds that divide us and bring us together in eternal life with you.  
Amen.*

### THURSDAY EVENING MASS

There are no Thursday evening Masses over the summer break. Regular Thursday evening Masses will resume on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September.