



ST JOSEPH'S and HOLY FAMILY

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Mass Times and Intentions for – TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 27th August 2023

Saturday 26 th August	6.00 pm (Vigil)	Anne Schultz (RIP)	
Sunday 27 th August TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Pauline Schindeler Greene (RIP) Marie O'Neill Ronan King People of the Parish	Tea & Coffee after 11.00am Mass
Monday	12.00 noon	Robert - RIP (M)	St Augustine
Tuesday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon	Priest's Intention (FB) Baby Noah David Burke (RIP)	The Passion of St John the Baptist
Wednesday	9.30 am	Patrick Joseph Perry (86 th Birthday Rem)	Ss Margaret Clitherow, Margaret Ward and Anne Line
Thursday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon	Special Intention Mary Delia (Della) McLoughlin (Requiem Mass)	Ferial Tea & Toast HF after Mass
Friday	9.30 am	Special Intention (BB)	WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION
Saturday 2nd September	12.00 noon 6.00 pm (Vigil)	Delia Lyons (Birthday Rem) Noel, Charlie and Vince Donnelly (RIP)	Ferial
Sunday 3rd September TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Peter Murdoch (RIP) People of the Parish Maria Wadsworth (Ann) Josie Murtagh (7 th Ann 4.9)	Tea & Coffee after 11.00am Mass

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION 11.00am – 11.50am Saturdays or by appointment	SACRED HEART LAMP In loving memory of Margaret Rigby (3 rd Anniversary 27.8)	OFFERINGS WEEKEND 20 TH August 2023 SJ £ 1562.90 HF £ 298.07
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THE KEY

Who do you think Jesus is? As children we are told that Jesus is the Son of God, and we accept it readily. When we are children God is a kindly father figure who lives in Heaven and listens to our night prayers or Jesus is the baby we see in the Christmas Nativity scene. As young adults we begin to see Jesus as a great teacher, a healer, a worker of miracles and a revolutionary. For some of us, doubts creep in. Is Jesus really the Son of God or simply a good man and a great prophet?

In today's gospel Jesus asks his disciples "Who do you say I am?" "You are the Christ," replies Peter promptly, "the Son of the living God." But this wasn't Peter's opinion from the start. By working with Jesus and following his ministry daily, Peter and the other disciples gradually came to the extraordinary conviction that God was working through Jesus; speaking, healing, working miracles and offering eternal salvation.

Today we listen again to Jesus' question. "Who do you say I am?" It seems that the question is aimed not just at the disciples but at us. Jesus doesn't want us to just give the answer we've been taught to give ... our answer has to be from the heart. Our answer might be, "I don't know!" Our answer might be, "I'm not very sure right now." Or our answer might be a resounding, "You are Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus knows that faith is a journey and our answer reflects at exactly what stage of that journey we have reached.

It may be that we think of Jesus as little more than a good man and a great prophet. If this is what we believe, the Bible becomes little more than a book filled with good stories and sound philosophy. If, like the disciples, we are convinced that Jesus is the Son of God, we are immediately opening ourselves to great possibilities.... we have found the key to life's greatest adventure.

Entrance Antiphon : Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

Responsorial Psalm : Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands.

Gospel Acclamation : Alleluia, Alleluia! God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

Year A Isaiah: 22: 19-23 Psalm 137 Romans: 11: 33-36 Matthew 16: 13-20

SCAFFOLDING

Father Stephen is delighted to inform you that the painting of the Sanctuary walls has now been completed. Hopefully the scaffolding will be taken down this week. Once again, many thanks for all your co-operation and understanding while this work was being undertaken and to all who donated towards the cost of the work.

MASS OF ALL NATIONS

On Sunday 10th September at 11.00am Mass we will once again celebrate the diversity and world-wide aspect of our parish family.

We are blessed with parishioners from many nations across the world. Parts of the Mass will be celebrated in different languages, with representatives from different nations taking part.

After Mass we will celebrate in school with a shared international table where we can sample the delights of food from across the world.

Father Stephen needs to know which of the different nations will be taking part so please can we ask you to complete a form in the sacristy.

HOLY FAMILY PRIMARY SCHOOL

SITE MANAGER

Required for immediate start

Permanent Part-Time – 23.75 hours per week - MORNINGS ONLY

Actual salary £14,655 - £15,759

We wish to appoint an enthusiastic and hardworking Site manager who will play a key role in helping us to live out our School Values every day in everything we do.

The successful candidate will be:

- Committed to maintaining a safe, secure and clean environment
- Knowledgeable of the health and safety responsibilities within a school setting
- Professional, positive and proactive, forming good relationships with all stakeholders
- Skilled at managing workload and prioritising tasks
- Able to complete practical handyman tasks and oversee larger projects

Application packs can be obtained from the Office Manager, Mrs Curvis, telephone 0161 962 5397 or email holyfamily.admin@trafford.gov.uk. Application Forms can be returned electronically or by post.

Closing date: Monday 18th September 2023 at 12 noon

Interviews: Friday 22nd September 2023

MONDAYS TOGETHER

This will resume on Monday 4th September. Before general discussion on the year ahead, Dr Viv Wilkinson will give a talk on health and well-being and offer blood pressure checks, etc.

Father Stephen would like two volunteers for each month to open up and prepare the refreshments, ie tea and coffee / biscuits. If you are interested in going on the rota or have any ideas what the group could do, please contact him.

CAFOD COLLECTIONS

Many thanks for your generous contributions to these collections. We have recently sent £619.85 to CAFOD including £237 from the CAFOD June Walk.

HOLY FAMILY TODDLER GROUP

We are looking to recruit two or three people to help at this popular Toddler group which runs on Monday mornings between 9.15am and 11.30am. Duties involve opening up, setting up the room and supporting the parents and children who come along. Full support will be given to anyone who would like to help.

If you are interested, please telephone: 0161 973 4981 for more information.

Thank you.

MEDJUGORJE

Father Stephen is in the early stages of planning a pilgrimage to Our Lady's shrine of Medjugorje. This will take place at the end of May 2024, during the school holidays, flying from Manchester to Split.

More information soon.

If interested, please sign the form in the sacristy.

EXAM RESULTS

When you look at the people who make the world go round, you may be surprised at the exams that they did or didn't manage to pass. As you get older you realise that it isn't the exams in themselves that were important but how you moved forward from that point. This of course is difficult for teenagers to believe when the importance of exams has been drummed into them from the earliest youth. We offer our prayers this week for our younger parishioners who have recently received exam results. We praise their efforts, and we support them in whatever they want to do next.

COMMENDED TO GOD

We hold in loving memory and prayers **Paula Entwistle and Mary Delia (Della) McLoughlin** 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 **Leo Alexander Braddick** who was baptised at St. Joseph's last weekend. We welcome **Leo** into the Church and commend his parents for passing on to him the Faith of the Apostles.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

Bookings are now being taken for the Pilgrimage to the Holy Land between 23 and 30 September 2024. The cost of the pilgrimage for a week will be in the region of £1800 per person. Please ask Father Stephen if you need a booking form.