



ST JOSEPH'S and HOLY FAMILY – YEAR OF THE WORD

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Mass Times and Intentions for – TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 30th August 2020

Saturday 29th August	6.00 pm	Simon Williamson	
Sunday 30th August TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Patrick Crowe Phil McGinity (B'day 29.8) Maria Wadsworth (Ann.) People of the Parish	
Monday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	Anna & Liam Martin (58th Ann.) Judith Bryant (Sick)	Ferial
Tuesday	9.30 am HF 12 noon	Priest's Intention David Chesworth (B'day Rem.)	Ferial
Wednesday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	Connie Carroll Wayne, Joanne & Family (SI)	Ferial
Thursday	9.30 am HF 12 noon 7.00 pm	Priest's Intention Ian Bradshaw (16 - recovery from accident) NO MASS	St Gregory the Great
Friday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	Dennis Doherty Marie & Harry Dixon (Diamond Ann.)	Ferial
Saturday 5th September	12 noon	Father Michael Murray	Ferial Adoration St. Joseph's 11.00am – 12 noon
Saturday (Vigil Mass)	6.00 pm	Josie Murtagh (4th Ann. 4.9)	
Sunday 6th September TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Mike Seddon Des Taylor Doreen Brown (10th Ann.) Christy Quille	

Public celebration of Mass has now resumed with restricted numbers. Please see over for details

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 count at HF and SJ is currently suspended
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ACCEPTING OUR CROSSES

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering and death at the hands of the elders, chief priests and scribes. Peter took Jesus aside, "This must never happen to you," he said. Surely Peter only had Jesus' best interests at heart. Imagine how mortified he must have felt to hear Jesus reply, "Get behind me Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

What kind of deal is it to get everything you want in life but lose your soul? So often when we finally get what we want in life, the euphoria is short lived. We might feel elated for a few days at achieving one of our closest held ambitions, but then we are left with that hollow, 'what next?' kind of feeling. Today Jesus is talking about the necessity for suffering and dying. But why does Jesus see accepting the cross as a necessity? Why does he not stop to consider the alternative that Peter suggests?

As Christians we are asked to live life differently from those who struggle to fill life with pleasure and enjoyment. There is a well-known saying that goes, 'It is better to die a meaningful death, than live a meaningless life.' As Christians we have to transcend, self-interest, self-preservation and ego trips. The person who tries to indulge in every enjoyment may find him or herself chasing impossible rainbows. Could this be Satan's favourite trick? By trying to make life perfect by our own human agendas, are we in danger of reaching the end of life only to realise we have not lived life at all?

Entrance Antiphon : **Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.**

Responsorial Psalm : **For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.**

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: **How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.**

Year A

Jeremiah 20: 7-9

Psalms 62

Romans 12: 1-2

Matthew 16: 21-27

FATHER STEPHEN WRITES

Our schools open for the autumn term this week. Some children will be moving up into new schools and some children will be starting school for the very first time. All children will be facing a different environment and different routines because of the pandemic. We pray that our children will feel safe, happy, confident and cared for. We pray for our teachers, particularly for their wellbeing in a job that is increasingly demanding and stressful.

Please also keep in your prayers me and Governors of St. Joseph's who will shortly begin the delayed process of appointing the new headteacher.

Once again, I remind you to please remain in your places until you are invited to go forward to Holy Communion. At all times you must keep the social distancing of one metre. Holy Communion will be distributed from in front of the Lady Altar and the Sacred Heart Altar. People from the side benches will be invited to come forward first and return to their seat via the central aisle. Then, those in the centre benches will be invited forward for Holy Communion and return via the side aisles.

I appreciate your patience and co-operation in trying to return to as normal as possible at this time. Please remember face coverings are now mandatory by law to be worn in church. However, if you have any reason, including medical, which exempts you please let the stewards or me know. Please see opposite about when to take your face covering off to receive Holy Communion.

I hope these bullet points will reassure you and help you on your return back to Mass.

Let us pray that the local situation regarding infection rates will continue to reduce and we will soon be able to meet family and friends in our homes and gardens. Please keep safe and well and keep the rules!

Before You Arrive

- You should stay at home if you are unwell. People who are vulnerable or who feel unsure about returning to Mass need to consider the wisdom of doing so.
- Remember the Sunday obligation has not been reinstated and live streaming of Masses will continue.
- You should avoid bringing any unnecessary items into church, e.g. shopping bags, to avoid contamination or cross infection.

When You Arrive

- You will be welcomed by a volunteer steward.
- 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.
- Any children accompanying you must do the same.
- 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.
- The repository will be closed.

During Mass

- There will be no Sign of Peace.
- There will be no singing.

Holy Communion:

- Will be distributed after the priest's communion and then return to your bench.
- The words "The Body of Christ" and "The Blood of Christ", and the reply "Amen" will only be said once before the priest's communion. They will not to be repeated for each person receiving Holy Communion.
- The volunteer stewards will direct you to the place you are to receive Holy Communion.
- People receiving Communion will be instructed to approach with their arms outstretched so as to maintain a reasonable distance from the priest, deacon or minister.
- 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

- Use only the designated exits.
- 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.
- Hand sanitiser will be available outside church.

SPRING AND SUMMER BULBS

Donations of all types of spring and summer bulbs for Holy Family church and the presbytery garden at St. Joseph's would be very much appreciated. Please can you drop them either at Holy Family or at the Presbytery. Many thanks.

FAREWELL & WELCOME - CLERGY MOVES

At this time of year, a series of clergy appointments is announced. This year we are affected by some moves in the Deanery. We say goodbye to Father Martin Onuoha who moves from Holy Angels to Our Lady & the Apostles in Stockport. We welcome to the Deanery Father Tom Cunnah to Holy Angels as parish priest; Father Owen Gallagher, newly ordained, who takes up his appointment as assistant priest to Sacred Heart & St. Peter's Baguley and to serve the chaplaincy of Wythenshawe Hospital; Father Robert Dykes, newly ordained, as assistant priest to St. Vincent's, Altrincham; Deacon Anthony Zidan to serve the chaplaincy at Wythenshawe Hospital.

OUR LADY OF MEDJUGORJE

Monthly Message – 25 August

"Dear children! This is a time of grace. I am with you and anew am calling you, little children: return to God and to prayer until prayer will be a joy for you. Little children, you do not have a future or peace until your life begins with a personal conversion and a change to the good. Evil will cease and peace will begin to reign in your hearts and in the world. Therefore, little children, pray, pray, pray. I am with you and intercede before my Son Jesus for each of you. Thank you for having responded to my call."

CONGRATULATIONS

This year we have seen a number of important anniversaries. This week we congratulate Marie & Harry Dixon on their Diamond Wedding. They have been involved in many aspects of parish life over the years and have recently recovered from Covid. We send them our love and best wishes on this wonderful day.