



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

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Mass Times and Intentions for – FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 5th July 2020

Sunday 5th July FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.30 am	People of the Parish	SJ open for private prayer 2.00pm – 4.00pm
Monday	9.30 am	Michael Duffy (1st Ann. 5.7)	Ferial
Tuesday	9.30 am HF 7.00 pm	Leonard Challender (Sick) Margaret Rigby (Sick)	Ferial
Wednesday	9.30 am	Elaine Willis (Sick)	Ferial
Thursday	9.30 am HF 7.00 pm	Margaret Strongman Mary O'Connor (B'day Rem.)	Ferial
Friday	9.30 am	Patrick O'Hara (B'day Rem)	Ferial
Saturday	<u>12 noon</u>	Maureen & Ted Docherty	St. Benedict
Saturday (Vigil Mass)	6.00 pm	Sheila Langeveld	
Sunday 12th July FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	People of the Parish John Bower All the Sick Mary & Pat O'Connor	

Please note, from Tuesday the public celebration of Mass will resume with restricted numbers.
Please see over for details

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION
Confessions now available
11.00am – 12 noon Saturdays,
observing social distancing.
Or by appointment

**SACRAMENTS OF
BAPTISM & MARRIAGE**
By arrangement with
Father Woolley

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING
SJ: - HF: -
We receive approximately £520 from
standing orders.
Thank you for your continued generosity.

Out of The Mouths of Babes

How often do we laughingly say, "...Out of the mouths of babes!" We usually say it when one of the junior members of our family has stated a glaring or embarrassing truth. To children the truth is black and white, but the older we get the more we tend to complicate issues that really ought to be very simple. Perhaps we want to dress up the truth with our own interpretations. Perhaps we want to disguise truths that make us feel uncomfortable. Whatever the reasons, as we get older the truth is harder for us to recognise.

Today Jesus criticizes the religious leaders who over complicate the law. Jesus was concerned for those people at the bottom of the social heap who could not live up to the six hundred and thirteen commandments of the Jewish law.

Jesus' intention was not to do away with the law, but he could not support the lawyers who spent their time manufacturing new and insufferable burdens for broken people. To the broken people Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

The demands of the twenty first century puts many challenges our way, and we spend a lot of our time juggling priorities and trying to live our lives by more than one agenda. Our lives are complicated and overly burdened. We look for the solutions to our problems in lifestyle magazines and in bottles of pills, no longer able to recognise simple truths.

Why don't we look more to God for solutions? God wants us all to have peace and fulfilment; all we have to do is to yield to God's agenda. The smallest child knows the difference between what is important and what is not.

Why can't we?

When Jesus says, "My burden is light," he does not mean that Christianity is an easy way out ... he simply means that his demands aren't weighed down with rules and regulations that we aren't capable of meeting. "Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves.

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Entrance Antiphon: **Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.**

Responsorial Psalm: **I will bless your name for ever.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!**

Communion Antiphon: **Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.**

Year A

Zechariah 9: 9-10

Psalm 144

Romans 8: 9.11-13

Matthew 11: 25-30

MISSIO RED BOX

Please go to the website below to see the latest Missio Red Box magazine and up to date news
missio.org.uk/mission-today

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

If you are following Mass on any of the social media live streaming, Father Woolley suggests that, during the silence after Communion, everyone prays this prayer.

My Jesus,

I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive

You sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you.

Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

GIVING TO THE PARISH

Father Stephen would like to thank all who are dropping off their offertory envelopes and donations through the presbytery door. Since the Lockdown and to date we have been able to bank £2617.32 for St. Joseph's and £710 for Holy Family. This is very much appreciated.

If you are sending in a cheque please could you make payable to 'St. Joseph Sale' if you are a St. Joseph's parishioner and to 'Holy Family Sale Moor' if you are a Holy Family parishioner.

Please contact our Planned Giving organisers with any queries re offertory envelopes, standing orders, etc.

St. Joseph's – Anne Stanley – 0161 973 9159

Holy Family – Veronica Saunders – 0161 973 3773

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION JULY

This month we pray alongside Pope Francis for 'family'.

We pray for our own families, for those who have no family, for shattered refugee families and, at this time, for families devastated by the effects of the contagion.

But more broadly we are asked to reflect on the importance of family and our place in it. We are asked not to marginalise elderly family members, but to look to their experience. We are asked not just to push our children to pass exams, but to nurture and guide them so that they grow into fine adults. We are asked to respect our spouse, never taking them for granted. This month we are invited to pray "...that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance."

COMMENDED TO GOD

We hold in loving memory and prayers

Desmond Patterson and **Anthony Thomas** 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.

HOME SUPPORT - SVP

The SVP have a dedicated phone number for anyone needing support at this time – be it a regular phone call, help with shopping, etc.

Please don't hesitate to call 07942 670277.

BITESIZE

The ordinary acts we practice every day at home are of more importance to the soul than their simplicity might suggest.

Thomas Moore Irish poet (1779 - 1852)

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

FATHER STEPHEN WRITES

I would like to update you on the measures we are taking during this Coronavirus Pandemic.

As from *this coming Tuesday* I will begin to celebrate Mass with a congregation - Holy Family at 9.30am and St. Joseph's at 7.00pm. The regular Sunday Masses begin next weekend. I have decided, at this present time, to keep the two metre social distancing

which means that the capacity of

St. Joseph's is 100 and Holy Family is 60. The number of visitors able to enter the churches will, therefore, still be restricted which means that we must close the doors once we have reached full capacity.

This is very unfortunate but please be aware we take no pleasure in turning anyone away. Please remember there is still no obligation to attend Sunday

Mass and it may be more feasible for you to attend during the week should you wish to do so. We look forward to an end to the Lockdown restrictions and to the Coronavirus and pray that we can worship together in large numbers as soon as possible.

The church will be open 30 minutes before each Mass as it will take a while to get everyone into Mass safely. When you arrive, there may be a queue to enter into church. We ask that you follow the guidance given by the stewards. To help the NHS and Contact Tracing, you will then be asked for your contact details – name and telephone number (or bring them with you on a slip of paper). These will be held safely and destroyed after two weeks and will not be used for any other purpose than recording those at Mass in case of any infections. You will also be asked to sanitise your hands and will then be shown to your seats by a steward.

There will be no singing and Mass will be shorter than normal. The collection will not be taken up at the offertory. Instead there will be a basket for your offerings as you leave the church.

You will receive Holy Communion after the final blessing and this will be distributed from the front of church and from the back of church at St. Joseph's, and from the front of church and in the Parish Centre at Holy Family. Please wait in your bench or seat until you are directed by a steward to move. After receiving Holy Communion please make your way directly out of church following the directions of the stewards. This avoids having to move around the church during the Mass. If you need Holy Communion brought to you, stay in your seat and a priest or minister will bring this to you after all others have left the church.

If you are at all worried or anxious and would like to speak to me about coming back to church, please telephone at any time.

For those who are unable to attend for any reason, Masses from St. Joseph's will continue to be live streamed.

Today (Sunday) the church is open for private prayer between 2.00pm and 4.00pm.

To open safely we will need at least five stewards at each Mass to help with the logistics and to sanitise all the seating in between Masses.

Please contact me if you are able to help.

Please remember me in your prayers as I plan the re-opening, always keeping safe. I thank you for your prayers and understanding in this most difficult and stressful situation.

KEEP SAFE, KEEP WELL. GOD BLESS ALL!