

**The Parish of St Joseph &
The Parish of St Charles Borromeo, Sheffield**



Sixth Sunday of Easter

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Please remember in your prayers all the sick and housebound, especially: Joan Gerstel, Eunice Mannion, Madge Wolstenholme, Frank Rodgers, Jonathan Dempsey, Andy Mitchell, Leesa McManus, Eileen Valance, Marie Montgomery, John Carroll, Lol Hodges, Sheila Habershon, Rita & Vin Todd, Georgina Shirt, Maria Tarnowski, Elizabeth Barron, Margaret Wainwright, Jimmy Cahill, Martin Humphreys, Susan De Couto, Jacqueline Wagland, Sr. Teresa Paschal, Tom Bryant. If you would like anyone included on this list, and the individual concerned or a family member has consented to it, simply write the person's name down and hand it to one of the clergy or to the Office.

The **prayer to St Joseph** which Pope Francis has asked us to say frequently through the year:

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.

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Gift Aid makes a significant contribution to our income and, if you are a taxpayer who does not use the scheme but would like to know more, then please contact Fr M. Thank you for your support. **A box for any offering you wish is available as you enter the church. Thank you.**

Our annual **Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour continues this Tuesday, 11 May**, at 7.00pm in St Joseph's church. All welcome.

Tuesday, 11 May, *St Joseph, Chosen by God*

Tuesday, 18 May, *St Joseph, Faithful Servant*

Tuesday, 25 May, *St Joseph, Patron of the Church*

Tuesday, 1 June, *St Joseph, Patron of Families*

Tuesday, 8 June, *St Joseph, Patron of Workers*

Tuesday, 15 June, *St Joseph, Friend In Suffering*

Tuesday, 22 June, *St Joseph, Patron of a Happy Death*

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Pope Francis' May prayer to Mary for the end of the pandemic

In the present tragic situation, when the whole world is prey to suffering and anxiety, we fly to you, Mother of God and our Mother, and seek refuge under your protection.

Virgin Mary, turn your merciful eyes towards us amid this coronavirus pandemic. Comfort those who are distraught and mourn their loved ones who have died, and at times are buried in a way that grieves them deeply. Be close to those who are concerned for their loved ones who are sick and who, in order to prevent the spread of the disease, cannot be close to them. Fill with hope those who are troubled by the uncertainty of the future and the consequences for the economy and employment. Mother of God and our Mother, pray for us to God, the Father of mercies, that this great suffering may end and that hope and peace may dawn anew. Plead with your divine Son, as you did at Cana, so that the families of the sick and the victims be comforted, and their hearts be opened to confidence and trust.

In the present tragic situation, when the whole world is prey to suffering and anxiety, we fly to you, Mother of God and our Mother, and seek refuge under your protection. Protect those doctors, nurses, health workers and volunteers who are on the frontline of this emergency, and are risking their lives to save others. Support their heroic effort and grant them strength, generosity and continued health. Be close to those who assist the sick night and day, and to priests who, in their pastoral concern and fidelity to the Gospel, are trying to help and support everyone.

Blessed Virgin, illumine the minds of men and women engaged in scientific research, that they may find effective solutions to overcome this virus.

Support national leaders, that with wisdom, solicitude and generosity they may come to the aid of those lacking the basic necessities of life and may devise social and economic solutions inspired by farsightedness and solidarity.

Virgin Mary, turn your merciful eyes towards us amid this coronavirus pandemic. Comfort those who are distraught and mourn their loved ones who have died. Mary Most Holy, stir our consciences, so that the enormous funds invested in developing and stockpiling arms will instead be spent on promoting effective research on how to prevent similar tragedies from occurring in the future.

Beloved Mother, help us realize that we are all members of one great family and to recognize the bond that unites us, so that, in a spirit of fraternity and solidarity, we can help to alleviate countless situations of poverty and need. Make us strong in faith, persevering in service, constant in prayer.

Mary, Consolation of the afflicted, embrace all your children in distress and pray that God will stretch out his all-powerful hand and free us from this terrible pandemic, so that life can serenely resume its normal course. To you, who shine on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope, do we entrust ourselves, O Clement, O Loving, O Sweet Virgin Mary. Amen.

<i>Mass Intentions</i>	
Monday 10 May <i>Eastertide weekday</i>	John & Mary Rice & Family
Tuesday 11 May <i>Eastertide weekday</i> <i>Week 3</i>	10.00am Paddy Hickey 7.00pm Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour
Wednesday 12 May <i>Eastertide weekday</i>	November Memorial List
Thursday 13 May <i>The Ascension of the Lord</i>	10.00am Sheila Flaherty
Friday 14 May <i>St Matthias</i>	John Armstrong
Saturday 15 May <i>Eastertide weekday</i> Vigil Mass of Sunday at St Joseph's	5.00pm Madeleine & Don Knight In Thanksgiving
Sunday 16 May <i>7th Sunday of Easter</i>	9.00am For the People 10.00am John Flaherty

This week St Joseph's Sanctuary Lamp burns for:
The Sick & The Dying

This week St Charles' Sanctuary Lamp burns for:
Healthcare Workers & Carers

**Please pray for Bethan Smith *RIP*, for all who have died recently &
for those whose anniversaries occur around this time.**

Prayer of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen. *St Alphonsus Ligouri*

Last week's collection was £562.00 (£392.00 in offertory envelopes, £170.00 in loose). Many thanks for your continuing support!