

**The Parish of St Joseph &
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Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

19 September 2021

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Please remember in your prayers all the sick and housebound, especially: Reece Wilson, Jason Barron, Fr Frank Flynn, Liz Moran, Elizabeth Dodson, Pat Collett, Eunice Mannion, Madge Wolstenholme, Frank Rodgers, Jonathan Dempsey, Andy Mitchell, Eileen Valance, Marie Montgomery, John Carroll, Lol Hodges, Sheila Habershon, Rita & Vin Todd, Georgina Shirt, Maria Tarnowski, Elizabeth Barron, 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.

Money Matters: Thank you to everyone who has made a financial contribution in these difficult times, your continued generosity towards our churches is greatly appreciated. **To make a standing order or one-off payment the details you need please contact the office.** 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.**

Please note that you can now e-mail our deacon, Simon, directly at: stjosephsdcn@outlook.com

Holy Communion & Visiting the Sick: If you or someone you know would like a visit please speak with Fr M or our deacon, Simon. Likewise, if you are an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion and would like to resume (or begin) visiting someone regularly and taking them the Blessed Sacrament then please speak with one of the clergy.

Church Cleaning & Readers: If anyone would like to help with the cleaning of our church or would like to assist in the celebration of Mass by reading then please do not hesitate to let me know. Thank you.

Altar servers: If you would like to resume serving at holy Mass or would like to begin doing so (and you have already celebrated your First Holy Communion) then please speak with Fr M or our deacon, Simon

The **First Holy Communion Mass** for the Class of 2020-21 will take place on **Saturday, 2 October, at 10.00am**, here at St Joseph's Church. I kindly remind parents that Louise George is undertaking the preparation and that your support and active encouragement are vital in helping your child's faith to grow. Christian parents are called to teach our children all they need to know about how to live on earth and come to life in heaven.

The **All Saints School Year 6 Open Morning** is next Saturday 25 September from 10.00am to 12.00pm: ‘This year we are hosting a face-to-face event in school alongside a virtual Open Morning online on our school website. There will be four sessions available on the day in school, and we request that you book onto one of the four sessions by visiting the link <https://www.allsaints.sheffield.sch.uk/year-6-into-year-7/> We look forward to welcoming you.’

This October, an ‘**Assisted Dying**’ Bill will be debated in the House of Lords. If successful it will allow a terminally ill adult with less than 6 months to live, assistance to commit suicide. The Catholic Church teaches that this represents a crime against human life; we cannot directly choose to take the life of another, even if they request it. The Bishops therefore urge you to pray this Bill is defeated, write to Peers and MPs expressing concern about this proposed legislation and share our resources and those of our allies, in the weeks ahead with family and friends, especially via social media. Guidance on how to write to politicians can be found here: parliament.uk/get-involved/contact-an-mp-or-lord/

Study for the **Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS)** in Hallam: Are you interested in studying for the Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS), a nationally accredited course about the Catholic faith? The first module on the Old Testament, begins on 2 October for three consecutive Saturday mornings, 9am-12.30pm at the Hallam Pastoral Centre (in person, socially distanced). Modules on the New Testament, Sacraments etc. will be offered later in the year. For more details about the course please see the national CCRS website. Application forms are available at formation-mission@hallam-diocese.com The closing date for applications is 25 September.

Sheffield Hospitality Jamboree – Jobs are on the Menu! Hospitality, Leisure and Tourism: exciting opportunities Wednesday 29 September, Winter Garden 10.00am-3.00pm. Are you looking for a new job, fancy a change of career or just some extra money for Christmas?! Then come along to **Sheffield City Council and Job Centre Plus** jobs jamboree where we have lots of opportunities in Hospitality, Leisure and Tourism – there is something for everyone with Full- and Part-time, Permanent and Temporary jobs with some great employers. We can help & support you with getting back into work if you’ve been off for a while, update your CV, practice for interviews, help you access training.

<i>Mass Intentions</i>	
Sunday 19 September <i>25th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8.45am Joe Hynes 10.00am For the People
Monday 20 September <i>St Andrew Kim Taegon & Cc.</i>	10.00am Reece Wilson
Tuesday 21 September <i>St Matthew</i>	10.00am Joan Gerstel
Wednesday 22 September <i>Ordinary Time weekday</i>	November Memorial Dead List
Thursday 23 September <i>St Padre Pio</i>	Celebrant's Intention
Friday 24 September <i>Our Lady of Walsingham</i>	10.00am Celebrant's Intention
Saturday 25 September <i>Ordinary Time weekday</i> Vigil Mass of Sunday at St Joseph's	5.00pm Celebrant's Intention
Sunday 26 September <i>26th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8.45am Vargheese James 10.00am For the People

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 Patrick Quinn 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 £619.30 (£394.50 in offertory envelopes, £224.80 in loose). Many thanks for your continuing support!