

**The Parish of St Joseph &
The Parish of St Charles Borromeo, Sheffield**
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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

26 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.**

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 next **Saturday, 2 October, at 10.00am**, here at St Joseph's Church. Please remember the children, their catechists and their families in your prayers.

Although somewhat limited due to the ongoing pandemic, our **Piety Stall** has a variety of **First Holy Communion cards & gifts** and these will be **available after our Masses this weekend** (please allow people to leave the church after Holy Communion).

CAFOD Fast Day – *Climate Crisis Appeal*, Friday, 1 October. There will be an offerings box available at all Masses next weekend or you can donate online via the CAFOD website at cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis

Please be aware that **parking outside St Joseph's School** (in the zig-zag zone) **is not permitted at any time** and you could face a penalty if you park there. Apparently, the school has been informed that there have been some complaints from neighbours regarding parking there on Sunday mornings.

October is the month of the **Holy Rosary** - a great form of prayer that teaches us to reflect deeply on the Mysteries of Our Lord. Our customary Sunday morning **public recitation will recommence before the 10.00am Mass, next Sunday, 3 October**. Everyone is welcome to come along a little earlier and join in.

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/

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.

The diocese wishes to recruit an experienced individual as a **Director of Youth Ministry** to lead on the development of Youth Ministry: salary £30K-£35K (depending on experience). Further details and an application pack can be obtained from Mrs Jessica Moylan (jmoylan@hallam-diocese.com), closing date 6 October at 12 noon.

<i>Mass Intentions</i>	
Sunday 26 September <i>26th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8.45am Vargheese James 10.00am For the People
Monday 27 September <i>St Vincent de Paul</i>	10.00am Sile Burns
Tuesday 28 September <i>Ordinary Time weekday</i>	10.00am Faith Greenfield
Wednesday 29 September <i>Ss Michael, Gabriel, Raphael</i>	November Memorial Dead List
Thursday 30 September <i>St Jerome</i>	Joan Gerstel
Friday 1 October <i>St Thérèse of the Child Jesus</i>	10.00am Ints. of Biney & Wilson Families
Saturday 2 October <i>Holy Guardian Angels</i> Vigil Mass of Sunday at St Joseph's	10.00am First Holy Communion Mass In Thanksgiving 5.00pm For the People
Sunday 3 October <i>27th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8.45am Anne Hamilton 10.00am Mathew Cyriac

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 Faith Greenfield, Anne Hamilton & Michael Whyte
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 £514.37 (£365.50 in offertory envelopes, £148.87 in loose). Many thanks for your continuing support!