

**The Parish of St Joseph with
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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5 February 2023

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Please remember in your prayers all the sick and housebound, especially: Margaret Dakin, Madge Wolstenholme, Fr Bill Bergin, Ton & Joyce McGowan, Heidi Howson, Audrey Rodgers, Sylvia Hayden, Janette Taylor, Leonard & Mary Cooper, Sonia Prince, Fr Michael O'Connor, Reece Wilson, Jason Barron, Liz Moran, Elizabeth Dodson, Pat Collett, Eunice Mannion, Sue & Frank Rodgers, Andy Mitchell, Marie Montgomery, John Carroll, Lol Hodges, Rita & Vin Todd, Georgina Shirt, Maria Tarnowski, Elizabeth Barron, 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 in. Thank you.*

Some changes at the church of St Charles Borromeo

As was recently announced, the Sheffield Polish Catholic Community have now moved to their new premises on Broomspring Lane, near the University of Sheffield. This means that they have concluded their use of St Charles Church which they had care of during the pandemic. All our parishes have been affected by the pandemic and the current community living in St Charles parish has been no exception. For the past three years the small resident Catholic community has had its various sacramental, pastoral and educational needs served from St Joseph's church and school at Handsworth and this will continue to be the case.

However, in order to cater to the needs of the now larger Slovak Catholic Community that principally resides in the area (and the wider city and neighbouring Rotherham for example) the care of St Charles Church will be passed to them. Other groups such as Jesus Youth and the Eritrean Orthodox Community also make their 'home' there. In a time of great change it is important to evaluate things and this provision will be reviewed again by the bishop at a future date.

In many ways this means that much remains the same and both the patrimony of the church of St Charles and the spiritual needs of her people, whichever language group they belong to, shall, please God, continue to be cared for.

The next **meeting** of our **SVP** group is **this Thursday**, 9 February, at **7.30pm**. If you would like a **visit from the SVP** or you know of anyone who would benefit from such a visit then please contact our deacon, Simon or Fr M.

The feast of Our Lady of Lourdes on **11 February** is also the occasion of the annual **World Day of Prayer for the Sick**. This is an observation that was introduced by Pope St John Paul II as a way for believers to offer their prayers for those suffering from illnesses. As this falls on a Saturday this year I will offer the **Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick at the conclusion of the 5.00pm Mass** and also **at the 12 February, Sunday morning Masses too**.

First Holy Communion preparation: the **next meeting** for the children is on **Saturday, 25 February**, from 9.30am until 12 Noon in the Y4 classroom at St Joseph's school. Please remember the children in your prayers.

Dates for your diary:

Ash Wednesday 22 February, a *Day of Fasting & Abstinence*: our annual observance of Lent begins with Masses at 10.00am, with St Joseph's School, and 7.00pm.

Saturday, 25 February, A Lenten Recollection; a morning at St Joseph's Church, with a Talk at 10.00am, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 10.30 with Confessions available, Benediction at 11.20am and concluding with Mass at 11.30am.

Sunday, 2 April, Palm Sunday, Holy Week begins.

Sunday, 9 April, Easter Sunday.

The **annual diocesan Safeguarding event**: '*Hidden Harms...from Social Distancing to Social Solidarity*' will take place on **Saturday 25 March**, from 9.45am – 4.00pm at St. Joseph's, **Wath-upon-Dearne**, (there is a Mass of the Annunciation at 9.00am for those who wish to attend). The event is open to all safeguarding representatives, parishioners and volunteers. Refreshments and a free lunch will be provided. To book a place contact Jo Pearson on 2566453 or jpearson@hallam-diocese.com

Carmel Care Group - for women who have experienced migration:

There is a group running at the Carmel Care Centre, every Friday, from 11.00am–2.30pm, for all women who have experienced migration. It includes a free lunch and activities, including relaxation, art and music. The Carmel Care Centre is at 172 Dykes Hall Road, Sheffield. For more information, please call Janet on 07927 657462.

Diocesan Formation and Mission Event: **A Day of Reflection at the Beginning of Lent** with Fr Denis McBride CSsR, on Saturday, 4 March, at Whirlow Grange Spirituality Centre, Sheffield, from 10:00am - 4:00 pm. Participants should bring their own packed lunch. You can book at: www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/hallam-formation-and-mission-46212155433

Our **bank charges** have risen significantly over the past two years and while in the past these had been 'absorbed' by the diocese they are now being charged directly to individual parishes. These charges include a standard monthly fee as well as fees for all individual transactions. *We are being charged particularly for banking cash and cheques.* To help alleviate these charges please consider making a regular contribution to the parish via standing order. Thank you.

The Sacred Liturgy

<p>Sunday 5 February <i>Fifth Sunday</i> <i>in Ordinary Time</i></p>	<p>8.45am For the People</p> <p>10.00am Nora Petitt</p>
<p>Monday 6 February <i>Ss Paul Miki & Companions</i></p>	<p>10.00am Norah Butler</p>
<p>Tuesday 7 February <i>Ordinary Time weekday</i></p>	<p>10.00am In Thanksgiving (BM)</p>
<p>Wednesday 8 February <i>Ordinary Time weekday</i></p>	<p>November Memorial Dead List</p>
<p>Thursday 9 February <i>Ordinary Time weekday</i></p>	<p>10.00am Dave Myers</p>
<p>Friday 10 February <i>St Scholastica</i></p>	<p>9.00 – 9.55am Exposition</p> <p>10.00am In Thanksgiving (Jenkinson Family)</p>
<p>Saturday 11 February <i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i></p> <p><i>Vigil Mass of Sunday</i></p>	<p>5.00pm Mr James K</p>
<p>Sunday 12 February <i>Sixth Sunday</i> <i>in Ordinary Time</i></p>	<p>8.45am For the People</p> <p>10.00am Kevin Hegarty</p>

Last week's collection was £669.08 (£393.00 in offertory envelopes, £276.08 in loose). Many thanks for your continuing support.

This week St Joseph's Sanctuary Lamp burns for:
 The sick and all who are suffering

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

APF – Mill Hill *Missio* Thank You & Red Box Appeal: Fr Dermot Byrne MHM wishes to thank you for your warm and kindly welcome last weekend.