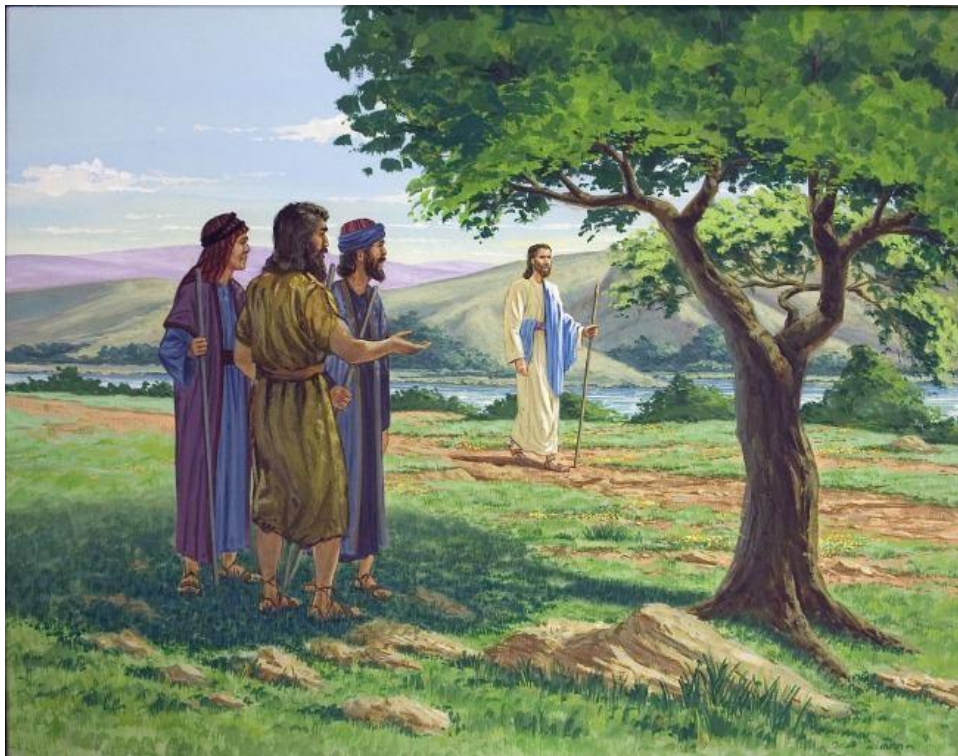


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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

14 January 2024

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Please remember in your prayers all the sick and housebound, especially: Alan Charlesworth, Harley Bond, Eileen McManus, Pauline Sheppard, Jackie & Brian Whelan, Ann Parkinson, Joanne Marklew, Lol Hodges, Margaret Dakin, Madge Wolstenholme, Tom & Joyce McGowan, Heidi Howson, Audrey Rodgers, Sylvia Hayden, Janette Taylor, Sonia Prince, Reece Wilson, Jason Barron, Liz Moran, Elizabeth Dodson, Pat Collett, Eunice Mannion, Sue & Frank Rodgers, Andy Mitchell, Marie Montgomery, 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.*

Thank you to those who helped take down the Christmas decorations after the 10.00am Mass last Sunday, it was much appreciated.

As we know, **St Joseph's Choir** greatly enhance our celebration of the sacred liturgy. Should you be interested in joining the choir then please speak with Christopher (those under 18 years must have a letter of parental consent, the details of which can be obtained from Christopher). Remember, even if you cannot commit all year round your seasonal participation is still of value! As always, additions to our Tenor and Bass voices would be particularly welcome. The next **Choir practice** will be **this Monday, 15 January at 7.00pm**. The preparation for Easter begins and Easter is early this year!

First Holy Communion preparation

There is an **introductory meeting for parents and children after the 10.00am Mass this Sunday, 14 January**, in the undercroft (this should only take about 30 minutes).

The first class will take place on Saturday, 27 January, from 09.30am until 12 noon in the undercroft and it will be followed by classes on the following dates:

Saturday, 24 February,
Saturday, 23 March,
Saturday, 20 April &
Saturday, 27 April (final class).

Dates for your diary:

14 February, Ash Wednesday, a Day of Fasting & Abstinence: our annual observance of Lent begins with Masses at 10.00am and 7.00pm.

Tuesday, 19 March, the **Solemnity of St Joseph** and our patronal feast day. Mass at 10.00am with St Joseph's School

Sunday, 24 March, Palm Sunday, Holy Week begins.

Sunday, 31 March, Easter Sunday

In **The Bible in a Year** podcast Fr. Mike Schmitz walks you through the entire Bible providing commentary, reflection, and prayer along the way. Each 20-25 minute episode includes: two to three scripture readings, a reflection from Fr. Mike Schmitz and a guided prayer.

Radio Maria England is a 24 hour Catholic Radio Station set up to broadcast programmes promoting and expressing the Christian Faith. It aims to support Catholics and others in their spiritual life and witness to those who wish to learn more about the Catholic Faith and there is a daily broadcast Mass also. It is part of the World Family of Radio Maria, formed in 1998 in response to the apparitions and messages of our Lady in Medjugorje and Fatima. Radio Maria currently has 77 radio stations across 5 continents with 500 million listeners world-wide. There is an App available for download or visit the website to discover more at radiomariaengland.uk/

The **2024 Pilgrimage to Lourdes** will take place on Friday, 28 June, to 4 July, 2024. The fare is £879pp - 6 nights Full Board (excl. Ins.) flying from Leeds Bradford Airport direct to Lourdes. Applications are particularly welcome from pilgrims who need help due to medical issues/mobility. Volunteer doctors, nurses and helpers are also required. Details are available through each diocesan High School for young people to travel with their school groups. Young people aged 16-18 in parishes who do not attend Catholic schools can email smcdonald@hallam-diocese.com for details on how to join with the other youth. Booking forms are available at the back of the church or at hallam-lourdes.com and enquiries can be made at 01302 247910 or 07724 650066.

I Am the New Year

I am the New Year.

I am an unspoiled page in your book of time.

I am your next chance at the art of living.

I am your opportunity to practice what you have learned about life during the last twelve months.

All that you sought and didn't find is hidden in me, waiting for you to search it out with more determination.

All the good that you tried for and didn't achieve is mine to grant when you have fewer conflicting desires.

All that you dreamed but didn't dare to do, all that you hoped but did not will, all the faith that you claimed but did not have - these slumber lightly, waiting to be awakened by the touch of a strong purpose.

I am your opportunity to renew your allegiance to Him who said, "Behold, I make all things new."

Anon

THE SACRED LITURGY

<p>Sunday 14 January <i>Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i></p>	<p align="center">8.45am Jeff Mason 10.00am For the People</p>
<p>Monday 15 January <i>Ordinary Time weekday</i></p>	<p align="center">10.00am Private Intention</p>
<p>Tuesday 16 January <i>Ordinary Time weekday</i></p>	<p align="center">10.00am Intentions of Shane & Eleanor Rice</p>
<p>Wednesday 17 January <i>St Antony</i></p>	<p align="center">November Memorial Dead List</p>
<p>Thursday 18 January <i>Ordinary Time weekday</i></p>	<p align="center">10.00am Peter & Cecelia O'Hara</p>
<p>Friday 19 January <i>Ordinary Time weekday</i></p>	
<p>Saturday 20 January <i>Ordinary Time weekday Vigil Mass of Sunday</i></p>	<p align="center">5.00pm For the People</p>
<p>Sunday 21 January <i>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i></p>	<p align="center">8.45am Thomas Conway Snr 10.00am Merle Palmer</p>

Please pray for Marie Carey RIP, for all who have died recently & for those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

Last week's collection was £602.82 (£302.50 in offertory envelopes, £300.32 in loose). Many thanks for your continuing support.

Last weekend's retiring collection for Aid to the Church in Need in Gaza & Israel **was £423.55**. Thank you.

Our **Childrens' Liturgy** has resumed after the Christmas break at the Sunday 10.00am Mass. It is of great value to help support our children in this important way. If you would be interested in helping please speak to Fr M.