



Parish of The Sacred Heart and St Joseph

with the churches of
The Sacred Heart, Hemsworth and Saint Joseph, Moorthorpe

Diocese of Leeds: Registered Charity No 249404



Year B, Eastertide, Sunday 7, 12/13 May 2018

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Saturday 12 May	6.00pm Mass	Sacred Heart	Dennis Garner
Sunday 13 May	9.00am Mass 10.45am Mass 1.00pm <i>Baptism</i> 3.15pm <i>Mass in Polish</i>	St Joseph's Sacred Heart Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	Pat Holmes Joshua Swift Frankie Ryan Ormsby
Monday 14 May	9.10am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass 12.00-1.00pm Exposition	St Joseph's St Joseph's Sacred Heart	Yorkshire Brethren
Tuesday 15 May	7.30am Mass 12.00-1.00pm Exposition	Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	Vincent Wood
Wednesday 16 May	10.45am <i>Funeral Mass</i> 12.00-1.00pm Exposition 7.00pm Mass	Sacred Heart Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	Pauline Yvonne Chapman Derek, Christopher & Mark Jones
Thursday 17 May	9.10am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass 12.00-1.00pm Exposition	St Joseph's St Joseph's Sacred Heart	Trevor Stones
Friday 18 May	8.30am Mass 12.00-1.00pm Exposition	Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	James McNally
Saturday 19 May	9.30-10.30am Exposition 6.00pm Mass	St Joseph's Sacred Heart	Faithful Departed (Nov List)
Sunday 20 May	9.00am Mass 10.45am Mass	St Joseph's Sacred Heart	Jack Knepshild Parish Family

This Sunday, with us to share in our 9.00am Mass
we welcome the Bishop Konstant Catholic Academy Choir



**Next Weekend, between our Parish Masses
thirteen of our Parish Family are to be
Confirmed in the Holy Spirit**

**Please keep them and their Sponsors
and Families, in prayer, through this week**

Saturday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: 9.30-10.30am
1st & 3rd of the month at St Joseph's 2nd & 4th of the month at The Sacred Heart
with the Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10.00am
Sacrament of Reconciliation otherwise by appointment with Fr Anthony

From Fr Anthony

From the *Dogmatic Constitution on the Church* of the Second Vatican Council:

See, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah... I will plant my law within them and inscribe it in their hearts. I will be their God and they shall be my people...

It was Christ who established this new covenant, the new testament in his blood, calling into being, from Jews and Gentiles, a people that was to form a unity, not in human fashion but in the Spirit, as the new people of God. Those who believe in Christ, reborn not of corruptible but of incorruptible seed through the word of the living God, not from the flesh but from water and the Holy Spirit, are constituted in the fullness of time as *a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people God has made his own..., once no people but now the people of God.*

This messianic people has Christ as its head: *Christ who was given up for our sins and rose again for our justification*; bearing now the name that is above every name, he reigns in glory in heaven. His people enjoy the dignity and freedom of the children of God, in whose hearts the Holy Spirit dwells as in a temple. They have as their law the new commandment of loving as Christ himself has loved us. They have as their goal the kingdom of God, begun on earth by God and destined to grow until it is also brought to perfection by him at the end of time, when Christ, our life, will appear, and *creation itself will be freed from slavery to corruption and take on the freedom of the glory of God's children.*

This messianic people . . . is established by Christ as a communion of life, of love and of truth; it is used by him as an instrument for the redemption of all, and is sent out into the world as the light of the world and the salt of the earth.

The new Israel, as it makes its way in today's age, seeking a city that is to come, a city that will remain, is also known as the Church of Christ, for he acquired it by his own blood, filled it with his Spirit and equipped it with appropriate means to be a visible and social unity. God has called together the assembly of those who in faith look on Jesus, the author of salvation and the principle of unity and peace, and so has established the Church to be for all the visible sacrament of this unity which brings with it salvation.



Things happening in our Parish

Add a Flower This weekend, at all our Parish Masses, all are asked to add a flower to Pentecost Wreaths that will be displayed outside both of our Churches, so to draw the attention of passers-by, as we are about to celebrate one of the great Christian Feasts - *Pentecost*. Do please spare a few moments of your time, to add your flower (all materials are provided).



Sponsor Monies If there are any sponsor monies not yet given over, following Caroline Copeland's Marathon run, please pass them on to her or Fr Anthony, by next weekend at the latest.

Confirmations All should, by now, be aware that Bishop Marcus is lowering the age at which the Sacrament of Confirmation is normally to be administered, through our Diocese. Baptised Catholics, now in school years 5 or 6, are eligible to soon begin to prepare for Confirmation, so as to be Confirmed early in 2019. This includes any who have not yet received First Reconciliation and Eucharist, for which they can prepare following Confirmation.



Parents/Carers of Children who are eligible and who are at either of our Parish Schools, should receive a letter, via the Schools, within the next two weeks. If they do not, they should please contact Fr Anthony for a copy.

Any Parents/Carers of eligible Children who are not at our Parish Schools, please ask Fr Anthony for a copy, after a weekend Mass, in the next two or three weeks.

An information meeting will be held **Sat 16 Jun**, in our Sacred Heart Church, 9.30-10.30am. Eligible Children are also asked to attend with their Parents/Carers.

Bkcat Choir at St Joseph's Mass this weekend, are due to be with us again at our Sacred Heart Church, **10 Jun**.

Paulinus Lottery K Asher is our latest winner, with a return of £375.

& In Our Diocese

Revelation For any in school years 8-13. Praise, talk, games, groups, Adoration, at Wheeler Hall (St Anne's Cathedral), Leeds, Tue 22 May, 6:30-8:30pm. If planning to attend, please contact youth@dioceseofleeds.org.uk.

This Weekend, on the event of his Baptism into our Parish and Church Family. we congratulate and pray for
Frankie Ryan Ormsby
with his parents
Ryan and Beau

Notices for the Bulletin need to be received by Wednesday 12.00noon, at the latest.

Sacraments

Baptism A Preparation Programme, for Parents of Children to be baptised, will be held in our Sacred Heart Hall, **Weds 13 & 27 Jun**, 7.30-9.00pm. To join a Programme, Parents should talk with Fr Anthony, at a weekend Mass, to arrange an initial meeting with him.

The Programme is for any expecting, as well as Parents with baby born.

Confirmation Our *Candidates* are to be Confirmed at our Parish Masses:
next Sat/Sun, 19/20 May

First Sacraments Our *Children*, who have this year already celebrated First Reconciliation, will meet in our Sacred Heart Parish Hall:

Sat 23 Jun, 10.00am-1.00pm

Details of the next Programme of Preparation for First Reconciliation will be given in the Autumn.

Marriage Usual minimum notice, six months. Contact, Fr Anthony.

But seriously

DO YOU KNOW?

Within the first few words of Luke's Acts of the Apostles, Jesus emphasises that the apostles were



'chosen through the Holy Spirit', would soon be 'baptised with the Holy Spirit' and would 'receive power when the Holy Spirit' came upon them'. In short, the Holy

Spirit would be crucial to their being Christ's witnesses.

Famously, the prophet Elijah heard and felt God's spirit in a 'gentle breeze', or in some translations, 'in sheer silence'. What did the apostles hear on the first Christian Pentecost?

OR MAYBE NOT SO!

A little girl became restless as the preacher's sermon dragged on and on. Finally, she leaned over to her mother and whispered, "Mummy, if we give him the money now, will he let us go?"

Parish Monies

Thank You very much for your offerings last weekend:

Loose	£181.25
Envelopes	£446.93

Collections, etc

This Weekend Door Collection, at each of our Masses, to help raise money towards the cost of training priests for our Diocese.

THE GOD WHO COMES

Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword back in its sheath" (John 18:11)

Everywhere there are men and women of every faith willing to go to prison to accelerate the development of peoples. On the social horizon of the exploited there are not only the papal encyclicals, even the most modern ones of Pope John and Pope Paul.

No, the development of Peoples, technology, astrophysics, medicine, culture, art, politics, are not confided more to the gospel than to any other text.

They are not more the theme of Jesus than of Engels and Einstein.

This needs explanation.

God gave man the task of setting the earth in order—to cultivate and care for it—(Gen. 2:15).

The social message, the stimulus for all revolutions, is not the gospels, but in Genesis.

Adam is the all-time revolutionary, not Jesus.

And all men are in Adam; all men are not yet in Jesus.

God did not wait until the coming of Christ to send his message of equality and justice to the people. He sent it at the creation of man; He gave it at the same moment in which He breathed the Spirit upon him.

Man as created by God is already capable of understanding that one must not live on the blood of the poor, and that white skin is not more precious than black.

Jesus drives home the concepts expressed by the Father at creation; He insists on them with greater strength, but His message goes further.

He did not come to free us from the chains of capitalism; He came to free us from the more painful, more radical chains that make every one of us at heart a capitalist—sin and death.

He did not come so much to speak of earth, which we knew more or less already, as to speak to us of what is beyond this earth, of the nature of our existence and of His mystery, of the meaning of our vocation and of its importance.

He came to speak to us about the Invisible because we already had the visible under our noses and, after such a long history, we should have ordered it better.

And this visible world, this material to be set in order, this building of the earthly city, is not something which concerns only those who are following Christ; it concerns all men whatever creed they follow, whatever vocation they obey.

The message of Jesus goes further.....

From: The God Who Comes—Carlo Carretto



Please Keep
in Prayer

All whose **Anniversaries** occur about this time
All who have **died recently**
especially Pauline Chapman, and her family



Also: All those **sick** or **infirm**, especially:

Br Hilarion Durkin, Margaret Hinchliffe, Bridget Johnson, Isabelle Blake, Elizabeth Olbison, Catherine Brown
Karen Dearing, George Potts, Sheila Jordan, Peggy Heneghan, Phyllis Brown, Mary Ogley, Kazia Andruszko
David Olbison, Liz Allen, Hilda Bailey, Mary Marston
and all who receive Holy Communion at home

The Word: Year B, Eastertide, Sunday 7

Gospel: John 17:11-19

Surprisingly, this wonderful final chapter of Jesus' discourse after the Last Supper comes in the Sunday readings only on this Sunday (in each year of the three-year cycle). In the whole discourse (John 14-17) Jesus is preparing his disciples for the time of the Church after his death and resurrection. On this final chapter, however, he is speaking of his death itself, or rather of his consecration by his death. How exactly it is the actual words of Jesus we do not know, but it is a great prayer which is fully in accord with what Jesus would be thinking on this daunting occasion. The prayer centres on the Fatherhood of God and the coming of the Kingdom or Kingship of God by the sanctification or consecration of the world, especially in the sanctification of the disciples, praying also for the deliverance of the disciples of Jesus from evil (as in the final petition of the Lord's Prayer). Fully in view of his own approaching sacrifice Jesus prays that by his own glorification his disciples also may be consecrated. The prayer is also a fitting preparation for Pentecost at which the Church is consecrated by the coming of the Spirit.



First Reading: Acts 1:15-17. 20-26

During Eastertide we have been working through the Acts of the Apostles, listening to the progress of the earliest community. Now on the final Sunday before Pentecost, we suddenly return to the very beginning, the very first incident after the Ascension. This is important for three reasons. Firstly, it shows the importance of the apostolic

body, the Twelve. With the defection of Judas it was still important that there should be that number. Not only is it a good solid number, three times four, but also it is the number of the tribes of Israel, and the apostolic community is the continuation of the Chosen People. Secondly, but still in the same sense, it fulfils the scripture, as Peter points out. The early Christian reflection in the New Testament on the events of the Passion, Death and Resurrection of the Lord is constantly linked to the scriptures, and a multitude of details is shown to be 'in accordance with the scriptures'. It was obviously important for the community to know that everything that occurred was running to the will of God for the Christian community as it was expressed in the scriptures. Thirdly, the witness of the Twelve had included the earthly life and ministry of Jesus as well as to the final events of his life; we need to know about these in order to see that Jesus was proclaiming and bringing the Kingship of God by his teaching and his healing.

Second Reading: 1 John 4:11-16

To conclude the series of readings about the love which God shows to us, and which we in our turn should show to one another, comes this lovely Trinitarian reading, obviously also preparing for Pentecost and Trinity Sunday. The love of Father for Son is an eternal factor, technically known by theologians as the 'circumcession' ('sitting in and around' or mutually enveloping each other). That love reaches to us in time by God's sending of his Son to us to give us a share in his Spirit. So in Christ and in his Spirit we too are enveloped in that cloud which is the divine love. If we take this seriously we can hardly abstain from passing on that love to others. Love is not something private, for myself, but is something transitive, passing on and on the warmth and openness from one person to another. If I love you, you will love me, and our love will pass on and ignite others.

Courtesy of 'The Wednesday Word Trust'

The Word: Year B, Feast of Pentecost

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

2nd Reading : 1 Galatians 5:16-25

Gospel: John 15:26-27;16:12-15

Prayer of the Church

Psalter Week 3

Sun + Seasonal Proper

Mon Proper of Saints

Tue + Seasonal Proper

Wed + Seasonal Proper

Thu + Seasonal Proper

Fri + Seasonal Proper (+ Proper of Saints)

Sat + Seasonal Proper (+ Common of Pastors)

This Week's Feasts & Saints

Mon ST. MATTHIAS, APOSTLE

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri St. John I, Pope & Martyr

Sat St. Dunstan, Bishop