



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, Ordinary Time, Sunday 13: 30 June / 1 July 2018

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Saturday 30 June	5.00pm Mass <i>NB No Mass at 6.00pm</i>	Sacred Heart	Eileen Tighe
Sunday 1 July	9.00am Mass 10.45am Mass 1.00pm <i>Baptism</i>	St Joseph's Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	Tony Cortese Bill Halsall
Monday 2 July	9.10am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass 12.00-1.00pm Exposition	St Joseph's St Joseph's Sacred Heart	Parish Family
Tuesday 3 July	7.30am Mass 12.00-1.00pm Exposition	Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	Yorkshire Brethren
Wednesday 4 July	12.00-1.00pm Exposition 7.00pm Mass	Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	Edith Martin
Thursday 5 July	9.10am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass 11.00am <i>Funeral Service</i> 12.00-1.00pm Exposition	St Joseph's St Joseph's St Joseph's Sacred Heart	Pat Holmes Karl Langman
Friday 6 July	8.30am Mass 12.00-1.00pm Exposition	Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	Alan Bailey
Saturday 7 July	<i>No Exposition today</i> 6.00pm Mass	Sacred Heart	<i>No set time for Reconciliation today</i> Stanley Wilson
Sunday 8 July	9.00am Mass 10.45am Mass 1.30pm <i>Wedding</i> 3.15pm <i>Mass in Polish</i>	St Joseph's Sacred Heart Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	Tony Durkin Billy & Sarah Kelly Bill Watson & Lea Lauzon Gabriola

On the event of her Baptism, this Sunday, we congratulate and pray for
Rae Sofia O'Brien, with her parents Charlotte and Chade



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

What kind of people was Jesus talking to when he said 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him' (Jn 14:23) - or, 'I have made your name known to them so that the love with which you loved me may be in them' (Jn 17:26)? Jesus tells us that it was to the poor and simple, and even sinners, that he was sent to reveal this great mystery of the Father's love and his wish to dwell in the hearts of his people. 'It was then that, filled with joy by the Holy Spirit, he said "I will bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children"' (Lk 10:21).

Someone has said that the only equipment we need for prayer is time. But, above all, there must be desire for the Lord and his friendship. It is easy to say the prayer of the Psalmist: 'As a doe longs for running streams, so longs my soul for you, my God' (Ps 42:1). But to be so serious

about it as to discipline self and make the time - that is another matter. It is easier to spend an hour reading a book about prayer than to



spend the hour praying. A cartoon shows two gateways. Over one is written 'Heaven' and thousands of joyful, simple people are pouring through the gate. Over the other is written 'Lectures on Heaven' and through this gate streams a large flow of rather serious-looking intellectuals, theologians and religious! We need to become children to enter the kingdom of prayer. But that does not mean that prayer is child's play. It is helpful to be honest and admit that, in a sense, prayer is not easy. It is no offence to God to say that prayer is difficult. If we are honest and accept this, we might investigate why it is difficult and be prepared, in spite of the difficulties, to persevere in seeking the Lord's face in prayer.

Many give up prayer through disappointment, which often stems from false expectations of prayer. Many hope they will arrive, after some time, at distraction-free prayer which will bring feelings of consolation. Or they hope for an obvious improvement in their moral and spiritual life. When these good results do not seem to be forthcoming and when prayer, after years of perseverance, remains dry and distracted, they feel it is a waste of time. Even worse, some feel ashamed and think that their poor prayer is almost an offence to God.

*From 'Give God a Chance' (Ch.18) (abbreviated) -
by Robert Kelly, SJ*

**Come! Come! Come! Enjoy
ALL THE FUN OF THE FAYRE
at our Parish Garden Party, next Saturday 7 July
10.00am on, in our Sacred Heart Grounds
And bring all your friends on the day**



**A lotta bottles wanted for
the Bottle stall -- and for all
the stalls your quality
donations**

**We also need many of you
to help with the stalls
so please sign up on the list
at one of our Churches**

Things happening in our Parish

Gift Aid If any who Gift Aid, in favour of our Parish, have not yet collected their Letter from the Diocesan Officer, please collect it today, from the Church Entrance Hall. If you cannot find it, please inform Margaret Whitehouse, Jackie Ventom, or Fr Anthony.

Join our Parish Family Outing, Thursday 2 August

Suited to younger and older alike: do come if you can.

Bar Convent Heritage Centre, York.

Depart: Sacred Heart 9.45am and St Joseph's 10.00am
*Guided Tour, then about 3 hours to take lunch, picnic,
and to walk the walls, or river, or the shops, etc.*

Limited number (35). Coach places can be secured at either of our Churches, on payment of £20 per adult and £12 per child. Cost of coach and guided tour included.

Nb: Monies cannot be refunded, except if the place/s can be filled or the event were to be cancelled.

*Book from next weekend, 7/8 Jul, with Jackie Ventom,
Bernadette France, Elizabeth Smith, or Fr Anthony.*

Proudly To Be Presented by our St Joseph's Primary School, Wed 18 Jul and Thu 19 Jul, 2.00pm, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat*. All are invited, but please inform the school if you wish to attend - email: lwelsh@sjm.bkcat.co.uk - tel: 01977-651755.

Confirmations Baptised Catholic Children, who are now in school years 5 and 6, are eligible to prepare to receive the important Sacrament of Confirmation, early in 2019. Any Parents/Carers who wish to bring their Child/ren to prepare, but missed the information meeting, for whatever reason, need to obtain from and also return to Fr Anthony an application form, by this **Sun 1 July**.



& Nationally

Adoremus: Eucharistic Congress in Liverpool, 7-9 Sep: Bookings for the main event on Sat 8 Sep can now be made on line: see <http://adoremus.uilcc.org/> and follow link. Details about the whole weekend's events, including the parallel programme in the various churches of Liverpool, can be found on the same website.

*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 19 & 26 Sep**, 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 Meeting for *Applicants along with their Parents/Carers*, in our Sacred Heart Church and Hall:

Sat 14 Jul, 10.30am-12.30pm

Time for a lunch together included. Please bring enough food for your own number to be added to a shared table.

First Sacraments Our *Children*, who are now preparing for First Eucharist, will next meet in our Sacred Heart Parish Hall:

Sat 15 Sep, 10.00-12.00am

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.

Parish Monies

Thank You very much for your offerings last weekend:

Loose £231.56
Envelopes £532.00

Collections, etc



THE GOD WHO COMES

'If I... have not love, I am nothing' (1 Cor 13:2)

What does it mean, 'a revolution of the heart', a change of heart?

That is precisely the territory of Jesus, what the real gospel is all about.

But do our hearts need changing?

Anyone of you who feels right in his heart, on good terms with his own heart, satisfied with his own heart, raise your hand. I certainly shall not put up mine.

Nothing has made me suffer so much as my heart!

Nothing in my life has rewarded me with heavier chains!

Even today, after so many years of forcing myself, of renunciations, of battles, it is like a sickness within me.

If I could tear it out, I should do so willingly, but I cannot. I must not.

There is nothing to be done: I must force myself to change it. I have been trying for so many years and I have not succeeded yet.

By way of encouragement, God tells me in scripture: 'I will remove the stony heart from their bodies, and replace it with a natural heart...' (Ezek. 11:19). But I'm still waiting asking myself when and how this will happen.

In our community the other day there wasn't much coffee.

Coffee does me good down here in the desert...it helps me...I am old.

I was worried about not having any, about spending a few hours feeling dull and weak, and so—without perceiving the evil I was doing—I went into the kitchen before the others and drank up all that was left.

Afterwards, having suffered all day and made my confession, I thought in shame of my selfishness, of the ease of which I had excluded my two brothers from those black, bitter remains.

It seems a tiny thing, yet in that cup of coffee, taken and not shared with my brothers, is the root of all the evil which disturbs us, the poison of all the arrogance which selfishness riches, and power create.

The difference between me and Jesus is right here, in an affair that seems simple but isn't at all; after a whole life time it is still there to make you think. Jesus would have left the coffee for the brothers; I excluded my brothers.

No, it isn't easy to live with hearts like ours: let us confess it.

Let us look, for example, at what happens in marital love.

When a man says to a woman, 'I love you', his first impression is that he really wants good for her.

But before long he realises that in reality it is himself he loves, and then, too often, selfishness poisons the relationship and reduces it to an act of possession, rather than a gift of oneself.

How difficult it is to love!

From: The God Who Comes—Carlo Carretto



But seriously

DO YOU KNOW?

Rome developed as a place of pilgrimage during the Middle Ages. The Vatican and also the catacombs (where early Christians buried their dead and also worshipped during persecutions) were places to visit. In the Middle Ages, there was also a tradition of visiting seven particular Churches, in Rome, within 24 hours.

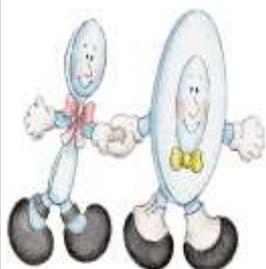
While Jesus had never been to Italy, Rome had two sites of pilgrimage where there were items that it was believed Jesus had touched. What were these?

OR MAYBE NOT SO!

Some wives have unique ways if getting things done. For several weeks one wife had been asking her husband to mend the doorbell, without success. Her final solution was to hang a metal

pie dish and a large metal spoon on the door.

Needless to say, he got the message. The bell was mended the following day.



Please Keep
in Prayer

All whose **Anniversaries** occur about this time
All who have **died recently**
especially Karl Langman, Rose Ann Cave,
Jaye Timothy Vincent, and their families



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, Malcolm Stuart
and all who receive Holy Communion at home

The Word: Year B, Ordinary Time, Sunday 13

Gospel: Mark 5:21-43

The author of the Gospel of Mark likes to combine incidents to show their joint significance, often, as here, sandwiching one story between the two halves of another. In this instance it is surely significant that both recipients of Jesus' healing love are women. Only a minority of Jesus' miracles concern women, and the bringing together of these two, one a girl and the other an old woman, serves to stress their importance to Jesus. It is unfair to accuse the Bible of being male dominated. A mother's devotion is a frequent image of God's love. There are plenty of feisty women in the Old Testament, who put their men-folk to shame by their courage, enterprise and initiative: Rebec-



ca, Tamar, Deborah, Ruth, Esther, Judith. Jesus' own relationships with women seem to have been easy and even humorous. One need only think of his playful bargaining with the Syro-Phoenecian over the cure of her daughter, or the jokey exchange between Jesus and the Samaritan woman at the well, not to mention his delicacy towards the woman taken in adultery or the sinful woman who showed her love by weeping at his feet. Paul also clearly relied in many ways in his apostolate on the ministry of women.

First Reading: Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24

The first reading, as so often, looks towards the gospel reading, where Jesus raises the little girl from death. It takes the opportunity to reflect on death in God's scheme of things. For those who have no faith, death rules everything. It is the absolute end, perhaps a release from suffering, but always a tragedy for somebody, the awesome end-point from which there is no return. The Book of Wisdom

was written at a time when belief in immortality and the resurrection was emerging in Israel. Earlier Israel had believed that the dead dwelt in a sort of powerless half-life in Sheol (not unlike the Greek Hades), where it is impossible even to pray. But Israel came to realise that the love of God for every person was so strong that it could never be broken off by death. As Jesus was to say, God is a God not of the dead but of the living. This reading is wonderfully positive and ebullient, for God is a God of life in all its positive forms, and these are all a reflection of God's own life. The fullest of all these reflections is the life of each human individual, created in the image of God.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 8:7.9.13-15

Paul's Letter to the Galatians shows that there was a major disagreement in the early Church between those who held that Christians must still obey the Jewish Law and those who did not. The Law-party was led by the Church at Jerusalem under James, brother of the Lord. After all, he argued, Christianity is the fulfilment of the promises to Abraham, the fulfilment of Judaism! Paul set about healing the breach by making a great collection from his gentile Churches to take to the Church at Jerusalem as an act of homage and friendship. There seems to have been many poor people at Jerusalem, whom the people of such a bustling and successful harbour-town as Corinth could help. Paul writes in this letter, giving the basic principle of Christian generosity: the imitation of Christ, who gave himself wholly in love. Yet he also gives the invaluable principle that each individual's conscience is the only yardstick. Not all of us can reach our human fulfilment by living in the destitution of St. Francis of Assisi, and each must judge their giving by their own conscience. Some Christian communities prescribe one tenth of their income in giving. Paul avoids any mathematical formula, for circumstances and obligations differ—as well as generosity.

Courtesy of 'The Wednesday Word Trust'

The Word: Year B, Ordinary Time, Sunday 14

1st Reading: Ezekiel 2:2-5

2nd Reading : 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

Gospel: Mark 6:1-6

Prayer of the Church

Psalter Week 1

Sun + Seasonal Proper

Mon Week 1

Tue Proper of Saints

Wed (or + Proper of saints)

Thu (or + Proper of Saints)

Fri (or + Proper of Saints)

Sat Week 1

This Week's Feasts & Saints

Mon

Tue ST. THOMAS, APOSTLE

Wed St. Elizabeth of Portugal

Thu St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest

Fri St. Maria Goretti, Virgin & Martyr

Sat