



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 15: 14/15 July 2018

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Saturday 14 July	6.00pm Mass	Sacred Heart	Anthony, Esther & Stephen Tighe
Sunday 15 July	9.00am Mass 10.45am Mass	St Joseph's Sacred Heart	Louise Tredgold Joe Sankey
Monday 16 July	9.10am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass 11.00am Mass 12.00-1.00pm Exposition	St Joseph's St Joseph's Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	Patrick Grant <i>With SH School Children</i> Mary Marston
Tuesday 17 July	7.30am Mass 12.00-1.00pm Exposition	St Joseph's Sacred Heart	Kieran O'Connell
Wednesday 18 July	12.00-1.00pm Exposition 7.00pm Mass	Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	<i>With SH School Leavers</i> Parish Family
Thursday 19 July	<i>No Morning Prayer today</i> 9.30am Mass 12.00-1.00pm Exposition 4.00pm Receive Body	St Joseph's St Joseph's Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	<i>With SJ School Children</i> Thomas Ryan Irene Wileman
Friday 20 July	9.45am Funeral Mass 12.00-1.00pm Exposition	Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	Irene Wileman
Saturday 21 July	9.30-10.30am Exposition 6.00pm Mass	St Joseph's Sacred Heart	Jaye Timothy Vincent Milner
Sunday 22 July	9.00am Mass 10.45am Mass	St Joseph's Sacred Heart	Joseph & Kathleen Smith William Kelly

All are invited to our end of school year and the Sacred Heart School leavers' Masses
at the above noted times and venues



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

In a film entitled *The Ruling Class*, Peter O'Toole played the part of an eccentric nobleman who felt sure he was God. When asked why he thought this, he replied: 'Well, you see, they say that to pray is to talk to God. Now, whenever I pray, I find that I am talking to myself!' Many believers who try to pray would admit, if they were honest, that this eccentric nobleman was not the only one to have this thought.

Prayer calls for faith, love and humility. How humbling it is to enter the presence of the Lord and some minutes later find yourself engaged in a trivial, even base exercise of the imagination. Would it not be better to be out working for the good of neighbour? Is there a personal God who listens, and speaks, and wants my love? Or is there only my neighbour, and is loving him or her enough? What would Jesus say? He speaks of loving God with the whole heart and says that this is the first commandment. I must resist the temptation to think my prayer is a waste of time. If I persevere, I can come to believe that, though nothing might seem to happen, the moments of stillness, when I seek awareness of the Lord, are the most important and precious moments of my day, no matter what else I may do that day.



Jesus came to save the world. As it turned out, he lived only thirty three years on earth. Thirty of those were spent in the obscurity of Nazareth. Doing what? We could say 'nothing' or we could say 'growing'. Our idea of urgency and efficiency are perplexed by this strange choice of his, this extraordinary disproportion: thirty years growing and only three years of active evangelisation, and with so much to be done. Judged only by our standards of efficiency, Jesus wasted many years, but, again and again, he is inviting us to find and live by his values and standards, to think and live by the thoughts of God, not humankind. During those hidden years Jesus was often with his Father in prayer. I doubt if he was looking for 'results'. His compassion, his love, his trust, his mercy, his courage, and his death were the essential fruit of those years of hidden growth. Our prayer may often seem poor and wasted. Let us see it through God's eyes. Our prayer is our hidden life. It is humble and hidden, but it is life.

From 'Give God a Chance' (Ch.19) (abbreviated) - by Robert Kelly, SJ

Join our Parish Family Outing, Thursday 2 August Suited to young and old 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 inc. Nb: Monies cannot be refunded, except if the place/s can be filled or the event were to be cancelled.

Booking now open, with Bernadette France, Jackie Ventom, Elizabeth Smith, or Fr Anthony.

Things happening in our Parish

CaFE Pilot of *The Gift: a life in the Spirit Course*. The six DVDs are to be presented by CaFE with a local team, at Ss Peter and Paul's, Wakefield, over two Saturdays, **22 Sep and 6 Oct**, 10.00am-4.00pm. Places are free, but limited to four per Parish. Any of our Parish Family who are interested and should be able to attend, please obtain a flyer from Fr Anthony, at earliest convenience.

Our Parish SVP is to meet **Wed 18 Jul**, 7.30pm, in our Sacred Heart Hall. To know more of their work or to join them, please have a word with any present Member.

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.

& 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.

Again, very many thanks to all who helped at/with, or contributed to our **Summer Garden Fete**

We totalled a **£1357.57 profit**
Profit includes £291.30 in raffle ticket sales at our Saturday/Sunday, 7/8 July, Masses (2017 totalled £1756 with post Fete raffle sales)



Unclaimed prizes: contact Fr Anthony, with winning ticket

Name Green Dyno: Joe (S Sankey)

Raffle Prizes - Orange: 979 M&S Hamper, 595 Cheese/Wine, 427 Perfumes His/Hers, 49 Family Lucky Bag, 412 Cuddly Toy - **Blue:** 548 Drinks Hamper, 736 Ringtons Gift Set, 717 Quilt, 849 Toiletries - **White:** 15 Beer & Snacks, 275 Cath Kidson Gift Set, 13 Towel Bale.

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 8 Sep, 9.30-10.30am

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.

But seriously

DO YOU KNOW?

In the reign of Alfonso II of Asturias (818-42), remains were found at Compostela, that Bishop Theodemar of Iria claimed as those of the apostle St James the Greater. During the 10th and 11th centuries, the cathedral of Santiago de Compostela became a place where several kings of Galicia and Leon were crowned and, during the 12th century, it was second only to Jerusalem and Rome as a place of Christian pilgrimage.

When did Canterbury become a widely known place of Christian pilgrimage?

OR MAYBE NOT SO!

When the Rev. Dr Drummond was ninety, he was persuaded by some friends to have his photograph taken. When the young photographer said he hoped he might have the honour of photographing him on his hundredth birthday, Dr Drummond replied, 'Well, I don't see why not. You look very healthy.'



Parish Monies

Thank You very much for your offerings last weekend:

Loose	£270.37
Envelopes	£442.00
Jun Bank Orders	£1116.00

Collections, etc

This Weekend Retiring Collection after each Mass, towards meeting the needs of the Retired Priests of our Diocese.

THE GOD WHO COMES

A married couple who only love each other end by becoming egoistic, closed in; little by little their love dries up. If they introduce charity, which is the triune way of loving, they find in their union an ever-new fountain of freshness, a corrective to sensuality, an ideal reference which carries them outside themselves into an authentically divine dimension.

Acceptance of a child—what is it if not concrete acceptance of the third person, present in their love, which will help them to come out from their potential egotism and will even drag sensuality—always as dangerous as a drug—towards poetry of fecundity and life?

And it is the same for any other relationship of love, between man or between man and things.

Human love tends to bring about a love between two; charity teaches us to keep sight of the third presence.

Oh, I know these are only images, but even images are useful! God in His love is Trinity, and love is the image, even though pale and inadequate, of the Trinity.

The bridegroom who loves the bride is a person; the bride who gazes on the bridegroom and loves him is the other person. Love which runs the risk of drying up with each feeding on the other, in pleasure which is an end in itself, becomes free, becomes godlike, when the eyes of the child appear between the two—the personification of the love between the two.

And so it is in all relationships.

The danger of making love sterile through the selfishness of pleasure disappears, or at least diminishes, if one introduces into the relationship an ideal element, an aim, a dynamic, something which causes man to rise above the terrible danger of reducing the relationship into a single moment of pleasure.

Because don't let us forget, nothing is more destructive than pleasure sought for its own sake.

Nothing weakens man more than the sensual search for pleasure. Imperial power itself falls before the use and abuse of this refined poison known to all the civilizations of the welfare state.

There is no further ideal when we become slaves to it; there is no limit to our own ruin when we become entangled in it.

Oh, if, as I said before, this pleasure at least created peace, joy...then let it come! Who could deny it? But we know what it creates. What sadness a man gets from the cult of pleasure!

What chains it places upon the shoulders of these stupefied drug addicts.

No, there is no peace for anyone who leaves the equilibrium created by nature itself. I think there is less suffering in crucifixion than in being drugged. If there is a hell on earth, and there is, it is more for those who have searched out pleasure without regard for law and affections, than for those who have accepted daily suffering and the cross of existence.

If it were not so, God would not be God.

From: The God Who Comes—Carlo Carretto



**Please Keep
in Prayer**

All whose **Anniversaries** occur about this time
All who have **died recently**
especially Irene Wileman, Phyllis Brown, 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, Hilda Bailey, Mary Ogle, Kazia Andruszko
David Olbison, Liz Allen, Malcolm Stuart, Ann Pearson
and all who receive Holy Communion at home

-&- A special prayer and congratulations for May Myatt, on celebrating birthday 99

The Word: Year B, Ordinary Time, Sunday 15

Gospel: Mark 6:7-13

The instructions for missionaries are shaped by the urgency of the Kingdom. The Twelve are to travel light for speed. They should wear sandals rather than go barefoot, also for speed and security. They are to rely for their provisions on the welcome they receive and, if they are unwelcome, they should not waste time on those who reject them. Did Jesus think that the Kingdom or Kingship of God would finally burst on the world in his own time, that there was so little time to spare? In one way it did—at his death and Resurrection, which fulfilled God's plan and restored us to friendship with God. In another way the Kingdom is still in the future: the reign of peace and justice is not yet established. There is still sorrow, distress, enmity, fraud, jealousy and plenty of other evils which fracture God's Kingship. We are still imperfect reflections of the light of Christ, still pilgrim members of a pilgrim Church. Our efforts are often feeble, even when we try to walk in Christ's footsteps. We cannot sit back complacently, any more than the missionaries of Jesus' own time. The task of establishing the Kingdom is still imminent.



First Reading: Amos 7:12-15

Amos had a tricky task on his hands. He was sent unwillingly by God from the neighbouring kingdom of Judah to tell their bitter rivals in the kingdom of Israel to change their ways, to stop exploiting the poor and the weak and to bring sacrifices which were a real expression of homage to God who champions the needy and the powerless. No

surprise that he was booted out of the national shrine and told to go off home and mind his own business. We don't like prophets who try to shake us out of our comfortable ways, pointing out our inadequacies, challenging us to be true to God's plan for us. In vain Amos insisted that he was not a professional trouble-maker, that all he had wanted was a quiet life looking after his flocks and herds and sycamore trees. But then the Lord had insisted on giving him the special task of prophesying. The exciting thing about being a Christian is that we never know when we will be called by the Lord to do some special task, great or small—even if it is only welcoming the unexpected and tiresome visitor and remembering that he or she comes in the place of Christ.

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14

Today we start reading the great letter to the Ephesians, the first of seven Sunday readings. Many scholars think that this letter was written not by Paul himself, but by a follower steeped in Paul's thought. Gone are the old problems of Jew and gentile; reflections are on a cosmic scale, and Christ is evaluated in terms of the cosmic powers. The letter is quite different in style to Paul's other letters and develops many of his ideas. Perhaps it is the first commentary of Paul's writings. The sevenfold blessing with which the letter begins sums up God's plan of salvation for humanity. The climax is in the centre of today's reading, 'to bring everything under Christ as head'. Christ is the Wisdom of God, the plan according to which and through which all things were created. Christ is also the completion of the creation—and the unity of all things in Christ is a special emphasis of this letter. All things are under Christ as head of creation: he is all nourishment for creation and all guidance of creation. These are the functions which a head performs for a body, and these are the functions which Christ performs for creation.

Courtesy of 'The Wednesday Word Trust'

The Word: Year B, Ordinary Time, Sunday 16

1st Reading : Jeremiah 23:1-6

2nd Reading : Ephesians 2:13-18

Gospel: Mark 6:30-34

Prayer of the Church

Psalter Week 3

Sun + Seasonal Proper

Mon (or + Proper of Saints)

Tue Week 3

Wed Cmn of Dedic. of Church + Diocesan Proper

Thu (or + Proper of Saints)

Fri (or + Common of Martyrs or Pastors)

Sat (or + Proper of Saints)

This Week's Feasts & Saints

Mon Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Tue

Wed Dedication of Leeds Cathedral

Thu

Fri St. Apollinaris, Bishop & Martyr

Sat St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest & Doctor of the
Church