



# 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 C, Ordinary Time, Sunday 24, 14/15 September 2019

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<b>Saturday</b> 14 September	6.00pm Mass	Sacred Heart	Patricia Chapman
<b>Sunday</b> 15 September	9.00am Mass 10.45am Mass	St Joseph's Sacred Heart	Peter Gee Emmie Walker
Monday 16 September	9.10am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass 12.00-1.00pm Exposition	St Joseph's St Joseph's Sacred Heart	Jean Strutt
Tuesday 17 September	7.30am Mass 12.00-1.00pm Exposition	Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	Donor's Intention
Wednesday 18 September	9.30am Mass 12.00-1.00pm Exposition 7.00pm Mass	Sacred Heart Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	With SH School Children   Parish Family Faithful Departed (Nov List)
Thursday 19 September	9.10am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass 12.00-1.00pm Exposition	St Joseph's St Joseph's Sacred Heart	Joseph Abraham
Friday 20 September	8.30am Mass 12.00-1.00pm Exposition	Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	Tony Sweeney
<b>Saturday</b> 21 September	9.30-10.30am Exposition 6.00pm Mass	St Joseph's Sacred Heart	Darren Potter
<b>Sunday</b> 22 September	9.00am Mass 10.45am Mass	St Joseph's Sacred Heart	Noreen & Mary King Norah Gallagher

At 10.45am Mass, this Sunday, prior to his up-coming Baptism, we present and pray for Sebastian Owsiejczyk, with his Parents, Piotr and Anna

Next Sunday, 22 Sep, Rite of Enrolment to Prepare for First Eucharist, at both Masses



Sacrament of Anointing & Healing  
Any with a *serious* (but not necessarily life threatening) physical or mental illness or infirmity, whether short term or on-going are invited to receive this Sacrament, at any *one* of our Masses  
Saturday/Sunday, 28/29 September  
If any are at all unsure whether they qualify, please ask Fr Anthony



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

## From Fr Anthony

*St Hilda*, according to Bede, was born in 614, as a daughter of Hereric (nephew of King Edwin of Deira) and his wife, Breguswib. When Hilda was still an infant, her father was poisoned, while in exile, at the court of the King of Elmet. Hilda was then brought up at King Edwin's court.

In 625, the widowed Edwin married the Christian princess Aethelburh, of Kent. Within the marriage contract, Aethelburh was allowed to continue her Christian worship. Bishop Paulinus of York went with her to Northumbria. In 627, King Edwin was baptised on Easter Day, along with his entire Court, including the 13-year-old Hilda. In 633, Northumbria was overrun by the pagan King of Mercia and King Edwin was killed. Hilda went with Queen Aethelburh, back to Kent, where the Queen-Abbess founded a convent, at Lyminge.

However, Hilda soon returned to the North-East. Here, with a few companions, she adopted the traditions of Celtic monasticism, as brought by the



Bishop Aidan from Iona (Isle of Mull). Aidan appointed Hilda Abbess of Hartlepool Abbey. Then, in 657, Hilda became the founder Abbess of Whitby Abbey, where she remained until her death. Archaeological evidence tells that her monastery was in a Celtic style, with its members living in small houses, each for two or three. It was also a double monastery, where monks and nuns lived apart, but worshipped together in one church.

In his history, Bede describes Hilda as a woman of great energy, and a skilled administrator and teacher. As one in charge of the monastic land, she had many in her employ, caring for sheep and cattle, farming, and woodcutting. She gained a reputation for wisdom and kings and princes sought her advice. However, she also had a real concern for ordinary folk, such as Caedmon. He was a herder at the monastery, who was inspired to sing verses in praise of God. Hilda recognized his gift and encouraged him to develop it. Bede wrote, "All who knew her called her mother because of her outstanding devotion and grace".

The prestige of Whitby is reflected in the fact that King Oswiu, of Northumberland, chose Whitby as the venue for the Synod of Whitby, attended by churchmen from far and wide. This was called to sort out the differences between the Christian Celtic and Roman traditions. There is no doubt that Hilda was very influential in the calling of and the effectiveness of the Synod, which managed to finally unite the two sides, after decades of ill-feelings and bickering.

Parish aim of the Month: September  
We need at least three people, men or women,  
**one for St Joseph's and two for The Sacred Heart.**  
*Please talk with Mick Moran for The Sacred Heart or Bernadette France for St Joseph's, or Fr Anthony for either, to help keep our Church Grounds well kept.*

## Things happening in our Parish

**First Reconciliation 2020** Application Forms for those eligible to join the next Programme of Preparation for the First Sacraments (Baptised Catholic Children in School Year 3 or above), should be available during this coming **October**, and might then be collected after a weekend Mass, from Fr Anthony.

**Please, please** unless you wish to burn down a church (and hopefully you don't), on the votive candle stands, do **not** leave matches on the slats for lit candles nor on the drip trays. Matches may be left below, with the new, unused candles to be bought. !! Think safety first !!

**Pro-Life Today** Is available at Masses, this weekend. Please take a copy home with you.

### & In the Diocese

**Altar Servers** and their families are invited to the Annual Mass, with Bishop Marcus, at Leeds Cathedral, Sat 21 Sep, 12.00nn. Any Servers and families intending to go, please contact Paul Stuart (tel 07519-120741), asap. Take a picnic lunch, if you wish, to eat in Wheeler Hall afterwards.

**St Wilfrid's Way** Annual diocesan walk Leeds to Ripon, Fri/Sat, 11/12 Oct. See details on the Diocesan website, to join all or any part of the walk, or any of the Pilgrims' Masses and Devotions at historic sites along the way.

### Meet the Bkcat Chairman

Charles Gillott, Chairman of the Bishop Konstant Academy Trust (which includes our Parish Schools and St Wilfrid's), has kindly accepted an invitation to our **Sacred Heart Hall, Thu 26 Sep, 7.00pm**, to talk of how the Trust works and answer questions. **All members of our Parish Family will be welcome.**

### A Great Social Event

Do come along to our Sacred Heart Parish Hall, for **Race Night, this Friday 20 September**  
First Race, 7.30pm - Bring your own refreshments

**Why not be a Jockey or Owner on the night? Positions can be bought before the evening. Ask a member of our Parish SVP - but be quick.**

**Monies raised will go to our Parish SVP funds.**



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

## Sacraments

**Baptism** Our Preparation Programme, for Parents of Children to be baptised, will continue in our Sacred Heart Hall, **Wed 25 Sep**, 7.30-9.00pm. To join the next 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 12 Oct**, 9.30-11.30am

**First Eucharist** Our *Children* who are now preparing to celebrate their First Communion, *and their Parents/Carers*, are to meet, in our Sacred Heart Hall,

**Sat 21 Sep**, 10.00am-12.00nn.

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

## But seriously

### DO YOU KNOW?

Cardinals, if not already a bishop when appointed, have very commonly been ordained a bishop when raised to be a Cardinal. John Henry Newman requested that he not be ordained a bishop, and Leo XIII granted this request. He also agreed to Newman staying in Birmingham.

*On 11 August, 1890, thousands lined the streets of Birmingham, for the funeral cortege of Cardinal John Henry Newman. Where, in 2010, and by whom was Newman beatified?*

### AND SERIOUSLY!

All the water in the world  
However hard it tries  
Can never sink the smallest ship  
Unless it gets inside

And all the evil in the world  
The blackest kind of sin  
Can never hurt you in the least  
Unless you let it in.



## Parish Monies

**Thank You** very much for your offerings last weekend:

Loose	£278.88
Envelopes	£418.50
Aug Bank Orders	£1531.00

## Collections, etc

Last weekend's collection for -

Apostleship of the Sea - £210.78

*Thank you.*



## A New order in the Court: The Full Flowering of the Sacrament Lapse—Sided Development

In some places the bishops absolved sins such as murder, adultery and apostasy but only after the sinners performed heavy penances, which might take years of difficult daily labour to complete. Over time, the Church modified these practices to make them less burdensome, to encourage Christians to find strength in the Eucharist for overcoming sin, and to keep sorry sinners from falling into despair.

Not all Christians were eager to welcome sinners back to the fold. Some argued that the Church was better off without such weaklings and misfits. The issue came to a head in North Africa when a man named Cyprian was bishop of Carthage (A.D. 248-258). It was a time of persecution; Some Christians went bravely to their deaths, while others, sad to say, renounced Christ when faced with the threat of death or torture. Some of those who "lapsed" in the faith later regretted their decision and sought readmission to the Church. They met bitter opposition, however, from other Christians who had survived torture without renouncing Christ.



neither the day nor the hour when they might be called. (Indeed, at all times, we know neither the day nor the hour when we will face our final judgement.) Said Saint Cyprian:

I entreat you, beloved brethren, that each one should confess his own sin, while he who has sinned is still in this world, while his confession may be received, while the satisfaction and remission made by the priests are pleasing to the Lord. Let us turn to the Lord with our whole heart, and, expressing our repentance for our sin with true grief, let us entreat God's mercy....He Himself tells us in what manner we ought to ask: "Return to me," He Says, "with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts, and not your garments." (Jl 2:12)

Cyprian could evoke the prophet Joel to exhort a "gentile" people to make their confession. Why? Because the prophet, the Saviour and the saint shared a single understanding of confession, conversion and covenant. The Church's mission from Christ Himself, was to proclaim that understanding as gospel, as good news: "that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be preached in [Christ's] name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem" (Lk 24:47).

From Lord, Have Mercy—Scott Hahn

**Please Keep  
in Prayer**

All whose **Anniversaries** occur about this time  
All who have **died recently**, especially  
Wayne Langman, Mary Veronica Kelly. 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, Kazia Andruszko, Ann Pearson  
David Olbison, Liz Allen, John O'Brien, Joan Aston, Dennis Fricker, Monica Lowe, Cynthia Potts  
Nicola Glew, Janice Coyle  
and all who receive Holy Communion at home

**The Word: Year C, Ordinary Time, Sunday 24**

**Gospel: Luke 15:1-32**

In today's Gospel St. Luke recounts three particular attractive stories about forgiveness. The first two form a typical Lukan pair. First he tells the story of the lost sheep, which also occurs in St. Matthew's Gospel account. Luke, however, places the accent on the joy in heaven at the return of the sinner. Then, to the story of the man looking for his sheep, Luke adds the story of a woman looking for her lost coin. He is always careful to show that women have an equal part in the Kingdom with men. So he deliberately pairs Zechariah and Mary, Simeon and Anna, Jairus' daughter raised to life with the widow of Naim's son, and so on. The main story today, however, is the Prodigal Son, told with all Luke's love, artistry and delicacy of character-study. In the full version of this Gospel, we hear of the wastrel son who goes back home simply because he is hungry; of the loving father perpetually on the look-out, running to meet the son, interrupting the carefully prepared speech and pampering the returned young dissolute; of the disgruntled stay-at-home who invents slanders about the other's 'loose women' and is gently corrected by his father's reminder that he is 'your brother'. Jesus presents us with an unforgettable picture of the overflowing love and forgiveness of God.



**First Reading: Exodus 32:7-11. 13-14**

We start off with a fine argument between the Lord and Moses. 'Your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt', say the Lord to Moses. 'Your people whom you brought out of the land of Egypt', say Moses to the Lord. Like parents, each blames the other for a misbehaving child. As soon as Moses' back was turned, Israel made itself an idol in the form of a golden calf—or rather a golden bull, called a 'calf' merely to be derisory—after the model of the local storm gods. The principal point is that, for all his blazing anger, the Lord cannot maintain his wrath against the people who he has promised an eternal inheritance. Once again, God changes his mind. His love

of his people triumphs over his anger. In the next chapter of Exodus he passes before Moses and cries out the meaning of the name 'the Lord': a God of mercy and forgiveness, slow to anger, rich in faithful love and constancy—a meaning of the name which will echo throughout the pages of the scriptures. This first reading prepares us for the story of the Prodigal Son in the Gospel.

**Second Reading: 1 Timothy 1:12-17**

We read the two letters to Timothy over the next seven Sundays. Many scholars hold that, in accordance with a contemporary convention, the letters to Timothy and Titus were not actually written by Paul, but by a faithful disciple, still inspired by Paul, who puts what Paul would have said in the particular circumstances the letters have to deal with. Paul is represented as giving directions to his two principal co-operators in their organisation of Church structures. These letters present a valuable picture of the problems of the Church, a generation or two after Paul, as (towards the end of the first century AD) they were settling into an organisational pattern, and discerning how to live out their beliefs in the context of a Hellenistic society into which they were born and which had its own value system. In the present reading Paul's open confession of his ferocious way of life before his conversion to Christianity, and the mercy he received from the Lord, pairs well with the record of divine mercy in the other two readings. The final little confession of faith in Christ as Saviour is one of the many declarations of Christological teaching which we find in these letters and which enrich our understanding of the faith. Such traditional formulations of doctrine are especially valued guidelines for our knowledge of Christ and the church.

*Courtesy of 'The Wednesday Word Trust'*

**The Word: Year C, Ordinary Time, Sunday 25**

1st Reading Amos 8:4-7

2nd Reading 1 Timothy 2:1-8

Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

**Prayer of the Church**

**Psalter Week 4**

**Sun + Seasonal Proper**

**Mon + Proper of Saints**

**Tue (or + Proper of Saints)**

**Wed Week 4**

**Thu (or + Proper of Saints)**

**Fri + Common of Several Martyrs**

**Sat Proper of Saints**

**This Week's Feasts & Saints**

- Mon** Ss Cornelius, Pope, & Cyprian, Bishop, Martrs
- Tue** St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop & Doc of Church
- Wed**
- Thu** St. Januarius, Bishop & Martyr / St. Theodore of Canterbury, Bishop
- Fri** Ss Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest / Paul Chong Ha-sang & Companions, Martyrs
- Sat** ST. MATTHEW, APOSTLE & EVANGELIST