

SAINT JOSEPH'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

Burton Road, Derby DE1 1TJ

Week beginning the 12th September 2021

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

TWENTY-FOURTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME: PSALTER WEEK 4

YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH (2020-21)



Tel. 01332 343777 | Website. stjosephderby.org.uk | Facebook. [stjosephderby](https://www.facebook.com/stjosephderby)
Instagram [stjosephderby](https://www.instagram.com/stjosephderby) | Twitter. [@stjosephderby](https://twitter.com/stjosephderby)

FATHER KEVIN SAYS...

“Dear Friends, our readings at Mass today are about suffering for Christ. The first reading from the end of the prophecy of Isaiah contains one of the 'suffering servant' prophecies, which are so frighteningly like the passion of Christ that Isaiah (for these lines and other Messianic prophecies) has sometimes been called 'the fifth gospel.' The suffering servant presents the image of the religious Hebrew man being grievously tortured and retaining his faith and trust in God; there are several psalms written by King David that have a similar effect. In the gospel reading for the Sunday, the Apostle Saint Peter speaking on behalf of the Apostles declares his faith in Christ. Almost at once, Christ tells the Apostles of His impending doom: how he would be tortured and killed, only to rise after three days. He would himself be the Suffering Servant. When Peter tries to protest, Christ further says that many of His disciples were to follow Him in suffering for the faith and for the Gospel. The key idea here is faith and the readings seek to demonstrate how much we should be prepared to fight for our faith and how that faith is to be displayed in our deeds and our voluntary sacrifices. In the second reading, the Apostle Saint James declares that our faith should animate everything that we do - that our faith should be evident in the things we do and say. Faith and action is thus integrated into our being, in the simplicity of our expression of the Gospel in our lives.”

Father Kevin presently blogs on the parish website, where you could find small articles on the Catholic Faith:
<http://www.stjosephderby.org.uk/>

Mass intentions

N.B. NO NEED TO BOOK FOR MASS

<i>Saturday 6.00 pm</i>	Twenty-fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time	Jane Ishikawa RIP
<i>Sunday the 12th 8.00 am</i>	Education Sunday	People of the Parish
<i>10.30 am</i>		Pope Francis & Bishop Patrick
<i>Monday the 13th Sept. 10.30.am</i>	St John Chrysostom	Marie O'Brien RIP
<i>Tuesday the 14th 10.30 am</i>	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	Paul Bridges RIP
<i>Wednesday the 15th 10.30 am</i>	Our Lady of Sorrows	All sick & suffering
<i>Thursday the 16th 10.30 am</i>	St Cornelius	Vocations
<i>Friday the 17th 10.30 am</i>	St Robert Bellarmine	Holy Souls
<i>Saturday the 18th 10.30 am</i>	Our Lady's Saturday	Health Service workers
<i>6.00 pm</i>		Pope Francis & Bishop Patrick
<i>Sunday the 19th 8.00 am</i>	Twenty-fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time	People of the Parish
<i>10.30 am</i>		Ray Lloyd RIP
Second Collections	This week Next week	Catholic Education service Home Mission Sunday

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

As we are unable to attend daily Mass, you might like to use this prayer to express our faith in Christ and His Presence in the Eucharist, and we ask him to unite Himself with us.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
 come at least into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
 and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

NEWS

The Holy Father on Immaculate Conception day declared the beginning of a 'Year of Saint Joseph,' which should last until the 8th of December, 2021. In ordinary circumstances, we could have arranged ways to celebrate our Holy Patron before the year has gone, but we are still far from returning to normal. I am open to suggestions, however, for the restrictions are gradually falling away.

Father John Trenchard will be visiting the parish property on Sunday the 26th of September, arriving for the 10.30 Mass and remaining for some time afterwards. Father will concelebrate at Mass and looks forward to meeting parishioners again on the day.

University of Derby Mass: Every Tuesday at 12.30pm. Beginning 28 September there will be Mass every Tuesday in term time celebrated in the Library of the Multi-Faith Centre on the University Campus followed by tea & coffee. All students and staff are warmly invited to attend. A great opportunity to make a little time for God during the week and to meet other Catholics who are part of the university community. We look forward to seeing you there

Online and Remote Volunteers needed: Marriage Care is a Catholic organisation specialising in relationship support - providing counselling and marriage preparation throughout England and Wales. We are looking for volunteers who can spare just a few hours a week working from the comfort of their own home to help us support marriage and relationships.

Zoom Support: Are you an expert on Zoom and would you like to use your tech-skills to help us run marriage preparation courses, training or CPD events online?

Remote Secretary: Provide a vital service to counsellors and clients, taking last-minute cancellations calls and communicating changes as necessary.

For more information please visit: www.marriagecare.org.uk or email: volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk

Live Stream Mass for the Sick, their Families and Care-Givers offered by Bishop Patrick every Thursday at 7pm.

Grapevine. The latest issue is now available here: <https://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk/whats-on/grapevine-e-bulletin>.

YOU CAN NOW DONATE to your parish via the Diocesan website go to <https://www.dioceseofnottingham.uk> and you will see a yellow button at the top of the page 'On line giving'. Just click on it and follow the simple instructions. You can now also donate via the mass booking page. In both cases please make sure you indicate your donation is for St Joseph's, Derby. Otherwise your donation will go to Nottingham Diocese.

THE COMMUNITY THIS WEEK

Please keep in your prayers Francis Joseph James Brennan RIP and all those who are sick in whatever way around the world especially those in our parish, all those in hospital, nursing homes and being looked after at home. Also remember

those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur around this time. Most importantly all those who work in the NHS striving heroically to keep us all safe, the emergency services, the drivers & supermarket staff, postmen, refuse collectors and all those helping to keep the country going. We have been asked also to pray in particular for the Nigerians, especially in the south of Nigeria, who are experiencing a great deal of social strife, with young people being slaughtered on almost a daily basis.

Please also keep Michael Furey in your prayers as he prepares to leave our parish for Valladolid, Spain to begin his seminarian studies. We wish him all the very best with thanks for his commitment to our parish.

Monday 19th July 2021 Many of the restrictions imposed by the Government over the past months were removed last month. The Bishops have confirmed that there will be **no need to book for Mass, stewards will no longer be required** but hand sanitising and the wearing of masks remains. **You will also be required to sign in or use the QR code.** Please remember that not everyone will be comfortable with close proximity with others so please keep this in mind as you take your seats.

Communion is now distributed in the usual way, from the sanctuary steps and congregational singing has also returned; the votive candles are also now available. We will continue to restore things as and when we can.

The Old Mass (TLM) will continue to be offered at 8.00 am on Sundays, through the generosity of the Bishop. This is the Mass as it was until roughly 1970 and is offered in the Latin language. There are some aids for following the Mass in Latin and a simple online aid is this website: <https://divinumofficium.com/cgi-bin/missa/missa.pl>.

Planned giving boxes As the restrictions have been lifted we are now able to put the boxes out for you to pick up. **Please take yours from the table near the exit.**

Please note that your number has changed and only your name will be on the box. This will enable us to leave them available under GDPR. As a number of parishioners have opted to continue with S/Os, the opportunity has been taken to renumber them and reduce the number of boxes we require. Thank you to all those who have continued to make your offerings and have contributed to keep the parish going through these difficult times.

Coffee after 10.30 am Sunday Mass This has been going for the last few Sundays and we would like to have more volunteers. If you would like to support this please let us know via an email (parish@stjosephderby.org.uk). There will be a rota sign-up sheet in the parish centre, if anybody wishes to commit.

Mass Intentions. If you would like to have a Mass Intention please email us (parish@stjosephderby.org.uk) with the details, we will endeavour to meet any requests for specific dates where possible. You can send your offering either by cheque or by using the bank details below. Request envelopes can now again be available. I am attempting to restore the office of Reader/Lector at Mass and I would like to invite parishioners who would like to read as in the past to come up and see me, or to contact us by e-mail: parish@stjosephderby.org.uk.

Bible study via Zoom. Some of our parishioners had expressed an interest in a regular bible study session last year, and the only way this can be done anymore seems to be with video-conferencing. This takes place regularly on a Thursday evening at 19.00, and we have arrived at the plains of Moab, preparing for the invasion of the Holy Land. If you are in any way interested in joining in, do call at the house or send e-mail (parish@stjosephderby.org.uk).

Weekly rosary via Zoom. Call at the house or send e-mail if you would like to join in. This takes place every Wednesday at 19.00, and we shall be beginning again this week with the Joyful mysteries.

Do you know of anyone who does not have a computer and therefore no access to our website and newsletter? If so, please let us know or ask them to contact us by phone (343777) so we can take their details and communicate with them in an alternative way. We're prepared to mail newsletters around, so let us know if you would like that. All precautions will be taken with the handling of papers that are mailed out.

LIFE ISSUES – supporting life, from conception to natural death

Please consider writing to Members of the House of Lords or Commons and asking them to oppose this Bill. Don't be afraid to share your own experiences of 'dying well' and 'end of life care' if you have them through your work or personal life. Guidance on how to do this can be found on Parliament's website: [Parliament's website: \[parliament.uk/get-involved/contact-an-mp-or-lord/\]\(https://parliament.uk/get-involved/contact-an-mp-or-lord/\)](https://parliament.uk/get-involved/contact-an-mp-or-lord/)

Opposing the Assisted Dying Bill 2021 In 2021, a Private Members Bill on ‘Assisted Dying’ was introduced in the House of Lords by Baroness Molly Meacher, Chair of Dignity in Dying. It is due its second reading on 22 October, where there will be a full debate in the House of Lords. Our Lead Bishop for Life Issues, Bishop John Sherrington, has written an open letter inviting Catholics to pray for the defeat of the Assisted Dying Bill to be debated in the House of Lords in October. [Find out more.](#)

OUR PARISH SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL (SVP) CONFERENCE

The SVP exists as a particular Catholic response to the prevalent forms of poverty and indigence in our society at large. The work of members of the society extends beyond the provision of financial support to individuals and families, focusing very much on visiting people who are sick, lonely, in prison or suffering from addictions. Person-to-person contact is essential, and spending time with those who wish it, very much in the spirit of the great French priest, Saint Vincent de Paul.

The work of the Society has been affected, like so much else, by the present public health crisis, and our rather young conference at S. Joseph’s had to end their meetings early last year. Our members would like to re-establish old contacts and find new ones, as we return to work. At the moment, the best approach seems to be using telephones, while keeping to data-protection regulations. **We would like to know therefore of anybody who would benefit from friendly telephone conversations at this rather difficult time, and if they would be pleased to provide their contact details to that end.** Please contact the presbytery in the usual ways, by telephone, e-mail or post, and relevant information will be communicated to the SVP group.

If you would like to join the parish SVP group, please contact us in the usual ways and you will be redirected. If you would like to give towards the costs of the work of the SVP, please use these details: SVP St Joseph – Derby, acct 51256029, sort 60-60-04. **There is now a bin near the entrance of the church, to receive dried foods or tinned food for distribution to those who may need them.**

CHARITABLE GIVING

Mary’s Meals. Two million reasons to smile! Thanks to the incredible commitment and dedication of our supporters, volunteers, ambassadors, partners and staff across the globe, we are now feeding more than two million children **every school day**. Our partners are co-ordinating an emergency response, to deliver emergency ration packs of essential food items to families in the worst affected areas. Please give if you can, to help families in desperate hardship. Click here for more information: <https://giving.marysmeals.org>

Stay safe, everyone!