



# St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Ansdell

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### Weekend 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> Aug Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

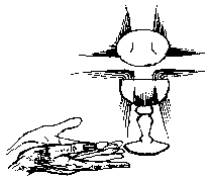
Sat 24 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	St. Joseph's	John Scally
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am	St. Joseph's	People of the Parishes
	10.30am	St. Peter's	Reginald Brocklesby

Mon 26 <sup>th</sup>	9am	St. Peter's	(Gerard) Barry Sinacola <i>followed by Exposition and Confessions till 10am</i>
Tues 27 <sup>th</sup>	10am	St. Joseph's	Margaret Saum <i>preceded by Exposition and Confessions from 9:30am-9:50am</i>
Wed.28 <sup>th</sup>	9am	St. Peter's	For the Family and for Mr. Augustine Troy
Thurs 29 <sup>th</sup>	10am	St. Joseph's	Tony Crean

### Weekend 31<sup>st</sup> Aug /1<sup>st</sup> Sept Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 31 <sup>st</sup>	6.00pm	St. Joseph's	Joan Barry
Sun 1 <sup>st</sup>	9.15am	St. Joseph's	Liam Herron
	10.30am	St. Peter's	People of the Parishes

**Sacrament of Reconciliation with Exposition this week.**  
**Monday 9:30-10am at St. Peter's; Tuesday 9:30-9:50am at St. Joseph's**  
 Confession is also available by arrangement with Fr. Peter. Tel. 737037



**COLLECTION COUNT:** for July:  
 Gift Aid £307.00 Non Gift Aid £906.60  
 Special Collections Gift Aid £158.00  
 Standing Orders £2961.50 St. Joseph's Care £203.87  
 Burkino Faso £65.00

**Please pray for all who have died recently**, especially Barbara Delaney and those whose anniversaries occur about this time especially Annabel Evans, Tony Crean, Michael Meyler, Cecily Shaw, Catherine Reid and Elizabeth Kirkham.

**Please pray for the sick and housebound of the Parish**, especially: Paul Bunyan, Michael Cookson, Andrew Cox, Judith Cross, Rosaline Fox, Cathy Gaughan, Patrick Gilligan, Pat Heeny, Christopher Hill, Christopher Hunter, Peter Jones, Sr Kay, Caroline Ledward, Margaret Long, Maureen Lundy, Pat Marion, Paul Meskell, Anne Meyer, George Morgan, Pat Moss, Simon Muller, Molly Murphy, Zivile Petraviciute, Bob Osachuk, Alison Singleton, Margaret Spillane, Susan Standing, Sr Michaela Toulmin (Hyning), Greta Turner, Alan Watkins, Mary Whittle, Brenda Wilmot, Phil Winstanley, Kath Woods, Albert Zammit, Emmanuel Zammit.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** at Sunday Morning Mass!

**COFFEE & BACON BUTTIES** after 9.15am Mass this week.  
*(Delicious as always. FrP)*

**ST JOSEPH'S CARE:** Do you know of anyone in our community who is in need or might need a little more support, and would like either a friendly a visit, or Holy Communion at Home? Please let St. Joseph's Care Visiting Team know by emailing or phone the Parish on the above contact details.

**BELL RINGING PRACTICE** every Thursday from 7-8.30 pm. If you are interested in learning to ring the bells at St Joseph's, please get in touch with Tower Captains James (07743684900) and Stacey (07921032390) and they'll show you the ropes!

**REPOSITORY:** Cards and gifts for different occasions available, including first communion cards and Rosary beads. Orders for other items can be taken, too. If you are interested in joining a rota for either of the weekend Masses please contact Margaret on 07711698195

**LECTIO DIVINA** Scripture prayer and discussions in the hall on Wednesdays at 10am.

**THE HOLY ROSARY:** every Thursday after Mass in Church, for this beautiful prayer. All welcome.

**Thursday at 10:30am** in Church.

### Rotas for weekend 24<sup>th</sup> / 25<sup>th</sup> August

**Readers**  
 Sat Vigil: Kelly and Tony Godden Sun 9.15am: Peter Benning  
**Meet and Greet**  
 Sat Vigil: O & J Baker  
 Sun 9.15am: W & E Doyle

**This Week's Readings:** Today we gather to listen to the word of God and be nourished with the Bread of Life. Like the people of Israel and those who listened to Jesus during his earthly ministry we need to make a choice – to choose between our own path and that of the Lord.

**First Reading Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18** Now that the tribes of Israel have made their home in the Promised Land they are called upon by Joshua to affirm their loyalty to God.

**Second Reading Ephesians 5:21-32** The union of a wife and her husband is a model for the intimate union between Christ and his

Church.

**Gospel John 6:60-69** After Jesus' teaching about the Bread of Life many of those who have followed him decide to follow him no longer. The Twelve recognise that it is folly to turn to anyone else – he alone has the message of eternal life.

**Message from Fr. Peter:** the great French-Canadian Philosopher Celine Dion once dedicated one of her songs to 'All the parents of the world, and all the children of the world', which given that we are all children of parents covers just about everybody I guess. But this week we celebrate two Saints who are a Parent and their Child: Saint Monica and Saint Augustine of Hippo. Monica was born in the early part of the fourth century in Algeria, which was then part of the Roman Province of Africa. She married Patricius, who on all accounts was a violent drunk and ne'er do well, and had a son, Augustine, who grew up leading a debauched lifestyle. Monica prayed and suffered at her son's way of life – as a youth it is said he prayed to the Lord 'for chastity – but just not yet'. It is said that Monica's tears brought about his conversion, and she was overjoyed when he was baptised in 387 by St Ambrose, later being ordained priest and then bishop in the diocese of Hippo in North Africa. Augustine's writings had a great influence on Church teaching, and his 'Confessions' still make wonderful spiritual reading today. On his mother's tomb it reads 'Here the most virtuous mother of a young man set her ashes.' Together Monica and Augustine's story is a great example of the power of prayer, and perhaps especially when worried about up-and-coming generations and their relationships with both the Church and older generations. It's also a call for elders to set the best possible example to the young. So let's pray 'for all the parents of the world, and all the children of the world'. And if that is indeed just about everybody, well, that's no bad thing.

**Red Mission Boxes:** the Autumn collection from the boxes will commence in September. Please would you bring your box into church and leave in the sacristy. If you need your box collecting or would like a box, please contact David Warwick 07541 914811

**Back to School Tea Party:** On Wednesday 28th August in SJ's Hall, there will be an afternoon tea party for the families of St J and St P. Families are asked to bring their own food and drink, and all tea party accessories will be provided! 1pm to 3pm. Please contact Emma Cox to put your name down or for more information. 07808821397

**Burkina Faso.** Our 2024 appeal will run through to the end of August. There are envelopes on Our Lady's stand at the back of church, simply place your donation inside and return via the offertory collection. Thank you. *Edwina Gillett.*

**National Safeguarding Audit:** Please see the Parish' Websites if you wish to take part.

**National Eucharistic Congress:** Sat 14th Sept 10.30am – 6pm; Oscott Seminary, Birmingham. Join Catholics from all over the country to a full day of renewing and deepening devotion to the Eucharist. The event will include Mass, Exposition, Eucharistic procession and benediction, rosary walk, museum visit, presentations and workshops. Cost £25.00 to cover travel. Free entry. Coach leaving Workington (4am) with pick-ups in Carlisle (5am), Lancaster (6.30am) and Preston (7.30am). There are only 44 places for Lancaster Diocese. Booking is essential; email Helen Mackay at: [helen.mackay@lrcd.org.uk](mailto:helen.mackay@lrcd.org.uk)

**School Stuff Box:** Many thanks for the donations of stationary and school stuff for our children in our schools who need a little help this September; the box will remain at the back of the church till next week.

**Lourdes Petitions Box with Fr. Phil:** Please place your written petition in an envelope, seal, and on the front write 'Lourdes Petition'. Your petition is private. Do NOT include money. Alternatively, you may wish to have a candle lit. Please place your offering (minimum £5 or multiples, in notes only) in a separate envelope from any petitions, seal, and on the front write 'Candles' and your intentions.

**Pilgrimages:** The annual pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto at St Mary's Church, Cleator, takes place on Sunday, 8th September at 3.00pm. Bishop Paul will celebrate Mass and lead the Blessing of the Sick.

The annual pilgrimage to Ladyewell takes place on Saturday, 21st September at 11.00am. There will be Mass, followed by a Blessed Sacrament Procession and Benediction.

**Lourdes 2025:** if you would be interested in a Parishes Lourdes Pilgrimage later next year, please see FrP or Deacon David to gauge interest.

**Rome 2025:** Father Peter's friend Fr. Ed in Lincoln is running a short Holy Year Pilgrimage to Rome in February and has a few spare places if anyone is interested (he visited last week and asked me to mention it. See FrP if interested).

**From the Jerusalem Bible to English Standard Version: Luke 11:2-4**

**Jerusalem:** Jesus said to them, 'Say this when you pray: Father, may your name be held holy, your kingdom come, give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us. And do not put us to the test.'

**English Standard:** And Jesus said to them, 'When you pray say: Father, hallowed by your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation.'

*The English Standard is much closer to the 'Lord's prayer' that we say, perhaps most especially in the final line, which is often cause for discussion.*



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**For security and safeguarding, during the month of August Exposition and Confessions will take place at SJ's on Tuesdays before Mass from 9:30am**, with devotions concluding with Benediction, the Angelus, and the beginning of Mass. Confessions and Devotions continues at SPs after 9am Mass on Mondays till 10am. This seems to be going well, so could continue after August.

**Mass Intentions**, for the deceased, the bereaved, for the sick, the Holy Souls, are always welcome, and offering envelopes are available at the back of Church, and Mass cards are available from the Holy Shops after Sunday Masses. **Sanctuary Lamp**: If you would like to sponsor the Sanctuary lamp in memory of a loved one or for a special intention, please place the details and date wanted in an envelope with a £20 donation and clearly note Sanctuary Lamp on the outside. This can be placed in the offertory collection basket. The lamp will burn for a full week From Sunday to Saturday, and the intention will be published on the Newsletter.