



St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Ansdell

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Weekend 27th/28th July Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 27 th	6.00pm	St. Joseph's	William and Mary Murray
Sun 28 th	9.15am	St. Joseph's	Deceased of the O'Dea Family
	10.30am	St. Peter's	People of the Parishes

Mon 29 th	9am	St. Peter's	Fr. Harry Holden <i>followed by Exposition and Confessions till 10am</i>
Tues 30 th	10am	St. Joseph's	John and Marian Milligan <i>followed by Exposition and Confessions till 11am</i>
	4pm	Stella Mattutina	Reception Mass for Sr. Kathleen
Wed. 31 st	9am	St. Peter's	Helen and Matthew Mullan
	10:30am	Stella Mattutina	Requiem Mass for Sr. Kathleen Standish SCJM
Thurs 1 st	10am	St. Joseph's	Sister Miriam Cooney
	1:30pm	St. Bernadette's	Bispham Requiem for Joan Dean
Fri. 2 nd	11am	St. Peter's	Requiem Mass for Sr. Betty Cahill CP
	2pm	St. Joseph's	Mass and Anointing of the Sick Catherine Bentley

Weekend 3rd/4th Aug Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 3 rd	6.00pm	St. Joseph's	People of the Parishes
Sun 4 th	9.15am	St. Joseph's	Wynne and Waters families
	10.30am	St. Peter's	A Special Intention

Sacrament of Reconciliation with Exposition this week.

Monday 9:30-10am at St. Peter's; Tuesday 10:30-11am at St. Joseph's

Confession is also available by arrangement with Fr. Peter. Tel. 737037



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Please pray for all who have died recently, especially Sr. Betty Cahill, Joan Dean, and Sr. Kathleen Standish, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time especially Elsie Morgan, Eunice McKenna, Rena Lee, Catherine McKelvey, Lillah Ogden, Alice Harman, Deacon John Stanning, Teresa Crilly, Cecilia Hopkinson and Joseph Strickland.

Please pray for the sick and housebound of the Parish, especially: Paul Bunyan, Michael Cookson, Andrew Cox, Judith Cross, Barbara Delaney, Rosaline Fox, Cathy Gaughan, Patrick Gilligan, Pat Heeny, Christopher Hill, Christopher Hunter, Magdalena Jones, 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, Phil Winstanley, Kath Woods, Albert Zammit, Emmanuel Zammit.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY at Sunday Morning Mass!

COFFEE & BACON BUTTIES after 9.15am Mass this week. (*I'll need it. 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.

Rotas for weekend 3rd / 4th August Readers

Sat Vigil: Richard Golding Sun 9.15am: James Wormleighton

Meet and Greet

Sat Vigil: C. M & D Ghee

Sun 9.15am: T.Cookson and M.Golightly

This Week's Readings: Today's Gospel tells how our Lord fed a great crowd with a few loaves and fishes. At this Mass it is us that he feeds, and the food he offers is his word and his body and blood.

First Reading 2 Kings 4:42-44 At Elisha's command, his servant feeds a great multitude with a few provisions, and yet there are leftovers.

Second Reading Ephesians 4:1-6 Paul pleads with us to lead a life worthy of our calling.

Gospel John 6:1-15 Through the miraculous multiplication of five loaves and two fish, Jesus feeds the multitude.

Message from Fr. Peter: This Monday we celebrate a relatively new Feast in the Liturgical Calendar of the Church, that of Martha, Mary and Lazarus, the Holy Family of Bethany. The Church has always celebrated St. Martha, on January 29th, but there was a level of uncertainty as to the actual identity of her sister Mary, who over the years has become confused and identified with Mary of Magadala (there are several Mary's in the Scriptures, not least, of course, our Blessed Mother Mary). As those Scriptural issues have now been sorted out, a couple of years ago Pope Francis put Monday's Feast into the Calendar. In his instructions to celebrate this Feast, Pope Francis said, 'in the household of Bethany the Lord Jesus experienced the family spirit and friendship of Martha, Mary, and Lazarus, and for this reason, the Gospel of John states that He loved them.' Each of the three siblings, as well as showing personal friendship and hospitality to Jesus, all had their own individual journeys of faith intimately touched by the Lord. Mary intently listened to the teaching of the Lord, whilst Martha served him, and they both professed their faith in him as the Resurrection and the Life, their strong faith in the throes of bereavement at the death of Lazarus, causing Jesus to show his divinity in raising their brother from the dead. After the resurrection we are told that some people tried to kill Lazarus, but tradition has it that the family escaped together (despite someone putting holes in their boat) to Cyprus, where Lazarus became a Bishop, and where they all died peacefully. (Another tradition has them turning up in France, but this might be linked to the confusion with Mary Magdalene). Today is a feast about family, faith, and time spent with the Lord, getting to know him in an ever deeper and personal way. *O God, whose Son called Lazarus to life from the grave, and was pleased to be welcomed in Martha's house as a guest, grant, we pray, that, serving faithfully our brother and sisters, we may merit, with Mary, to be fed by meditating on your words. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.*

This Friday 2nd August: First Friday Mass and Anointing of the Sick
at St. Joseph's at 2pm, *followed by Refreshments in the Parish Hall.*

Last Week's Race Night: what a great night we had, such a great atmosphere and so nice to see both parishes together raising a whopping £585.10! This is a fabulous amount to be shared between the SVP at SP's & St Joseph's Care at SJ's, both great causes! A Massive thanks to everyone who's been involved in this event in whatever way – everyone who prepared and ran the evening, the Ukulele Orchestra, and everyone young and old who came along. Big thanks and well done to all.

Next Monday 5th August: Evening Prayer at St. Peter's at 7pm
in honour of The Immaculate Heart of Mary *in preparation for the Centenary of the Diocese*

From Jerusalem to English Standard: to introduce us to the new translation of the readings coming in Advent, each week we will have a verse or two from the present translation, the Jerusalem Bible, and the new one, The English Standard Version Catholic Edition. This week: Matthew 5:1-3

Jerusalem: Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them: 'How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven.'

English Standard: Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up on the mountain. And when he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying: 'Blessed are the poor in Spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven.'

Note that Jesus goes up a Mountain, in line with the Old Testament prophets who preached from Mountains and like Moses who received the Ten commandments on Mount Sinai, as well as the much better translation of 'Blessed' for the Greek 'Makarios' which is Greek for a happiness that only God can give.

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.*

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.