

# St Joseph's and St Patrick's

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8<sup>th</sup> December 2024 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent -

Masses and Services this week

**Sat 7 Dec** 6.45pm – Vigil Mass Second Sunday of Advent – People of the Parish

**Sun 8 Dec** 9.00am - St Patrick's - Second Sunday of Advent – Francesco & Francesca Crimi

10.30am St Joseph's - Second Sunday of Advent – Jim Mara

4pm The Grotto Youth Prayer Group

**Mon 9 Dec** – No service until Spring

**Tues 10 Dec** 12pm – Our Lady of Loreto – SVP Members & Friends

**Wed 11 Dec** 9am – Feria – Hilda Calder (A)

**Thurs 12 Dec** 9.30am Holy Rosary & Benediction

10am – St Patrick's - Our Lady of Guadalupe – Special Intention

**Fri 13 Dec** 9.30am Divine Mercy Chaplet & Benediction

10am – St Lucy – William Joseph Tyson (LD)

1.30pm - Requiem Mass for John King – St Patrick's.

**Sat 14 Dec** 9.15am Sacrament of Confession at St Joseph's

10am – St John of the Cross – Barbara Carlisle (LD) - 6.45pm

- Vigil Mass for Third Sunday of Advent – Yorkshire Brethren Society

**Sun 15 Dec** 9.00am - St Patrick's - Third Sunday of Advent – Len Hankinson

10.30am - St Joseph's - Third Sunday of Advent - People of the Parish

**Masses Received:** Sick & Housebound Parishioners, Refugees, SVP Members & Friends, John King (LD), Arthur Burrows (LD), Bob Fletcher (LD).

**Lately Died:** Bob Fletcher.

**John King's Requiem Mass** will take place at St Patrick's on Friday 13 December, 1.30pm at St Patrick's.

## Sacrament of Confession in preparation for Christmas:

As Catholics, we are obliged to go to the sacrament at least once a year to have our sins forgiven for our salvation. Please note the dates and times: After weekday Masses from Tuesday 10 December including Saturday mornings; St Patrick's, Thursday 19 December 6.30pm; St Joseph's all day Saturday 21 December including Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

**Christmas Fayre:** It was a wonderful afternoon. Many thanks to all those who helped organise and helped the afternoon to go really well. We were awash with sausages and buns! The grand total £2646 plus a bit of change. Half has been transferred to school. Prizes to collect from St Joseph's sacristy. Tickets: 1956, 826, 1761, 1819, 1820, 829,1558.

**Second Collection this week:** Christmas Flowers

**Offertory Collection: 01/12/24** £811.65; Monthly Standing Orders: £660.30 per month. Thank you.

**200 Club:** Double draw this week.

**SVP News:** The SVP will be conducting Safeguarding Update training on Saturday 14 December at 10.30am in the Parish Centre. This is open to all members in line with the requirement to do the training once every 3 years. Also, 9 December, 1.30pm, the next meeting to discuss setting up a Youth SVP in the parish. All welcome. Next SVP meeting Wednesday 8 January, 10.30am.

**Parish Retreat Day:** You are invited to attend a deanery day of retreat to celebrate the Jubilee year on the theme of 'Pilgrimage of Hope'. It will take place at The Briery, Victoria Road, Ilkley. £35 incl two course lunch. Saturday 1 Feb, 10am – 3.30pm. To book T: 01943 607287 E: [admin@briery.org.uk](mailto:admin@briery.org.uk)

**Sacrament of First Confession:** Please collect an enrolment form from church and return before the Christmas break. Session dates: all 4.15pm starts 15 Feb, 1 March, 8 March, 15 March, 22 March. Service 29 March, 10am at St Joseph's. \*\*\*\*Amended from last week's bulletin.

**Blessing of Hands:** Over the next few weeks I will be blessing the hands of those who are church readers, ministers of Holy Communion, members of the SVP, carers for the sick and less able, choir and musicians. This blessing is joyful renewal of the firm purpose of your ministering. Please come forwards as directed.

**Christmas Masses:** Christmas Eve Vigil, 5pm St Joseph's; Midnight St Patrick's; Christmas morning 9am St Patrick's; 10.30am St Joseph's.

**Ministry of Readers – St Joseph’s:** 7/8 Dec. 6.45 p.m. Kath Altham; 10.30 a.m. Les Wood & Radek Lis; 14/15 Dec 6.45 p.m. Nick Lucas; 10.30 a.m. Anne Wood & Radek Lis.

**St Patrick’s:** 8 Dec Pina & David; 15 Dec Sandra & Jan.

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** 8 Dec Paul Gauntlett; 15 Dec – Anne Wood

**Special Prayers:** Jennie Hendley – Marie & Bob Fletcher – Phyllis Kirrage – Val Kaynell – Mark Hoare – Dale McLaughlin – Marie Keating – Max Hudson – Peter Catley – Stan Nelson – Paul Wood – Tony Atherton – Pat Maloney – Mandy McLaughlan – Vincent Reeves – Alfred Atherton – Gladys Maloney – Paul McLaughlan – Kay Hudson – Frederick & Annie Shaw – Marjorie Higgins – Jo Walton – Jose Kelly – Margaret Rundle – Marie Fee – Gus Nixon – Maureen Murgatroyd – Rex Perraton – Mary Fenwick – Jean O’Hara – David Clark – Valerie Ashworth – Kim Fawcett – Jose Jones – Fr. Phillip – John King (LD) – Maureen Howarth – Fr Kevin Firth. Please pray for these and for the comfort of anyone suffering in any way. Please also remember the recently deceased and those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

**Fr Kevin Firth:** Please do pray for Fr Kevin who is currently receiving treatment for cancer of the esophagus. He is to undergo surgery in December. I spoke to him the other day. He is in good spirits considering. He sends his warmest greetings and asks for prayers. He advises that you do not call him as he tires easily. His address is: Ashlea, 62 Headingley Lane, Leeds, LS6 2BX

**Monthly cake sale at our churches:** I received a delightful idea recently, from a parishioner, to help to raise funds for the parish. A monthly cake sale after Mass on Sunday. All cakes, buns etc home-made. **St Joseph’s 22 December; St Patrick’s 17 December.** Many thanks to Vanessa Puttick who volunteered to oversee the arrangements for St Joseph’s. Here are some ideas: Mince pies (box of 6) £2, Cheese scones (box of 6) £2, Sausage rolls (box of 6) £3, Various sponge cakes, chocolate, coffee, etc £3, Christmas cakes 6-inch fruit £5, Cookies, etc., international baking: Italian/ Polish delicacies. Proceeds for St Joseph’s Centenary Fund; for St Patrick’s, new radiators. Cake boxes will be provided on the day at St Joseph’s. Please bring your baking to the Parish Centre before Mass from 9am. St Patrick’s, for Mass.

**Parish Finance Committee:** Next meeting 19 December, 6.45pm at the presbytery. Cancelled.

**Advent ‘My Day by Day:** This pocketbook is a daily accompaniment throughout the season of Advent. It follows the readings from Mass each day. Copies are limited and available for juniors & infants also. £1 each.

**Ministry of Readers:** Please use the lectionary on the altar for reading the scriptures. It is set out to be reader-friendly with large font size and well-spaced out to make it easier for the eye to read.

**Your Parish Giving:** Standing Orders for your parish giving: Quite a few parishioners now take advantage of paying their weekly collection by standing order. If you would like to pay by standing order, please collect a form and complete it for your banking or, if you are online banking, please see the bulletin below for our bank details.

Gift Aid: please complete a gift aid form and return to us if you would like our parish to benefit from an HMRC tax break. If you are eligible to pay tax, then we can benefit from your giving directly. For every £1, we gain 25p. The form to complete and return to us is the same form as the standing order - just complete the gift aid section only and return to us. For internet Banking or setting up a Standing Order: Name: Diocese of Leeds St Joseph’s Church Barnoldswick. Sort Code: 40-27-15 Account No: 61016709 Many thanks for your generosity. Cheques payable to ‘Diocese of Leeds St Joseph’s Church Barnoldswick’. The parish has benefitted directly in the past from generous parishioners who have bequeathed to the parish in their wills. Of your charity, would you please consider leaving something of your estate for the benefit of our parish. Please indicate by adding for the sole and exclusive use of St Joseph’s or St Patrick’s church.

**Safeguarding Conference:** We are delighted to be hosting our first Safeguarding Conference on Saturday 8th February 2025, 10-3pm at Hinsley Hall. To date guest speakers include the Comboni Survivors Group, Hydrant Programme and Dementia Friendly Churches. It would be a great opportunity to be part of the discussion and sharing of information, to book your place please email [safeguarding@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

**Operation Elf Toy Collection:** The Catholic prisons charity - are urgently needing gifts for prisoners’ children in the diocese this Christmas. Is there someone in the parish who would be a point of contact to help organise? To find out how you can help contact Julia Corcoran at [parish.action@prisonadvice.org.uk](mailto:parish.action@prisonadvice.org.uk)

**Catholic Care Vacancy:** Mental Health Outreach Support Worker, £24,404 - £25,584 pro rata. 23 hours per week. Based in Leeds. For further details and how to apply please visit <http://www.catholic-care.org.uk/recruit/latest-vacancies/> or email your CV to [recruitment@catholic-care.org.uk](mailto:recruitment@catholic-care.org.uk)

**Airedale Hospital Chaplain:** Please contact the Chaplaincy  
01535 294 088 or Mr Vince Curran 01535 661897. Fr  
McLaughlin is currently off sick.

When a Catholic is admitted to hospital it is essential that  
they be recorded as a Catholic on their medical records.