

# St. Joseph the Worker

## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2017



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Sunday, 12 <sup>th</sup> February <b>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>  <i>Racial Justice Day</i>	9.00 am 11.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy) <b>3.00 pm Baptism</b> 5.00 pm	<i>The McKeown Family</i> <i>Intentions of the Ordinariate</i> <i>The People of the Parish</i> <i>Alice Gowikiewicz</i> <i>Gabrielle Crawforth (intentions)</i>	
Monday, 13 <sup>th</sup> February	10.00 am 7.00 pm	<i>Chris Spink (Special Intention)</i> <i>Fr. Paul's Intentions</i>	
Tuesday, 14 <sup>th</sup> February <i>Feast of St. Cyril and St. Methodius</i> <i>Day of Prayer for Europe</i>	<b>No Mass Today</b>		
Wednesday, 15 <sup>th</sup> February	10.00 am	<i>Dominic Dolan</i>	
Thursday, 16 <sup>th</sup> February	10.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy) 7.00 pm	<i>Karen Cunningham</i> <i>(Mass in Latin) Private Intention</i> <i>Fr. Paul's Intentions</i>	
Friday, 17 <sup>th</sup> February <i>Op. Mem. of the Seven Founders of the</i> <i>Order of Servants of the Bl. Virgin Mary</i>	10.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy)	<i>Fr. Michael Jordan (intentions)</i> <i>Private Intention</i>	
Saturday, 18 <sup>th</sup> February	10.00 am <b>followed by Exposition</b>	<i>Fr. Paul's Intentions</i>	
Sunday, 19 <sup>th</sup> February <b>Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	9.00 am 11.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy) 5.00 pm	<i>The De Souza Family (in thanksgiving)</i> <i>Intentions of the Ordinariate</i> <i>The People of the Parish</i> <i>John Paul Brogan RIP</i>	
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 10.30-11.00 am.			
<b>Mass attendance last weekend:</b> 195 <b>Gift Aid secretary:</b> Peter Kennedy, Tel: 76411002. <b>Last week's first collection:</b> £622.67; Gift Aid: £225.20. <b>Thank you.</b>	<b>Reading Rota</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>5pm</b>
	Today	Henry Whitney	Tony Scanlon
	Next Week	Val Edge	Crystal Kofie

### Welcome to St. Joseph's Church

**Please pray for all the Sick of the Parish** including: Anne and Abie Doherty, Bob Jones, John McKelvie, David Martin, Anne Healy, Patsy Sarayar, Mary Smith, Dave Chimber, Kathleen Gavin, Danny Harrington, Phil Irwin, Kath Kearney, Ann Bullock, Bridget Cherry, Betty Mulvaney, Tom Murray, Eddie Kelly, Tess Skerrett, Alice Horner, Enid Butcher, Ann Kelly, Mari Meadowcroft, David Barnes, Terry Richards, Eleanor Oldham, Eileen Kennedy, Uthaya Swoboda, Gabrielle, Brian McLaughlin, Beryl Poppett, Margaret Dunne, Val O'Leary, Keelin Treharne, Ron Hamilton and Ted Rodgers.

**Those who have died.** Please pray for **Mgr. Paul Donovan, Ronald Overton** and all who have died recently, and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Mgr. Joseph Healey, Mgr. Canon Peter W. Lawler, Frs. William Connick, Daniel Daly, Joseph Hogan, Charles Joseph O'Reilly, William Conefrey, Joseph Denis McEvelly, Timothy Healy, Terence McDonnell and Francis Jordan and also Nancy McGrath, Ella Perdue, Roberta Luciano, Kenneth George, George Stanners, James Warke, Stephen Whelan, Edmond O'Connell, SPR Guy Mellors, Thomas Noel Coogan, Dorothy Davis, Honarah McKenzie, Frederick Verdon and Elizabeth Price. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace.

**We shall be singing the Sanctus** at the 9.00 Mass today. The words are:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, holy, holy Lord God of hosts,  
Heaven and earth, heaven and earth, are full of your glory, are full of your glory  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest (2).

Blessed, blessed is he who comes, (2) Blessed is he, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest (2).

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[www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk/sjtw](http://www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk/sjtw)

[www.cathsocwarwick.wordpress.com](http://www.cathsocwarwick.wordpress.com)

[www.coventryordinariate.co.uk](http://www.coventryordinariate.co.uk)

**The Sanctuary Candle is burning this week for the Dekkers Family (in thanksgiving).**  
**The Sacred Heart Candle is burning this week for the Thorpe Family.**  
**Our Lady's Candle is burning this week for David Barnes.**  
**St. Joseph's Candle is burning this week for Stephen Whelan RIP (Anniversary).**

**Baptism.** Today we welcome Alice Gowikiewicz into the family of the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism. Please pray for her and for her family.

**Lent 2017.** It's getting closer! It's time to start thinking how you can best enter into this holy season of grace. It is a time that we mark especially with prayer, fasting and alms-giving (or works of charity). *Incidentally, the Ashes that we are marked with on Ash Wednesday (1<sup>st</sup> March) are made from the palms from the previous Palm Sunday. So if you have palms that we could use, please let me have them by the next Sunday. Thank you.*

1. **House Masses.** In the last few years I have celebrated Mass in parishioners' homes in different parts of the parish. I should like to do this again this Lent. If you would like/be willing to be a host for a House Mass, please let me know; it means inviting your Catholic neighbours (non-Catholics are welcome too) to come to your home. Ask them to bring some refreshments for a simple shared meal after Mass.
2. **Prayer petitions.** I shall invite you to write out any petition that you would like the rest of us to pray for and post it on the board at the back of the church. Please include the petitions in your daily prayers.
3. **"My Day By Day".** These small booklets are available in the porch (£1). They contain the Mass readings for each day of Lent up to Maundy Thursday.
4. **Walk With Me Booklets.** These will be available next week, together with Lent calendars. They are a good aid to daily prayer and reflection.
5. **Stations of the Cross.** We shall meditate on the Stations together each Sunday in Lent, 4.15 pm.
6. **Lectio Divina.** We tried this last year and it grew in popularity as Lent went on. We shall meet on Wednesday evenings for half an hour after the 7.00pm Mass to reflect and pray about a passage of the Bible.
7. **"The Long Road To Heaven",** a Lent course based on the film "The Way". This is something different and, I think, rather exciting. On Friday evenings we shall meet in the hall for a simple meal and then explore the meaning of "salvation" using a five-part study course based on the film starring Martin Sheen walking the Way of St. James to Santiago de Compostela. We shall begin on Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> February, starting with a simple meal together at 6.30 pm. All welcome.
8. **Afternoon of Recollection for Eucharistic Ministers,** Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> April, 12.00-4.00 pm, in the parish hall. There will be a talk and a time of prayer for all Eucharistic Ministers, in preparation for renewal of their ministry on Maundy Thursday.
9. **Parish Penance Service.** On Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> April, before the evening Mass at 6.00 pm.

**Catholic Today.** The latest edition of the Diocesan newspaper is available in the porch (50p). There is a particularly interesting article by the Archbishop on the changing patterns of parish life and the changing models of priestly ministry.

**Racial Justice Sunday.** The idea is to raise awareness of our responsibility to eradicate racial discrimination in all its forms within the Church and wider society. The theme for 2017 is 'Our Community'. There will be a second collection at Mass for this today.

**200 Club winners:** 1<sup>st</sup> Prize, £15: No. 36, Miriam Whelan; 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize, £5: No. 77, Lesley O'Connell.

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27. The desire for God is written in the human heart, because man is created by God and for God; and God never ceases to draw man to himself. Only in God will he find the truth and happiness he never stops searching for: "The dignity of man rests above all on the fact that he is called to communion with God. This invitation to converse with God is addressed to man as soon as he comes into being. For if man exists it is because God has created him through love, and through love continues to hold him in existence. He cannot live fully according to truth unless he freely acknowledges that love and entrusts himself to his creator."

**Parish Annual Accounts.** Tony Scanlon, the Chair of our Parish Finance Committee, will give a short presentation of the accounts at Mass next Sunday.

**Film Club.** Next Thursday evening in the parish hall. The plan is the same as before: a simple meal at 6:30, followed by the film at 7.00. Free! All welcome. Please come and join in if you can. We are up for a great evening with a post-film sharing!

**CAFOD Event.** You are warmly invited to a CAFOD LiveSimply evening on Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> February, 7.45-9.15pm at St Thomas More, 112 Knoll Drive, Coventry, CV3 5DE. Light refreshments served from 7.30pm.

**News from the (Diocesan) Kenelm Youth Trust:**

- 1) **Lourdes 2017 Diocesan Pilgrimage,** 27<sup>th</sup> May – 3<sup>rd</sup> June. Open to young people aged 14-25. Coach and air travel option available. For full details visit: [www.bcys.co.uk](http://www.bcys.co.uk)
- 2) **FLAME 2017 at the SSE Arena, Wembley, 11<sup>th</sup> March.** The Largest National Catholic Youth Event of 2017! Cost: £35, all inclusive. Go to: [maria.bracken@kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk](mailto:maria.bracken@kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk)

**Remember: refreshments are available after the 9.00 Mass in the Parish Hall, and on Saturday mornings.**

**Tailpiece.** A few examples of classroom bloomers:  
 "Noah's wife was called Joan of Ark"

"Christians can only have one wife. This is called monotony."

"The patron saint of travellers is St. Francis of the seasick."

**May God bless you and all those you love.**  
**Fr. Harry**