

# St. Joseph the Worker

## Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

### 26<sup>th</sup> July, 2020



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We are a parish with a clear identity and purpose: to be a Catholic community, formed by the Holy Spirit in the name of Jesus, for the glory and praise of God the Father and the service of His Kingdom, and also for the mutual up-building and support of its members. The core message that we feel called to live is contained in Jesus' words:

*I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full. (John 10:10)*

Sunday, 26 <sup>th</sup> July <b>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	9.00 am 5.00 pm	Abie Doherty RIP (Anniversary) Tom Joyce
Monday, 27 <sup>th</sup> July Memorial of Blessed Robert Sutton, Martyr		Tom O'Brien
Tuesday, 28 <sup>th</sup> July		The People of the Parish
Wednesday, 29 <sup>th</sup> July Memorial of St. Martha		Ben Swoboda and Anna Malar RIP (Anniversaries)
Thursday, 30 <sup>th</sup> July Op. Mem. of St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop	10.00 am	Sarah Ann & Joseph Morris
Friday, 31 <sup>st</sup> July Memorial of St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest		Marjorie Fletcher (Birthday)
Saturday, 1 <sup>st</sup> August Memorial of St. Alphonsus Mary de'Ligouri, Bishop		Abie Doherty RIP
Sunday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> August <b>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	9.00 am 2.00 pm Baptism 5.00 pm	Mary Beausang RIP Nam-Kha Jozef Lewandowski Marie Francis RIP

**Welcome back to St. Joseph's. It is a great pleasure to be able to celebrate Mass with you again.**

**Please pray for those we know who are sick** including: John Foliard, George Morton, Josie Dekkers, Kevon Perry, Bridget Cherry, Chris Mullen, Peter Kennedy, Jennifer Shaw, Danny & Mary Harrington, Paddy Beausang, and all the sick.

**Please pray for Lorna Haverson** and all those who have died recently, and for all whose anniversaries occur about this time: Canon Arthur Diamond, Frs. Denis O'Shea, Basil Wrighton, Thomas Michael Duffy and Deacon Ernie Titchmarsh, and also, Richard Williams, Nancy Anderson, Salvador Ortiz-Carbonares, George Downes, Margaret Moss, Gloria Long, Pat Ryan, Abie Doherty, Jean Mulligan, Patrick Halton, Anna Malar, Ben Swoboda, Ellen Jackson, Matilde Masters, Bridget Smith, Rosemarie Toman, Susan Ellen Brooks, George Dodds, Henry Gettlevog, Eileen Mary Smith, Daniel Thomas Murray, Michael Conway, Philip Blee, Annie Folan, Edna Haycock, William Garry and Colin Bridgewater. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

**Livestreaming of Sunday Mass from St. Joseph's** on Youtube. Because we now have Mass at 9.00 I have had to change the time of our livestreamed Mass to 11.00 am. Go to our website ([www.sjtwcoventry.org.uk](http://www.sjtwcoventry.org.uk)) and click on "Sunday Mass". While you watch a live stream of Mass say this prayer:

*"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 spiritually 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."*

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## The public celebration of Mass at St. Joseph's

It's great that we are able to celebrate Mass today and on future Sundays at 9.00 am and 5.00 pm. Thank you to the team of volunteers who have made it possible. We shall also have Mass at 10.00 on Thursday morning, followed by a time for private prayer until 2.00 pm.



Please remember to book for Sunday Mass, and please bring a mask or other face-covering to wear in church.



And stay this far apart.

### Announcement.

His Grace, Archbishop Bernard, has honoured me by asking me to become the new Parish Priest of two parishes in Oxford: Our Lady Help of Christians in Cowley, and Sacred Heart in Blackbird Leys. Unfortunately, this means that I have to leave St. Joseph's. I shall be moving after the last Sunday of August in order to be in place in Oxford in time for the start of the new school year. The Archdiocese will make further announcements about St. Joseph's parish and the University chaplaincy in due course. Please pray for me, and pray for the Archbishop as he tries to do what is best for every parish under his care.

### Prayer in time of pestilence:

*Almighty and eternal God, our refuge in every danger, to whom we turn in our distress; in faith we pray: look with compassion on the afflicted, grant eternal rest to the dead, comfort to mourners, healing to the sick, peace to the dying, strength to healthcare workers, wisdom to our leaders and the courage to reach out to all in love, so that together we may give glory to your holy name. 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. Amen.*

**The Sanctuary Candle is burning this week for Ben Swoboda and Anna Malar RIP (Anniversary).**

**The Sacred Heart Candle is burning this week for Simon Jones RIP.**

**Our Lady's Candle is burning this week for Anne Doherty RIP.**

**St. Joseph's Candle is burning this week for the Sick and the Dying.**

**Mass Times in Coventry.** A list of Mass times in all the churches of the Coventry deanery is available on the deanery website and on our parish notice board.

**A New Crucifix.** I am pleased to let you know that we have inherited a large, beautiful crucifix to stand in our Memorial Garden. It has come from the Convent of St. Joseph in Liverpool and it will be erected this week. I am very grateful to the Sisters who have agreed to let us have it, and to the Knights of St. Columba and the men who have brought it here and arranged to erect it. They have also brought us three chairs for the sanctuary, which again are exactly what I have been hoping for.

**Jam Sale.** After the 9.00 am Mass today, Eileen Joyce has very kindly offered to sell her home-made jam outside the church to raise funds for the parish development fund. I am very grateful to her, both for her generosity and also for helping us to return to a sense of community. But please keep a safe distance from other people as you shop.

**CAFOD** has joined with the UK Disasters Emergencies Committee to help millions of people whose lives are at risk, as coronavirus spreads across refugee camps and countries suffering conflict. You can donate at [cafod.org.uk/coronavirus](http://cafod.org.uk/coronavirus)

**Baptisms and Marriages** are now allowed in church again. Please get in touch if you wish to arrange to celebrate either of these Sacraments.

**Tailpiece:** A young couple invited their aged parish priest for Sunday dinner. While they were in the kitchen preparing the meal, the priest asked their son what they were having. "Donkey," the little boy replied. "Donkey?" replied the startled priest. "Are you sure about that?" "Yes," said the boy. "On the drive back from church I heard Mum say to Dad, 'Remember, we're having the old ass for dinner tonight'."

**May God bless you and all those whom you love, and keep you safe. Fr. Harry.**