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23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - 6th September 2020

St. Joseph's Church is remaining closed for the time being.
We are unable to fulfil the Safety Requirements
for Public Acts of Worship.

This will be reviewed on a weekly basis and plenty of
notice will be issued when the church can be re-opened.

Stay Safe / Pray Safe!

Below is a List of the Mass Intentions being Offered this week
Privately and Livestreamed.

Sunday next

6.00pm Bernard Routledge (RIP)

Privately Annie Jackson (B)

10.30am Ken Helme (A)

Privately Parishioners

Monday

8.30am Rita Smith (B)

Tuesday

8.30am May Culshaw (RIP)

Wednesday

8.30am Rod Kearney (RIP)

Thursday

8.30am Kathleen Blackburn (RIP)

Friday

8.30am Kathy Smith & Family

Saturday

9.00am Barbara Mead (RIP)

Sunday next

6.00pm Beatrice Wallbank (A)

Privately Kathleen Kelly (A)

10.30am Johnny Flanagan (A)

Privately Roland Cross (B)



Please Pray For The Following Who Are Sick: Canon Albert Shaw, Eileen Snape, Jean Thurston, James Gorman, Doreen Moss, Mark Rimmer, Anna Hennessy, David Nolan, Willie Pike, Mary Hanson, Simon Milner & Jack Maynard. We also remember to pray for all those in Chorley Hospital, Derian House Children's Hospice, our Nursing Homes & all those affected by Covid-19.

✠. Heal Thy Servants, O Lord, who are sick, and who put their trust in Thee.

✠. Send them help, O Lord, and comfort from Thy holy place.

IMPORTANT – During the current Pandemic, Eucharistic Ministers will not be going into the hospital with Holy Communion. The Hospital, via the Ward, will contact St. Joseph's or the On-Call Priest for any visits to patients. Only priests who have been Mask Trained & Clinically Instructed via Royal Preston Hospital will be allowed into the hospitals.

Please include in your Prayers: All those who have **Recently Died:** & all those whose **Anniversaries** occur about this time: Canon Kevin Mullen, Ken Helme, Beatrice Wallbank, Kathleen Kelly & Johnny Flanagan.

Keeping in touch: Would you like to receive the weekly parish bulletin by email during these uncertain times? If you would, then please send a blank email to: stjosephchorleybulletin@yahoo.com. Please, **ONLY** use this email to request the bulletin – the parish general email remains the same. We will continue to send out any information as and when it becomes available. Also, e-mails are sent out on a daily basis with reflections and information, so please, if you would like to receive this then request it by the above bulletin email address. **PLEASE NOTE THIS EMAIL ADDRESS HAS CHANGED.**

Collection: You can still make your weekly Offering to the Parish when you are out for your daily exercise by putting it through the Letterbox at the Presbytery. Thank you for your wonderful generosity and support to the parish.

Lenten Coffee Mornings for Nugent: Crocheted Throw Prize Draw from Lent Coffee Morning- the draw took place on Saturday 29th August at the end of 6pm Mass; the lucky winner was Judy Weldon.

St Joseph's Parish Centre – Members Notice: Our Parish Centre has partially re-opened. These are the days and times for opening & closing:

Thursday: 7pm - 11pm. **Friday:** 7pm - 11pm. **Saturday:** 7pm-11pm.

Sunday: 12pm - 4.30pm Please contact the Parish Centre for any further information on: ☎ 275137 or 📠 07932 404447.

E-mail: StJosephsChorley@apcmc.co.uk Website: www.st-josephs-chorley.co.uk

Mass Online at St. Joseph's: During these coming weeks and months, we are encouraged to take part in Mass online. There are lots of churches around the country and the World that offer this. Daily Mass will be televised from St. Joseph's: **6pm Vigil Mass** on Saturday and **10.30am Mass** on Sunday. On Weekdays Mass will be televised at **8.30am** Monday to Friday, & **9am** on Saturday. Some Masses will be said Privately in the Presbytery.

The Link for St. Joseph's is: <https://www.churchservices.tv/chorleystjosephs>
St. Gregory's in Chorley will televise daily Mass.

<https://www.stgregoryschorley.org.uk/church-livestream>

Sunday Mass will be celebrated at the following times: 6pm (Sat), Sun 9.30am, 11am. Sky TV: EWTN Channel No: 588

Other online site: <https://www.churchservices.tv/whats-on-now/>

Who wouldn't want to deepen their knowledge and adult understanding of our Christian Faith? You can do this in the comfort of your own home.

Diarmuid O'Murchu, is a Sacred Heart Father, social psychologist, prolific writer who is in demand around the world to lead conferences and retreats in parishes and seminaries. A missionary, he has worked with the homeless and persons with HIV/Aids. Through scripture and science, Diarmuid strives to lead us into a clear, mature understanding of our living, evolving Faith.

On Saturday September 12th, at the invitation of the Scottish Laity Network, under the title '*Gospel Discipleship and Ecological Sustainability*'.

Diarmuid will be speaking on '*The Meaning of Christian Discipleship in the Light of Laudato Si*', and also on '*What Adult Faith Looks Like Today*'. Both talks are in the morning starting at 10.15am. To join in, simply email: slaitynetwork@gmail.com and ask to be linked in. They ask that we apply as soon as possible. For further talks from Diarmuid just enter his name in Google, then select '*schedule*', '*Expanding our Christian Faith*' is particularly good for understanding why Jesus spoke in parables. If you want to probe the mystery of suffering just Google: '*Divine Creativity in the Power of Paradox*', Diarmuid O'Murchu. If anyone has further questions or would like to discuss any issues raised, feel free to contact me, (Sister) Cecilia Snape, ☎01257-262561 or cecilia26snape@gmail.com, and I will try to help.

Churches Together in Lancashire: www.ctlancashire.org.uk/

"Exploring Faith Accompaniment". A Ten Session Course exploring this ministry. Daytime on Mondays: 18th January - 7th June 2021 at Blackburn Cathedral. Sponsored by Blackburn Diocese, open to all denominations. Cost £400.

Spiritual Communion - Prayer of St. Alphonsus

My Jesus,

I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar.

I love you above all things

and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul.

Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,

come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. *Amen.*

The Cautious Re-Opening of St. Joseph's Church

Hopefully within the next few weeks we may be in a position to begin opening up St. Joseph's for Mass.

There are strict guidelines which we **MUST** abide by to keep us all safe.

1. Every other bench will be roped off and not used.

2. Hand sanitizer must be used when entering and leaving church. You will also be asked to write down your telephone number. Only one door will be used for entering church and another door for you to exit the church.

3. A face covering must be used.

4. Communion will be distributed at the end of Mass as you leave church.

5. A steward will guide you to your seat. In the benches in St. Joseph's there can be 1 person at each end of the bench if from a distant household.

Members of the same household can sit together in a bench.

6. Church has to be cleaned after each Mass, ready for the next group of people who will be entering.

7. Attendees must sit where they are asked to sit - we can no longer have our "own" benches. Church will be filled from the front and emptied from the back - this avoids people passing each other un-necessarily.

For all of the above to happen we will need a team of volunteers for **EVERY** Mass. We will need 4 people to wipe down and sanitise the used benches when Mass has finished. We will need 1 person to welcome and take down telephone numbers and we will need 1 person to seat people. Any volunteer should be fit and healthy, under 70 years of age and have not been asked to isolate. If you think you are able to help please email: chorleystjoseph@btinternet.com

Further information will follow once we get nearer to announcing a date for re-opening. Further administrative preparations need to be put in place before St. Joseph's can re-open. Thank you for your patience.

Please continue to pray for each other & keep safe.

Feast Days this week:

Tuesday 8th September: The Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Thursday 10th September: St. Ambrose Barlow, Priest & Martyr.