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## *27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - 4<sup>th</sup> October 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**

**6.00pm** Tom Bell (A)  
**Privately** Thomas Parkinson (A)  
**10.30am** Ann McIntyre (WA)  
**Privately** Parishioners



**Monday**

**8.30am** Rita Smith (A)

**Tuesday**

**8.30am** Madeleine Shaw (RIP)

**Wednesday**

**8.30am** Patrick (A) & Mary Ellen Creedon (RIP)

**Thursday**

**8.30am** James Jackson (RIP)

**Friday**

**8.30am** Winifred Ann (B) & John Henry Eccles (RIP)

**Saturday**

**9.00am** Special Intention (FGT)

**Sunday next**

**6.00pm** James Joseph Booth (A)  
**Privately** Frank Kelly (B)  
**10.30am** Eddie Rooney (RIP)  
**Privately** Parishioners



**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, Brendan Howard, Sr. Marie Bolton & Elmo Allan (5 months old). 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: Tom Bell, Thomas Parkinson, Rita Smith, Patrick Creedon & James Joseph Booth.

**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](mailto: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 continuing & wonderful generosity & support to the parish.

**Harvest Fast Day 2020 Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October: Options:**

- a) **Donation by Text:** text CAFOD to 70085 (donates £10 & gives the option to Gift Aid the donation - enter NO INFO after CAFOD to avoid follow up responses).
- b) **Donation online:** [cafod.org.uk/give](http://cafod.org.uk/give) (and follow the options) c) **By Post:** CAFOD, Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, LONDON, SE1 7JB.

**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](mailto:StJosephsChorley@apcmc.co.uk) Website: [www.st-josephs-chorley.co.uk](http://www.st-josephs-chorley.co.uk)

**Churches Together in Lancashire:** [www.ctlancashire.org.uk/](http://www.ctlancashire.org.uk/)

**Mass Online at St. Joseph's:** Mass will be Live-streamed 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>

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

323 Households/Viewers for the 6pm Mass on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September

377 Households/Viewers for the 10.30am Mass last Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September

9,079 Viewers for the month of September. An average of 303 per day.

During September 35 Countries viewed St. Joseph's.

One of them was Vatican City; that was a bit unsettling!!!!

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

Hopefully, soon, 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](mailto: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 to those who have volunteered so far. Thank you for your patience. Please continue to pray for each other. Keep safe.

**St. Mary's Friends of Uganda:** Due to a range of issues in these uncertain times St. Mary's Friends of Uganda recently made the difficult decision to close the Charity. We wish to thank everyone for the constant support given over the last 25 years, which has helped to provide education and life opportunities for children and young people in Uganda. Many thanks.

John Vause. (Chairperson) St. Mary's Friends of Uganda

### **Feast Days this week:**

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October Our Lady of the Rosary

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October St. John Henry Newman

## **OCTOBER - The Month of the Holy Rosary**

A decade of the Rosary will be recited immediately after Mass each morning.

### **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 Season of Creation concludes on the 4<sup>th</sup> October, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi*

### **A Prayer of Gratitude for Creation**

**G**od of the Universe

We thank you for your many good gifts:

for the beauty of creation and its rich and varied fruits.

**F**or clean water and fresh air,

for food and shelter, animals and plants.

**F**orgive us for the times we have taken the **E**arth's resources  
for granted and wasted what you have given us.

**T**ransform our hearts and minds

So that we could learn to care and share

To touch the **E**arth with gentleness and with love

Respecting all things

Prayer by Fiona Murdoch

Eco Congregation Ireland