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## 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - 18<sup>th</sup> October 2020

St. Joseph's Church will re-open on  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October for Morning Mass at 8.30am.  
The Church Doors will be open at 8.10am.  
Please follow the guidance!

## Stay Safe / Pray Safe!

Below is a List of the Mass Intentions being Offered this week,  
Privately, Publicly & Livestreamed.

### Sunday

**6.00pm** Marion Henry & Margaret Hogan (B's)

**Privately** John Duggan (A)

**10.30am** Joseph Culshaw (A)

**Privately** Parishioners

### Mon.

**8.30am** Gillian Bolton (A)

### Tue.

**8.30am** May Culshaw (A)

**2.00pm** Suzanne Leigh (RIP)

### Wed. Church Open

**8.30am** Edmund Cooper (A)

### Thu. Church Open

**8.30am** Private Intention (TFLD)

### Fri. Church Open

**8.30am** Philip Iland (A)

### Sat. Church Open

**9.00am** Tony Jolly (A)



### Sunday next

Church Open

**6.00pm** Margaret Rose, Michael Carl, Darren John Fendley (RIP)

**Privately** John Jackson (A)

Church Open

**10.30am** Kevin Walsh (A)

**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.

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

**R.** 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:** Suzanne Leigh (aged 39) (Funeral Service at Charnock Richard Crematorium on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 12.30pm) & all those whose **Anniversaries** occur about this time: John Duggan, Joseph Culshaw, Gillian Bolton, May Culshaw, Edmund Cooper, Philip Iland, Tony Jolly, John Jackson & Kevin Walsh.

**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.

**St Joseph's Parish Centre – Members Notice:** Under the new Tier 3 restrictions the Parish Centre has once again had to close. 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>

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

The church will re-open on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October!!

We could still do with a few more volunteers. You should be fit and healthy, under 70 years of age and not been asked to isolate. Please email Fr Stanley if you would like to be added to the list: [chorleystjoseph@btinternet.com](mailto:chorleystjoseph@btinternet.com)

There will be a training session (30 minutes) for all volunteers – please check your emails!! This is a big step in these uncertain times but having spoken to lots of priest friends around the country the systems do work if we all keep to them. Mass will be different – there is no singing, no holy water, no incense. Face coverings have to be worn and nobody will have their '*own*' bench. More importantly, though, we will be back together as a community, praying together and receiving Holy Communion together. There will be 8.30am Mass Monday to Friday; 9am Mass on Saturday; 6pm on Saturday and 10.30am on Sunday. It is really important to remember that the ***obligation to attend Sunday Mass does NOT EXIST at the moment.*** If you are able to come during the week, please do so, then people who work can come at the weekend. If you are uncertain or nervous about coming back to church, Mass will still be broadcast via the internet. Once we have reached our maximum number, regrettably, we have no choice but to turn people away. We have to ensure that all those attending are as safe as they can be. The stewards are volunteers who have kindly offered to help keep us all safe - please respect them and the job they are trying to do. Please do not worry if you are apprehensive - you do **NOT** have to attend church. If you are unwell you must **NOT** attend!!

Please remember:

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 submit 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. There can be 1 person at each end of the bench if from a different household. Members of the same household can sit together in a bench.

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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 front - this avoids people passing each other un-necessarily.

Thank you for your patience. Please continue to pray for each other. Keep safe.

### 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.*

### Pastoral Message for Synod Sunday 2020

I am writing this to you today because this was to have been the weekend of our Synod 2020 gatherings. The situation we are living in at the moment has, as you know, meant that we felt it was right to move this weekend until June next year. The work of the Synod has not stopped – God is still asking us to reflect on becoming the kind of Church he is calling us to be and in many ways we have been invited to do this with a new urgency at this time. Our Synod journey brings together the “imperatives” of co-responsibility, collaboration and genuine listening between Church leaders and the lay faithful. Synodality is an essential aspect of Church life today. Pope Francis is firm on Synodality as the way forward. I am reminded of something that Pope Benedict said in 2012: *“Lay people should not be regarded as ‘collaborators’ of the clergy, but, rather, as people who are really ‘co-responsible’ for the Church’s being and acting ... It is therefore important that a mature and committed laity be consolidated, which can make its own specific contribution to the ecclesial mission with respect for the ministries and tasks that each one has in the life of the Church.”* This is very much your role in the next part of our Synod journey. Over 3,500 proposals were submitted – thank you. The Synod Working Party (and others) have worked with all these proposals and have faithfully kept all the proposals and ideas that you have highlighted. They have produced a summary which we are making available to you this weekend. (You can find them at [synod2020.co.uk/proposals](http://synod2020.co.uk/proposals)). I need each of you to play your part in discerning the next steps forward. At the beginning of December each Synod Member will have to indicate which of the ideas and issues that they are most drawn to. They will need your input to do this faithfully. This will then enable us to present to you, in March, the Synod Proposals to be voted on in June. After June we will work on drawing up a Pastoral Plan in the light of the Synod Proposals which will be promulgated at the start of Advent 2021. The next months are an exciting opportunity for us all to listen again to the voice of the Spirit of God guiding and directing us. Please play your part, we will not be able to complete this task faithfully without you.

**Most Rev Malcolm McMahon OP, Synod President.**