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Third Sunday of Advent - 13th December 2020

It is important to emphasise that the Sunday obligation has **NOT** been re-instated; people who are shielding or at risk should not feel obliged to attend any Mass.

Stay Safe / Pray Safe!

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

Sunday

6.00pm Parishioners
Privately Lily O'Neill (A)
10.30am Johnny Flanagan (RIP)
Privately John Horan (B)

Monday

8.30am Leslie Battersby (B)

Tuesday

8.30am Anne Derbyshire (A)

10.00am **REQUIEM:** David Jennings (RIP)

Wednesday

8.30am Elsy Nelson (B)

Thursday

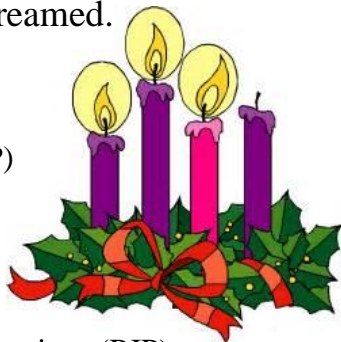
8.30am Anthony Bass (A)

Friday

8.30am Matthew Lloyd (A)

Saturday

9.00am Noreen & William Powell (A's)



Sunday next

6.00pm Jack Waring (RIP)
Privately Eunice & Max Jessop (RIP)
10.30am Philip O'Neill & Mary Jackson (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, Willie Pike, Mary Hanson, Simon Milner, Sr. Marie Bolton & Elmo Allan (8 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:** David Jennings, Josie Noblet (Requiem at 1.00pm Friday 18th December at St. Chad's), Frank Waring (Requiem at 9.30am Monday 21st December at St. Mary's), Jennifer Wilding (Requiem at 10.30am Tuesday 22nd December) & Anthony Clarkson (Requiem at 9.30am Wednesday 23rd December) & all those whose **Anniversaries** occur about this time: Lily O'Neill, Anne Derbyshire, Anthony Bass, Matthew Lloyd, Noreen & William Powell, Philip O'Neill & Mary Jackson.

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 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 Website: www.st-josephs-chorley.co.uk

Churches Together in Lancashire: 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>

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.*

[Pope Francis proclaims Year of St. Joseph \(catholicnewsagency.com\)](http://catholicnewsagency.com)

Pastoral Letter from the Archbishop for the 3rd Sunday of Advent:

Copies available in church and on the webpage.

The Twelve Days of Christmas: The Christmas Carol: *“The Twelve Days of Christmas”* is said to have been written in England after the Reformation as a kind of secret catechism. The explanation is given as follows. The Partridge In a Pear Tree is Christ, the Two Turtle Doves are the Old and the New Testaments, and the three French Hens stand for Faith, Hope and Charity. The Four Calling Birds are the Four Gospels, the Five Gold Rings refer to the Pentateuch (Five Books of Moses), the Six Geese A-Laying are the six days of Creation and the Seven Swans A-Swimming are the Seven Sacraments. The Eight Maids A-Milking and for the Eight Beatitudes, the Nine Ladies Dancing are the Nine Fruits of the Holy Spirit and the Ten Lords A-Leaping are the Ten Commandments. The Eleven Pipers Piping stand for the Eleven Faithful Apostles and the Twelve Drummers Drumming are the Twelve points of faith in the Apostles Creed.

Just a Reminder: Hand sanitizer must be used when entering and leaving church. You will be required to leave contact details. Only one door will be used for entering church and another door for you to exit the church. A face covering must be used. Communion will be distributed at the end of Mass as you leave church. A steward will guide you to your seat. Members of the same household can sit together in a bench. Church has to be cleaned after each Mass, ready for the next group of people who will be entering. Attendees must sit where they are asked to sit - we can no longer have our *“own”* benches.

Christmas Masses and New Year's Day Mass

Admission will be by ticket only, due to COVID-19.

Provisional Times of Masses: Christmas Eve 6pm, Christmas Eve 8pm, Christmas Day 8:30am, Christmas Day 10:30am, New Year's Day 12noon.

1. It will be necessary to book to attend the above Masses by Tuesday 15th December: - unfortunately, you cannot just turn up.
2. Tickets will then be issued from 19th December to 23rd December.
The Tickets will have to be collected from church before a Mass.
3. You will be able to book a ticket when you attend Mass up to 15th December.
4. Tickets will be restricted for each Mass because of the capacity.
5. Once capacity has been reached for each Mass then a reserve list will be kept.
6. If you become unable to attend your allocated Mass please contact St. Joseph's as soon as possible so that your ticket can be reallocated. However, once you relinquish your ticket it is null and void as it will have been allocated to someone on the reserve list.
7. Admission will be by ticket only so please remember to bring it with you.
8. Church will open 30 minutes before the start of Mass and you should not arrive later than 5 minutes before the start time.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation during this difficult time.

There may be further Mass Time Adjustments for the weekend after Christmas Day and more information will follow each weekend up to Christmas.

So, just for further clarification: Up until Tuesday 15th December we are asking people to come to church before one of the weekday or weekend Masses with their names & contact details & which Christmas Mass they wish to attend. Once we have worked out the seating arrangements for all the Christmas Masses then we will be asking people to come & collect their Tickets before a weekday Mass or weekend Mass between Saturday 19th December & Wednesday 23rd December. These Tickets must be brought with you on the day & time stated on the Ticket & handed to one of the Volunteers. Weekday Masses Monday to Friday are at 8.30am & volunteers will be in the church porch from 8.00am to take details. On a Saturday, Mass is at 9.00am & church will be open at 8.30am; Saturday night 6.00pm, church will be open at 5.30pm. On a Sunday, Mass is at 10.30am and church will be open at 10.00am. We understand that people may have commitments at certain times during the week & weekend, so coming to give your details for Tickets and eventually collecting your Tickets doesn't necessarily mean you have to stay for the Mass.