

SUNDAY BULLETIN

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MASS TIMES	Sacred Heart	Saint Joseph's		Mass Intention
<i>Saturday for Sunday</i>		----	NO MASS	
SUNDAY Second in Ordinary Time	9.00am 9.30am	11.30am 3.00pm	Confessions Solemn Mass Solemn Mass Syro-Malabar Rite Mass	Roberts Family Fr Christopher Miller
Monday 28 St Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor of the Church				
Tuesday 29 Feria				
Wednesday 30 Feria				
Thursday 31 St John Bosco, Priest	9.30 – 10.00 am		Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with St Wilfrid's School	
Friday 1 February Feria <i>First Friday</i>			NO SERVICE	
Saturday 2 Feast of the Presentation of the Lord <i>First Saturday</i>	----		NO MASS	
SUNDAY 3 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00am 9.30am	11.00am 11.30am	Confessions Solemn Mass Confessions Solemn Mass	Fr Christopher Miller Mary Chell

*At last, all-powerful Master,
you give leave to your servant
to go in peace, according to your promise.
For my eyes have seen your salvation
which you have prepared for all nations,
the light to enlighten the Gentiles
and give glory to Israel, your people.*

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED - *May they rest in peace:* Loretta Barnett, John Bradbury, Ronald Lane.

Confessions

Sacred Heart

Sundays 9.00am – 9.20am

Saint Joseph's

Sundays 11.00am – 11.20am

ABOUT BEING CATHOLIC

The course of instruction in the Catholic Faith continues on Thursday 31 January at 7.15pm in the Sacred Heart presbytery. Please pray for those who are preparing to receive the Sacraments at Easter.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Parents wishing to have a child baptised need to attend a preparation session about the significance of the Sacrament of Baptism, the responsibilities undertaken by parents and godparents, and the details of the Rite of Holy Baptism. The next session will be on Tuesday 5 February at 6.00pm in the Sacred Heart Presbytery. Parents are asked to bring proof of their own Baptism in the Catholic Church to this meeting. Please let the administrator, Gillian, know if you will be attending.

PRAYER A DAY FOR VOCATIONS

The list for February is in the porch. We are experiencing at first hand the shortage of men responding to the call to the sacred priesthood, yet sadly this initiative is still not well supported. Please volunteer to pray for vocations on one day during the month on behalf of the parish.

OFFERTORY and FUNDRAISING

The Sacred Heart

Offertory gift aid £222.00 non gift aid £250.63 Total £472.63
200 club winner no. 32 quarterly draw no.83

St Joseph's

Offertory gift aid £86.00 non gift aid £147.63 Total £233.63

Next weekend at St Joseph's there will be a raffle to raise money for the continuing restoration of the church.

Second Collection this weekend for the Restoration & Development Fund.

PARISH DIARY 2019

January 31	About Being Catholic 7.15pm Sacred Heart Presbytery
February 5	Baptism Preparation Meeting 6.00pm Sacred Heart Presbytery
February 9	Open afternoon at St Joseph's, 2-5pm
February 28	Deanery Mass for Vocations, St Teresa of the Child Jesus, Trent Vale, 7.00pm
March 6	ASH WEDNESDAY Lent begins
March 19	Day of Prayer for Vocations St Joseph's
June 21	Day of Prayer for Vocations at the Sacred Heart

WELCOME

This weekend we welcome back Fr Chris Cann to celebrate Holy Mass for us. Please remember him and all the priests who are helping us at this time in your prayers.

ST THOMAS AQUINAS, PATRON OF SCHOLARS

On Monday we celebrate the Feast of St Thomas Aquinas (1224-1274). A Dominican priest, often referred to by the title 'Angelic Doctor', St Thomas is considered one of the greatest philosophers and theologians of all time. Pope Leo XIII declared him Patron of Catholic Schools.

Please pray for all students, staff and governors of our Catholic schools.

SACRED HEART CRYPT

The building work on the meeting room, kitchen and toilet has been completed. We were fortunate enough to receive a number of grants towards this work but the parish had to commit to pay a proportion of the cost. We now also need to furnish the Crypt. Please give generously to the second collection this weekend.

The Crypt will be open today after Holy Mass if anyone would like to go downstairs to look around. We are most grateful to Fr Christopher whose vision and hard work gave us this wonderful new facility for the parish and the local community.

OPEN AFTERNOON AT ST JOSEPH'S

Our programme of opening to visitors once a month from February to November resumes on Saturday 9 February 2-5pm. Please sign the list in the porch if you are able to be here to welcome visitors and look after the church during this time. It would be good to see some new faces helping with the open days this year. We committed to opening on a certain number of days each year when we received public money in grants for the restoration of St Joseph's. Many local people are not aware what an artistic gem St Joseph's is: do spread the word about our open days.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY

For a generous welcome to the victims of human trafficking, enforced prostitution, and violence.

CATHOLIC NEWSPAPERS

Sadly, the appeal before Christmas for more people to take a newspaper produced no response so we have cancelled Catholic newspaper orders for the parish. Anyone wanting to subscribe individually to have a paper delivered to their home can ask the administrator for a subscription form. You can also subscribe to Catholic papers digitally. The Catholic Universe newspaper, for just £12.

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PUB GAMES EVENING FOR ALL FORMER PUPILS OF ST JOSEPH'S

SCHOOL TRENT VALE in aid of North Staffs Link Line. 2nd March 2019 at the school. For tickets contact Gerard Whitehurst on 07966015221 or email gerard@gmg-associates.co.uk cost £20 per hear including buffet. Please get in touch as soon as possible so catering numbers can be arranged.