

THE PARISH OF ST JOSEPH'S

WETHERBY, WEST YORKSHIRE *Diocese of Leeds*

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31st March 2024 EASTER SUNDAY (B) (p 255)

St Joseph's is Live-Streamed on www.stjosephs-wetherby.org.uk/mass-online

Readings and Mass texts can usually be found at: www.universalis.com

A very warm welcome to all who are visiting or have returned home for Easter. And to those who are travelling away have an enjoyable time and come back safely.

Perhaps safety is a way of reflecting for a moment on the meaning of Easter. There is the shock and the surprise of finding the tomb of Jesus empty, after the trauma of his passion and crucifixion, but then there is the safety and the reassurance that is given to those who encounter him, after he is risen from the dead. But more than that, for those who did not meet him, there is the complete transformation in those who did. Because then all that Jesus had done and said, and all that he had encouraged them to follow him in doing made sense as well. There is a real safety in knowing that there was always the truth in everything Jesus had been.

Turning to the present day, I think that is why the images from the United States of the bridge in Baltimore collapsing so

quickly and with such devastating effect are even more shocking – something that should have been so solid and secure just was not.

As a Parish community and members of the Church, the Easter calling to us all is to do our best to sustain each other in faith and to live the truth of the promise of new life in Jesus. So this is a perfect opportunity to say thank you to each other for what we do for each other. There are those who do things we all see in the Church and School, in the Office and out and about within the community; and there are those who support us all quietly, by their prayer, generosity and time. Each and everyone of us has something that we can offer and so together contribute to helping us all come to know more of the risen Jesus.

Thank you to everyone and a very happy Easter. *Fr Andrew*

WEEKLY DIARY IN ST JOSEPH'S PARISH (AT ST JOSEPH'S UNLESS STATED OTHERWISE)			
31 ST MARCH – 07 TH APRIL 2024 - EASTER SUNDAY & THE OCTAVE OF EASTER			
Sat 30	07-00pm THE EASTER VIGIL	EASTER SUNDAY Acts 10:34a,37-43 Ps 117 Col 3:1-4 Jn 20:1-9	For the People of the Parish
Sun 31	8-30am EASTER MASS in Sicklinghall 10-00am EASTER MASS <i>followed by Tea and Coffee</i>		A Personal Intention Stephan Zagata
Mon 01	10-00am Mass	Acts 2; 14,22-33 Ps 15, Mt 28: 8-15	Holy Souls
Tue 02	09-30am Mass <i>followed by the Rosary</i>	Acts 2: 36-41 Ps 32 Jn 20:11-18	Holy Souls
Wed 03	09-30am Mass	Acts 3: 1-10 Ps 104 Lk 24 : 13-35	Francis Rosser
Thu 04	09-30am Mass	Acts 3: 11-26 Ps 8 Lk 24 :35-48	Kath Harris
Fri 05	09-30am Mass	Acts 4: 1-12 Ps 117 Jn 21: 1-14	Holy Souls
Sat 06	08-15am Mass at Woodhall Carmel 5-00pm – 5-30pm Confessions 6-00pm Vigil Mass	SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER or of Divine Mercy Acts 4: 32-35, Ps 117, 1 Jn 5:1-6 Jn 20: 19-31	Yorkshire Brethren Intention
Sun 07	10-00am Mass (no Children's Liturgy) <i>followed by Tea and Coffee</i>		For the People of the Parish David and Matthew Grafton

Mass is celebrated each morning at Wood Hall Carmel, please check for the time.

Mass is usually celebrated at the Immaculate Conception, Sicklinghall on the 2nd Wednesday of the month.

The Immaculate Conception Church is available by arrangement with the Trustees, for weddings, baptisms and funerals. In the first instance please contact Fr Andrew or the Parish Office.

Collection	24th March 2024	For Internet Banking or to set up a Standing Order:
Cash and Envelopes:	£1048.13	Account Diocese of Leeds St. Josephs Parish Wetherby
Weekly Standing Orders:	£1235.73	Sort Code 40-27-15
		Number 11675141
		A DONA card payment station is available in the Narthex of St. Joseph's Donations may be gift aided.

Many thanks for your generosity and support

Easter Offering

The Collection taken at the Easter Vigil and the Easter Masses is the personal income of priests. Along with the Christmas offering, it forms a significant proportion of our annual taxable income. Donations can be made in the collection, on the Dona card machine and directly through the bank account (details above). Please mark bank offerings, "Easter". All offerings can be gift aided, and the gift-aid is retained by the Parish. Thankyou.

Childrens Art Competition

We were thrilled to receive many wonderful entries for the competition and when the School returns after the Easter holiday, they will be displayed in the Church and Narthex. Congratulations to the winners in the 3 age categories: Prizes of Art Sets and Easter Eggs were awarded at the end of term in School. We are planning a "story writing" competition for the summer - watch this space and the school newsletter

Synod Meetings

Many thanks for the offers of help to lead discussions for the Synod of Bishops in October and the plan is to have two sessions: 4-30pm – 5-30pm on Saturday 13 April 2024 and 7-00pm – 8-00pm Tuesday 23 April 2024. Please do keep the dates and more details will follow.

SVP Leeds- Annual Family Sponsored Walk in Aid of the St. Vincent's Support Centre

This will take place in the countryside around Wetherby on Sunday the 19 May 2024. All walkers new and old are most welcome. Please support our unique Leeds based project helping the disadvantaged & those living in poverty throughout Leeds. There are 2 walks: One of 2 miles and one of 6 miles, to suit all ages and abilities. Lots of additional attractions on the day. Further details <https://svp.org.uk/stvincentsleeds>; or Leigh Bradley: LeighB@svp.org.uk Tel 0113 248 4126; or our Parish SVP Conference members.

Celebration of Married Life

On Saturday 18 May 2024, there will be a special Celebration Mass for Married Life at Leeds Cathedral at 12-00noon for couples and their families celebrating their 25th (Silver), 40th (Ruby), 50th (Golden), 60th (Diamond) and 70th (Platinum) wedding anniversaries this year. There will be an opportunity for couples, who wish to do so, to renew their marriage vows during the liturgy. If you are celebrating the anniversary of your wedding and you would like to take part in this celebration, please get in touch with the Parish Office for an application form.

Preparation for First Communion

Advanced notice that the preparation for First Communion begins on Tuesday, 16 April 2024 in the Parish Hall at 6-00pm. Any child who wishes to make their First Communion and is in year 4 or over, should be brought along. At that meeting the dates and times of the sessions will be decided. As with First Reconciliation and Confirmation, preparation will be by Family Catechesis. Please don't hesitate to ask for further information.

Monthly Mass in Sicklinghall for April – Change of Date

Advance notice that the monthly Mass in Sicklinghall during April will be at 7-00pm on Thursday 18 April 2024 and not the usual previous Wednesday.

Fundraising for the Parish Hall

"The Grand Tour" - Wednesday 17 April 2024, James Lomax is taking us on an "Armchair tour of Europe in the Age of

Elegance: shopping in Paris, the Carnival in Florence, Easter in Rome, Ascension in Venice". Wine/soft drinks and "lite bites" from 7-00pm, talk commences at 7-30pm, Q&A 8.30pm, ends with Raffle at 8.45pm. Tickets £10pp including refreshments and 1 raffle ticket (more available on the night). Tickets on sale after Mass next weekend and the following weekend or email stjchwetherby@gmail.com to reserve.

SVP – Discreet Help for Tough Times

When you need a friend or support with everyday living the SVP are only a phone call away 07759 044263. Please continue to support with donations into the Food Box in the Narthex of St Joseph's.

Readers, Children's Liturgy & Refreshments

Easter Weekend 30/31 March 2024

NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Easter Vigil Leonora Tate/ Neil O'Byrne
Fergus Justice-Mills/ Cathy Overall

Easter Sunday Andy Minshull/Margaret Rosser

Coffee Jacqueline Sacre and Gen Kettlewell

Next Week-end 6th/7th April 2024

NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Vigil 6.00pm Teresa Walker/Peter Costa
10.00am Nicola Weatherill/Cathy Overall

Coffee Tom and Chris O'Dwyer

Katangi Draw 2024 Please collect your prizes

04th February Fiona Beech
18th February CJ & AM Kay
25th February Dorothy Hill
10th March Bob Bentley
17th March Elaine Flynn
24th March Pauline McElwee

Easter Raffle Prizes still to collect from the Office

Easter Egg – 448 (yellow); Wine -797 (pink)

Friendship Club

In the Parish Hall, this Wednesday, 3 April 2024 at 2-00pm - 4pm. We are having a Singalong with U3A Ukelele Group followed by tea/coffee and cakes. Older, Retired, Lonely - come along and join in. A warm welcome awaits and its free to attend, Raffle £1-00.

Dates for the Diary

13 April 2024 – 4-30pm Synod Discussion
16 April 2024 – 6-00pm First Communion Preparation Starts
17 April 2024 – Age of Elegance Talk
23 April 2024 – 7-00pm Synod Discussion
11 May 2024 – Evening Talk on Palestine
18 May 2024 – Churches Together Talk by Mgr Stephen Alker
19 May 2024 – SVP Sponsored Walk
8 June 2024 – 10-30am First Communion Mass
15 June 2024 – Mass with Anointing of the Sick
29 June 2024 – Ss Peter & Paul, 6-00pm Mass led by Schoolchildren.
9 November 2024–2-00pm Remembrance Mass for the Bereaved.

Education & Catholic Care Vacancies

Please go to our website and click on Diocese Notices for announcements from across the Diocese and particularly vacancies in Schools and with Catholic Care: <https://www.stjosephs-wetherby.org.uk/>