Sacred Heart, Howden and St Joseph & St Thomas, Goole

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3rd Sunday of Advent/Year C

(Gaudete Sunday)

 Sunday 16th December 2018

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Parish Christmas cards and Parish diaries 2019 available from today.

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| Date | Time | Place | Service/Event | Intentions |
| Sat 15th Dec | 5.30pm | St Joseph’s | Vigil Mass | People of the Parish |
| Sun 16th Dec | 9.30am | Sacred Heart | Mass | RIP Deceased relatives and friends of the Chappelow & Moran families (Nov Dead List) |
| 11.00am | St Joseph’s | Mass | RIP Deceased members of the Johnson family (Nov Dead List) |
| 12.15pm | St Joseph’s | Baptism | VINCENT JAN WASIK |
| 1.00pm | St Joseph’s | Baptism | SOFIJA PANINA |
| Mon 17th Dec | No Mass |
| Tues 18th Dec | No Mass |
| Wed 19th Dec | 10.00am | St Joseph’s | Mass  | RIP The family of Emilio Finelli (Nov Dead List) |
| 1.30pm | Key Stage 1 Nativity 1 in St Joseph’s school hall |
| 4.00pm | Key Stage 2 Nativity 2 in St Joseph’s school hall |
| Thurs 20th Dec | 10.00am | Sacred Heart | Mass | RIP Fr David Goddard, priest-in-charge of the Shrine of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception (LD)(Nov Dead List)  |
| 10.30-11.30am | Sacred Heart | Confessions |  |
| Fri 21st Dec | 10.00am | St Joseph’s | End of Term Christmas Mass (whole school Mass) School and Parish Intentions |
| 11.00-12 noon | St Joseph’s | Confessions |  |
| Sat 22nd Dec | 5.30pm | St Joseph’s | Vigil Mass | People of the Parish |
| Sun 23rd Dec | 9.30am  | Sacred Heart | Mass | RIP Margaret Miriam Belton (1st Anniv. on 29th December) |
| 11.00am | St Joseph’s | Mass | For Danny & Sarah’s unborn baby |
| 4.00pm | Goole Churches Together Christmas Service “Follow the Star” at St John’s Parish Church, Goole |

POLISH MASS is offered on the first Saturday of each month at Goole. The next Polish Mass will be on Saturday 5th January 2019 at 8pm.)

*MASA POLSKA jest oferowana w pierwszą sobotę każdego miesiąca w Goole. Następna polska msza odbędzie się w sobotę 5 stycznia 2019 o 20.00.*

Fr Wlodimierz Pajak, 117 Buckingham Street, Scunthorpe. Tel: 01724 855698

Congratulations to those of our parish who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday 29th at St Joseph’s:

NIKODEM DUCZMAL, ERYK GOLEBIOWSKI, JULIA LISOWSKA, MATEUSZ KASTELIK, WILLIAM ANTHONY MARTINS, ADRIAN OLSZTA, MILOSZ WOJCIECHOWSKI, ALICE WOODARD, GEORGE WOODARD.

Many thanks to Catherine Murphy, catechist, for preparing the confirmandi, and to Stuart Whitehead and family for all their help with the Confirmation Mass.

SICK & HOUSEBOUND - PLEASE PRAY FOR THEM

Damian Ainscough, Anna Barszcz, Margaret Brodigan, Christopher Brown, Jean de Bosch, Patience Dare, Carol Dent, Anne Evans, Anne Hayward, Dorothy Kershaw, Anthony Margrave, Alma McHugh, Bernard Rook, Ken Rumney, Michael Ryan, Timmy Ryan, Margaret Scott, Pat Sullivan, Kevin and Catherine Thornton and all those who would like to remain anonymous.

HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

The letter of St James, Chapter 5, verse 14: “Is any among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord.”

If you or anyone you know is ill, either in hospital or at home, and would like to receive the Church’s ministry in anointing and Holy Communion, please let Fr Nigel now and he will come and visit you/your family and friends.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

One of the aims of the recent Eucharistic Congress in Liverpool was to further encourage devotion and prayer to Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. Thus, from Advent Sunday this year, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on our altars at Sacred Heart and St Joseph’s for an hour before each of the weekday Masses. Thus, on Tuesdays and Thursdays, this will take place at Sacred Heart from 8.45am to 9.45am, and on Wednesdays and Fridays at St Joseph’s from 8.45am to 9.45am. Silent prayer and adoration will be offered throughout. This is the practice in almost all the churches in our Diocese, for which we give thanks to God.

DONATIONS TO REFURBISHMENT FUND Cheque donations can be made payable to ‘The Sacred Heart Refurbishment Fund.’ Thank you.

DON’T FORGET to bring food items to the back of Joseph’s Church and Sacred Heart Church for the food bank at Trinity Methodist Church, Goole, and woolly hats and toiletries for the Apostleship of the Sea.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD (Samaritan’s Purse)

Thank you to everyone who supported this year's Operation Christmas Child appeal. We created 16 boxes which will bring joy to 16 vulnerable children. In addition, a spectacular £160 was donated which will mean another 8 shoeboxes can be created and transportation paid for.  You are wonderful people.  God Bless.

CLEANING TEAM B for Howden this week

St Joseph’s Readers Rota for December, and up to 6th January, is now available on the parish website.

CHRISTMAS PRESENT FOR CHILDREN

Aileen Urquhart has had a children’s Nativity book published, suitable for Infants/Early Juniors. She will be at the back of Sacred Heart church after Mass, selling the book for £10. For every book purchased she will give £3 (author’s discount) to the Church Refurbishment Fund.

SACRED HEART CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE 2018
Tickets will be drawn after Mass this Sunday.

SACRED HEART GRAND CHRISTMAS COFFEE AND BAKING

A huge thank you to all of you for supporting our Christmas Coffee and Baking morning;  your generosity enabled us to make the splendid total of £125.60, all of which will go towards our roof and associated repairs. We will be selling our very popular knitted robins and wooden stars etc over the next few weeks. Our next Baking Sunday will be 3rd February 2019!!

PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENTS OF FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2018-2020

Arrangements are being made for the next 2-year cycle of preparation for these Sacraments.

The classes will be held at St Joseph’s Catholic Primary School, Kennedy Drive, Goole, on Wednesday evenings at 18.15 hrs. A parent or guardian must attend with the child. These dates are available from October on the Parish website [www.sacredheartstjoseph.org.uk](http://www.sacredheartstjoseph.org.uk) and the school website [www.stjosephscatholicprimarygoole.co.uk](http://www.stjosephscatholicprimarygoole.co.uk) Any other queries to Catherine Murphy at cmw1955@btinternet.com

May I also mention that we have places available at St Joseph’s Catholic School for September 2018. We offer a high standard of education and provide Catholic Religious Education.

FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION FOR 2019 AT ST. JOSEPH'S GOOLE

Classes recommence for the children already enrolled on Wednesday 17th October at 6.15 p.m. at St. Joseph's School. Please remember to bring your " I belong" book. Future classes are; 19th December, 16th January, 13th February, 24th April, 8th May.

ST JOSEPH’S SCHOOL ADMISSIONS POLICY CONSULTATION

The draft Admissions Policy for 2020/21 is available on the school website <http://www.stjosephscatholicprimarygoole.co.uk/>

If anyone has any comments they need to make them in writing via this email

admin@stjosephs.eriding.net  by Monday 21st January 2019.

HOME ALONE THIS CHRISTMAS

Christmas lunch at

The Shire Hall, Howden,

on December 25th at 12.30pm.

Voluntary contribution of £5 per head. More details - 07774 729096 and christmasandcompanyhowden@gmail.com