**SACRED HEART, HOWDEN AND ST JOSEPH & ST THOMAS, GOOLE**

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**Week Commencing 23rd March 2025**

**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (Yr C)**

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| *Date* | *Time* | *Place* | *Service/Event* | *Intentions* |
| Sat 22nd March | 4.30pm-5.00pm | St. Joseph’s | Stations of the Cross |  |
| 5.30pm | St. Joseph’s | Vigil Mass | People of the parish |
| Sun 23rd March 2025  THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT/Yr C | 9.30am | Sacred Heart | Mass | Special Intention: JD and family |
| 11.00am | St. Joseph’s | Mass | RIP Martin Falkingham (LD) |
| Mon 24th March | [No Mass today] | | | |
| Tues 25th March  THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD, Solemnity | [No Morning Mass] | | | |
| 6.00pm | Sacred Heart | Mass | People of the parish |
| Wed 26th March | 10.00am | St. Joseph’s | Mass | RIP Judith Ann King (LD) |
| Thurs 27th March | 10.00am | Sacred Heart | Mass | Private Intention (EO) |
| 10.30am | Sacred Heart | Rosary Circle |  |
| 10.30am – 10.50 am | Sacred Heart | Confessions (at the Lourdes Grotto | |
| Fri 28th March | 10.00am | St. Joseph’s | Mass | RIP Fr John Gott (3rd anniv.) |
| 10.30am - 10.50am | St. Joseph’s | Confessions | |
| 6.00pm | Sacred Heart | Stations of the Cross | |
| Sat 29th March | 8.00am | Sacred Heart | Mass | Private Intention (EAM) |
| 4.30pm-5.00pm | St. Joseph’s | Stations of the Cross | |
| 5.30pm | St. Joseph’s | Vigil Mass | RIP James (Jim) Clements |
| Sun 30th March 2025  FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT/Yr C | 9.30am | Sacred Heart | Mass | People of the parish |
| 11.00am | St. Joseph’s | Mass | RIP Jose Marcelo Silva |

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT THIS WEEK

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| Sacred Heart | None on Tuesday | 9.15am on Thursday |
| St. Joseph’s | 9.15am on Wednesday | 9.15am on Friday |

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND Please pray for them. Damian Ainscough, Anna Barszc, Christopher Brown, Patience Dare, Carol Dent, Anne Hayward, Eileen Hodgson, Dorothy Kershaw, Anthony Margrave, Jean McAndrew, Bernard Rook, Ken Rumney, Timmy Ryan, Kevin and Catherine Thornton, Alison Urquhart and all those who are ill and would like to remain anonymous.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mr Matthew Harris who has been successful in being appointed head teacher of our school, St Josephs Catholic Primary Academy, Goole. Matthew has been interim head for the past year. All of us (school governors, school staff and pupils, and parishioners) wish Matthew all the best, and every blessing in the Lord, in his role as Head of Saint Joseph's. Please keep him in your prayers.

SUNDAY OFFERINGS BY STANDING ORDER. Those of you who wish to give offerings to the parish by Standing Order (if you are not already doing) will need these details: HSBC: 40-27-15 ACCOUNT NO. 31017373 ACCOUNT NAME: DIOCESE OF LEEDS

EASTER RAFFLE – ST JOSEPH’S

Tickets will be on sale soon for the Easter Raffle at St Joseph’s. Any suitable prizes donated would be very welcome. Thankyou.

EASTER RAFFLE – SACRED HEART

We are starting an Easter Raffle on 16th March. Any donations to be left at the back of the church, and would be gratefully appreciated. Thanks from Pat and Andrea.

THE NEXT BINGO FUNDRAISER for Sacred Heart church is on Saturday April 12 @ Eastrington Village Hall. Eyes down 7.30pm. This is in aid of the refurbishment fund.

We would welcome in particular any cash donations to help us make the prizes bigger and more complete. Thank you for your continued generous support. Please see Barbara or Sam for more information.

Please note the next Rosary Circle will meet on this THURSDAY March 27th after the 10AM Mass.

The mystery will be the Crucifixion.

So in advance please read and reflect on Jesus’ words from the Cross.

i.e. Luke ch 23v34, and 46

John 19 vv26/27, 28 and 30 Mark 15 v34

If possible bring a religious item which helps you reflect on Calvary.

CHURCH OPENING – Saturday mornings

In this year of Jubilee our doors at Sacred Ht. Church, Howden will be open for private prayer and reflection from 8.30 to 12 noon this Lent on March 29th, April 5th, 12th, and the 19th to build the Easter Garden. Volunteers please sign up on the rota at the back of church. Patrick.

A second rota is now available, but we need two people for each session. Also let people know – friends, neighbours – the Church is open for anyone to share a quiet space Thankyou to those who have already volunteered.

SEA SUNDAY

Thank you very much to all at Saint Joseph’s and St Thomas of Canterbury Goole parish for your kind support of the work of Stella Maris (The Apostleship of the Sea) through our Sea Sunday 2024 appeal. We are most grateful for your parish’s donation of £339.50 [plus Gift Aid on some individual donations]

The generosity shown by your parishioners will help ensure that seafarers and fishers in this country and around the world will continue to receive the care and support that they need.

For fishers and seafarers, life at sea can be extremely challenging. In current times it is particularly perilous for those who travel through the Red or Black Seas due to the conflict in the Middle East and Ukraine. Stella Maris’ port chaplains and volunteer ship visitors provide a beacon of hope, welcome and support to fishers and seafarers, in a foreign port where they may know no one. Our chaplains and volunteers listen to their stories, help to provide what they need, and answer Jesus’ call to give hospitality to the stranger. Through your congregation’s prayers and financial supports, our chaplains and volunteers will provide spiritual, pastoral and practical support to seafarers and fishers over the next year.

On behalf of us all at Stella Maris and our seafarer and fisher beneficiaries, I offer you and your congregation our heartfelt thanks for your compassionate and generous support of our ministry. *Your sincerely Adrian Gannon, Director of Development*

PRAYER FOR THE JUBILEE 2025

Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us a blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom.

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May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May your grace of the jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of *Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the world. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise forever. Amen.

*Pope Francis*