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**Week Commencing 27th April 2025**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (Yr C)**

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY OCTAVE DAY OF EASTER**

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Giving thanks for the life and Pontificate of the Holy Father, Pope Francis, we join with the faithful worldwide in offering prayers for the repose of the soul of His Holiness. Prayers are printed overleaf for you to pray. There should also be available for you, from today, prayer cards from the Bishops’ Conference Office. Take as many as you require. Divine Mercy Sunday, prayer leaflets available for you to take away and use.

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| Date | Time | Place | Service | Intentions |
| Sat 26th April | 4.30pm – 5.00pm | St. Joseph’s | Exposition | |
| 5.30pm | St. Joseph’s | Vigil Mass | RIP Helen O Connor (anniversary 29th April) |
| Sun 27th April 2025  SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (Yr C) DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY) OCTAVE DAY OF EASTER | 9.30am | Sacred Heart | Mass | RIP John Maw (9th anniv. on 28/4/25) |
| 11.00am | St. Joseph’s | Mass | People of the parish |
| Mon 28th April SAINT GEORGE, MARTYR AND PATRON OF ENGLAND, Solemnity (transferred from 23rd April) | 8.00am | Sacred Heart | Mass | RIP Fr James Leavy (First anniversary) |
| Tues 29th April ST CATHERINE OF SIENA, VIRGIN AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH, PATRON OF EUROPE, Feast | 10.00am | Sacred Heart | Mass | RIP John Joseph McAninly (anniversary) |
| Wed 30th April | N.B. **No** 10.00am Mass | | | |
| **11.00am** | St Joseph’s | Requiem Mass | RIP BRUCE MCDERMOTT SEAN KELLY (LD) |
| **2.30pm** | Key Stage 1 Liturgy in St Joseph’s School Hall | | |
| Thurs 1st May | 10.00am | Sacred Heart | MASS FOR THE DEAD FOR POPE FRANCIS | |
| 10.30am – 10.50am | Sacred Heart | Confessions | |
| Fri 2nd May | 10.00am | St Joseph’s | MASS FOR THE DEAD FOR POPE FRANCIS | |
| 10.30am – 10.50am | St Joseph’s | Confessions | |
| Sat 3rd May SS. PHILIP AND JAMES, APOSTLES, Feast | 8.00am | Sacred Heart | Mass | RIP Mgr Morgan Sweeney (20th anniversary) |
| Sat 3rd May | 4.30pm – 5.00pm | St Joseph’s | Exposition | |
| 5.30pm | St Joseph’s | Vigil Mass | People of the parish |
| Sun 4th May 2025 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (Yr C) | 9.30am | Sacred Heart | Mass | Fr Jeremiah O’Mahony (10th anniversary on 2/5/2025) |
| 11.00am | St. Joseph’s | Mass | RIP Kevin Fitzharris (LD) |

PRAYERS FOR POPE FRANCIS, R.I.P.

O God, faithful rewarder of souls,

grant that your departed servant, Pope Francis,

who you made successor of Peter and shepherd of your Church,

may happily enjoy forever in your presence in heaven the mysteries of your grace

and compassion.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.

Our Father… Hail Mary… Glory be to the Father…

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

May he rest in peace Amen.

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace Amen.

THE NINE DAYS OF MOURNING FOR POPE FRANCIS

The funeral mass for the late Holy Father Pope Francis will have already taken place by the time you read this bulletin. The Mass will have concluded with the Ultima commendation and the Valedictio, marking the beginning of the Novendiales or 9 days of mourning and Masses for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis. During the Novendiales, Bishop Marcus will celebrate a Solemn Requiem Mass at Leeds Cathedral, together with priests and deacons, on this Tuesday 29th April at 5.30pma. Attending this Mass will be civic guests and representatives of other Christian denominations and other religious faiths.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT THIS WEEK

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

Congratulations to MAXIMILIAN BOROS, baptised at St Joseph’s on Easter Sunday )20th April 2025)

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.

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

THE EASTER RAFFLE at St Joseph’s raised £250.20 for the ongoing St Joseph’s Gardening Project. Many thanks to Eileen, Nicola and Yvonne and all helpers.

NEXT ROSARY CIRCLE Tuesday May 6th after 10AM Mass. The first Glorious Mystery – The Resurrection. Please read in advance Luke 24v13-35 The Road to Emmaus. All very welcome. Patrick.

CAFOD – LETTER OF THANKS. Michelle Oakford, Head of Supporter Relations at CAFOD sent a letter of thanks to parishioners of St Joseph and St Thomas of Canterbury for their generous support and for the latest donation of £413.94. This helps communities around the world to build a brighter future.

GARDENING TEAM FOR SACRED HEART CHURCH GROUNDS

We need to put together, quickly, a Gardening Team, as it seems that the groundsman employed over the past eight years is no longer available. Please put your names on the list provided if you’d be willing to help. The tasks would include lawn mowing, weeding an tidying up. This can be an opportunity for us to get creative and plant some different flowers.