

# Saint Joseph's Church



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# Weekly Parish Bulletin

## Fed by the Lord

In the First Reading, the Israelites, who are marching through the desert, are hungry and they are angry. God should have killed us in Egypt, they say; then at least we would have died with food in our bellies.

In response, God feeds them with bread from heaven. Manna falls from the sky during the night, and in the morning they can pick the manna up off the ground. It seems to have been a specially wonderful analogue to bread. Scripture says that it was small, and white and mildly sweet, like honey with coriander; and it was greatly sustaining too. Tolkien's Elven bread *lembas*, so prized for its taste and nourishment, must have been modelled on manna.

This is a story to shake your head over. In my world, if you want bread, you have to go to the store for what you need, and you have to pay for what you get there too. And if you grumble against God angrily, you get a guilty conscience—you don't get bread falling from the sky. With or without stores and money, we get no Elven bread at all.

Why are these Israelites so lucky? Why doesn't God make bread fall from heaven for us too? Here, by way of answer, is what the story makes clear. God is a God of history. He intervenes in human affairs in particular ways at particular times to provide for his people what will do them good at that time. The only ones who got to eat manna were those grumbling Israelites. And even they got to eat it only for a while. When they crossed the Jordan River, the manna stopped. All they got then was the parched corn from the previous harvest.

These thoughts can prompt a painful yearning. Who would not want to be among those who got to taste that honey-sweet manna? Who would not want to have been one of the people hand-fed by the Lord? And, yet in God's love, every yearning has its fulfilment. We too are fed with the bread from heaven; and, in the Eucharist, we taste the goodness of the Lord, which is sweeter than wine or honey. We too are hand-fed by the Lord. Although God is a God of history, for each one of us it is true that we will want for nothing.

*Eleonore Stump*



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## Welcome to St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church

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## SACRAMENTAL SCHEDULE

**HOLY MASS – THE EUCHARIST.** In Church: Sunday at 10.00am (English), at 12.00 noon (Polish); In winter in Chapel: on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9.00am (English) and Saturday 10.00am (English). **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** with benediction on Wednesday at 9.30am to 10.30am. First Friday and Saturday of the month (1 hour) directly after Mass. **HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION:** Mass at 10.00am (English) and 6.00pm (bilingual). **THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:** Wednesday 9.30am to 10.30am, Saturday at 10.30am (after Mass); Holy Days of Obligation at 9.30am and by appointment. Before Christmas and at Easter there are additional opportunities for confession. Parish Priest is available to visit sick parishioners who are sick at home, if needed, and may administer the **SACRAMENT OF THE SICK.**

For more information: web page [www.stj1.co.uk](http://www.stj1.co.uk)

Please click on link to request an appointment with the priest.



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# ST JOSEPH'S NEWSLETTER

05 AUGUST 2018

## COLLECTIONS LAST WEEK

**MORNING MASS 29/07/18**

**MASS 10.00**

**£509.09 (Gift Aid £358.79)**

**MASS 12.00 & VIGIL**

**£177.88 (Gift Aid £15.00)**

**TOTAL £686.97**

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

**SVDP (Box at the door) £18.00**

**2<sup>nd</sup> COLLECTION TODAY – MENSAL FUND**

## PARISH PRAYER INTENTIONS

**Please pray for those who are sick at home or in hospital** – Bishop Vincent, Elinor Crighton, James Crighton, Fletcher Ditchburn, Bronwyn Farquharson, Fr James Ferguson, Angela Keith, Brian Low, Jean Low, Bob Low, Anna Macbeth, Kathleen McAvoy, Mgr Ken McBride, Fr Jim McCrudden, Margaret Mitchell, Marjory Robson, Urszula Skorupa, Little Therese, Paul Drummond, Irene Cathro, Helena Richmond and Janet Fraley. **In the midst of illness and pain, may they be united with Christ, who heals both body and soul.**

**Please pray for those who have died and gone before us in faith** – for the soul of Mollie Petrie who died on Thursday and Pauline Murphie, George Curran, Betty Mullen, Margaret Fitzpatrick, Anna Galea, Violet Anderson, Mark Fearon, Ritchie Harper, Bert Watson and Andrew Conway whose anniversaries occur around this time. **May God grant them, and all the souls of the faithful departed, eternal rest.**

## WEDNESDAY 15<sup>th</sup> AUGUST

**Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and is a Holyday of Obligation. The morning Mass will be at 10.00am and the evening Mass at 6.00pm.** Celebrated every year on August 15, the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary commemorates the death of Mary and her bodily assumption into Heaven, before her body could begin to decay – a foretaste of our own bodily resurrection at the end of time. Because it signifies the Blessed Virgin's passing into eternal life, it is the most important of all Marian feasts and a Holy Day of Obligation.

### A Required Belief

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven at the end of her earthly life is a defined dogma of the Catholic Church. On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII, exercising papal infallibility, declared that it is a dogma of the Church "that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory." As a dogma, the Assumption is a required belief of all Catholics; anyone who publicly dissents from the dogma, Pope Pius declared, "has fallen away completely from the divine and Catholic Faith."

## WELCOME TO ST JOSEPH'S

Thank you for your interest in our parish. Whether you're just visiting us for a brief time, looking for a new parish home, are returning to the practice of your Catholic faith or are interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church, we're happy to have you here.

## FATIMA HOLY HOUR – LEGION OF MARY

Pilgrimage for Peace – Rosary followed by Holy Mass here in St Joseph's on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> August at 7.00pm.

Please come and join us for this special hour.

## 18<sup>th</sup> WEEK OF THE YEAR

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> August**

### THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD -FEAST

*The gospel, narrating the Transfiguration event, proclaims Christ to be God's beloved Son, the Messiah, reassured by the Father as he goes on the way to Jerusalem and Calvary.*

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> August**

### ST DOMINIC - MEMORIAL

*St Dominic, Priest, 1170-1221, a Spaniard who founded the Order of Preachers (Dominicans) to counteract the Albigensian heresy.*

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> August**

### ST TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS - FEAST

*St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein), Virgin and Martyr, Co-Patron of Europe, born 1891 at Breslau (now Wroclaw, Poland), of a Jewish family. A brilliant student, she gained her doctorate in philosophy at twenty-five. Became a Catholic in 1922 and a Carmelite nun. Both Jewish and Catholic, she fled to Holland when the Nazis came to power but she was seized and sent to Auschwitz where she died in its gas chamber on 9<sup>th</sup> August 1942.*

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August**

### ST LAWRENCE - FEAST

*St Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr, was martyred at Rome in the persecution of Valerian in the year 258, four days after Pope St Sixtus II and his fellow-deacons.*

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> August**

### ST CLARE – MEMORIAL

*St Clare, Virgin, born at Assisi in 1193, died 1253. She followed St Francis in his life of poverty and was founder and leader of the Poor Clares. She led an austere life, abounding in works of piety and charity.*

## MINUTE MEDITATION

We believe that when we die, we will come face to face with God. Our eyes, closed by death, will be opened once again. We will stand before God, each one of us with our own story, our love and our sins; with all that we have done, both good and bad; whether out of love for God and our fellow men or out of contempt and hatred. This encounter, we firmly believe, will be decisive for all eternity.

## GOT BULLETIN NEWS OR INFORMATION

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## Dear Parishioners

I am so pleased to be back in the parish after my summer break, home in Poland. I do hope that all who have been on holiday have had an enjoyable time and certainly the weather, here in Scotland or overseas, could not have been better. I would like to thank Fr Piotr Ochotny who looked after everything in the parish so well and he has asked me to pass on his warmest wishes and thanks for the support from everyone at St Joseph's and he will keep us all in his prayers.

*Father Leszek*

## SICK, DECEASED AND HOLY SOULS PRAYERS

Please remember to update the weekly sheet information on a regular basis so that we include all those in need of prayer. For those who are long term sick, could you update the additional white sheet that is on the clipboard alongside the book. Just tick or add a name (if not on the list) so that all these people are included in our long term sick list.

**Please PRINT clearly all information.**

**Final update today – many thanks.**

## CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS ASSOCIATION

Scottish National Pilgrimage of the Catholic Grandparents Association will take place at Carfin Pilgrimage Centre on Sunday 19th August starting at 2.30pm. All welcome.

## WEEKDAY MASS ATTENDANCE

This is very poor at the moment. Please find time during the week to assist at Holy Mass – particularly if you are retired or on holiday. Perhaps you could come with the intention to pray for a member of your family who no longer comes to Mass, for someone who is sick in the hospital or hospice with no-one to pray for them, for the staff and pupils of our schools or for an increase in vocations to the priesthood. There is always something to pray for and the Mass is the best of prayers!

## CHILDRENS LITURGY INFORMATION

No separate liturgy for the children today but this re-commences next Sunday 12 August. There is also a meeting for all those who teach Children's Liturgy NEXT Sunday after Mass just for a few minutes. Please try to attend thanks. *If you would like to help teach our young children in their understanding of the Catholic faith, please talk to Marlene Kenny for further details. PVG registration will be required.*

## BISHOP'S CONFERENCE OF SCOTLAND

**National Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at Carfin 2018**

**In honour of St John Ogilvie**

**SUNDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> SEPTEMBER 2018 at 3.00pm**

**Principal Celebrant**

**Archbishop Philip Tartaglia**

**Homilist - Bishop Stephen Robson**

## EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS AND CRAFT

From Monday 6 Aug until Tuesday 14 Aug at the Botanic Gardens, Dundee, there is an exhibition by Winnie Flynn. Donation from sales to Maggie's, Dundee. 11.30am – 4.30pm.