



St Joseph's Catholic Church



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Sunday 19th July 2020

Sixteenth Ordinary Sunday (A)

NB. Normal time Sunday & weekday 10am Masses are resuming from this Saturday 4th July - not the weekday 7am Mass - with many restrictions, including numbers allowed in church at any one time, in place. Please listen to announcements and watch out for other notices on the website during this period for the latest updates.

(Usual) SUNDAY MASS TIMES

(Sat.) 6.00pm Vigil Mass
9.30am Mass
11.30am Solemn Mass
5.30pm Mass

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 20th 10am Mass
Feria, or St Apollinaris, Bp & Martyr

Tuesday 21st 10am Mass
Feria, or St Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest & Doctor of the Church

Wednesday 22nd 10am Mass
St Mary Magdalene (Feast)*

Thursday 23rd 10am Mass
St Bridget, Religious, Patron of Europe (Feast)*

Friday 24th 10am Mass
Feria, or St Sharbel Makhluf, Priest

Saturday 25th 10am Mass
St James, Apostle (Feast)*

READINGS AT MASS

Sundays Year A; Weekdays cycle 2

This Sun: Wisdom 12:13,16-19;

Romans 8:26-27; Matthew 13:24-43

M. Micah 6:1-4,6-8; Matthew 12:38-42

T. Micah 7:14-15,18-20; Matt 12:46-50

W. Song of Songs 3:1-4 or Cor 5:14-17;
John 20:1-2,11-18 *

Th. Galatians 2:19-20; John 15:1-8 *

F. Jeremiah 3:14-17; Matt 13:18-23

S. 2 Cor 4:7-15; Matthew 20:20-28 *

Next Sun: 1 Kings 3:5,7-12;

Romans 8:28-30; Matthew 13:44-52

Seventeenth Ordinary Sunday (A)

SHRINE LAMPS are temporarily suspended. We continue to pray for each other & for those most in need.

SACRAMENTAL UPDATE

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2020 - We are happy to share that the First Holy Communion programme has resumed to complete the final phase of the children's catechesis. The final sessions take place online, on 18 July and 12 September. The celebration Masses which were originally scheduled to take place in May will, we hope, take place in the autumn. Further details to follow when we have them.

CONFIRMATION 2020 - The programme resumes with a session in church this Tuesday 21st July from 6-7pm. Don't forget to bring with you your Confirmation workbook, a pen, and a face-mask or covering and please follow the instructions of the catechists re social distancing, etc. Thanks!

RCIA 2020 - For those on the current programme, please look out for emails from Deacon John-Simon re the next steps.

BAPTISMS - Apologies to those who had Baptisms booked with us - please bear with us and we will keep you updated with any developments.

Mass in Church - Because of the restricted numbers we can accommodate, we have a booking system in place. Details of how to book online are on our website and displayed at our streamed Masses. The link is also here for ease of access: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/st-josephs-catholic-church-new-malden-30590944072>. NB. Please note that the phone number to call is changed.

Face-coverings: please note and let others know that this is a pre-requisite of entering the church, and you will not be able to come in without one.

Track and Trace: In compliance with the government's Track & Trace programme designed to limit the spread of COVID 19, we are required to keep for 21 days, the contact details of all attending Mass, after which they will be destroyed, so please be understanding if you are asked to provide this info.

MASS INTENTIONS: Sun (Sat) 6pm Ben O'Connell RIP, 9.30 People of the Parish, 5.30 Peggy Beard RIP; Mon. 10. Carmela Cangi RIP; Tue. 10. Jayne Boulden's Birthday & Intentions; Wed. 10. Michael Ng RIP; Thurs. 10. Fr Uche's Ordination Anniversary; Fri. 10. Warren Gilpin RIP; Sat. 10. Rodrigo Apurado; Sun (Sat) 6pm Deacon John Sampson RIP, 9.30 Braz Joseph Desa RIP, 5.30 People of the Parish.



**LIVE STREAMING OF MASSES FROM ST JOSEPH'S - UPDATE

Although we now have Masses back in church, we will still be live-streaming a daily Mass, for those who cannot be in church.

Streamed Masses will be the 10am Mass from Mon - Sat, and the Sun 9.30am Mass.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCETxMGsRdJ1GdpsZmaxlFGQ>

St Joseph's Presbytery & Parish Office

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****The PARISH OFFICE is officially closed - please see back for ways to contact Fr Uche & the Parish Secretary****

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Feasts commemorated this week

St Mary Magdalene ~ Wednesday 22nd July



Look for the women in the Gospels, and you will not be disappointed. Search for one woman in particular, Mary Magdalene, and you will find yourself present at all the most important Gospel events: the passion, the crucifixion, the burial, and in a garden for the resurrection, just moments after a huge stone is rolled away from a tomb, allowing the Lord to step forth into a new world. Saint Mary Magdalene is present at key moments, says key things, and is a key witness. She opens the door to Gospel scenes that would otherwise remain hidden from view.

Saint Mary Magdalene was among that troop of women who congregated on the outer edge of the twelve Apostles. These were probably women of means, who “provided for” Jesus and the Apostles “out of their resources”. When these women are named, Mary Magdalene is always named first, similar to Saint Peter’s position in the listing of the Apostles. Mary Magdalene is named many more times in the Gospels than most of the Apostles themselves, signalling her importance. *Saint Mary Magdalene, assist all who seek*

your intercession to be humble followers of Christ, doing, from the margins, what is necessary to carry forward the ministry of Christ’s Church, quietly accomplishing God’s will without recognition except for its eternal reward.

St Bridget of Sweden (1303 - 1373) ~ Thursday 23rd July

Bridget was married to a nobleman and had eight children. Aged 30 she was summoned to the court of the King of Sweden, where she served as lady-in-waiting to the queen. She tried without much success to moderate the riotous and indecent life of the royal court.

After a pilgrimage to the shrine of St James at Compostela in Spain, Bridget and her husband Ulf decided to spend the rest of their lives in monasteries. Ulf died in 1344, but Bridget went on to found a double monastery (for men and women in separate but adjacent institutions) as the start of a new monastic order.

In 1350 she travelled to Rome for the Holy Year, and spent the rest of her life there caring for the poor and the sick, denouncing the excesses of the aristocracy, and robustly telling the Pope to return to Rome from Avignon.

She had many mystical visions, which alarmed her because she feared that they might be the work of the Devil; but a learned Cistercian monk reassured her, and she subsequently dictated and published the revelations she received, which were partially devotional and partly prophetic.



St James, Apostle (? - 44) ~ Saturday 25th July



James was the brother of St John and, like him, a fisherman. He was one of the witnesses of the Transfiguration and one of those who slept through most of the Agony in the Garden. He was the first of the apostles to be martyred, being beheaded by King Herod Agrippa I to please the Jewish opponents of Christianity. He was buried in Jerusalem, and nothing more is known about him until the ninth century.

At this time we learn of a tradition that the relics of St James were brought to Spain some time after his martyrdom, (perhaps early, perhaps as late as 830), and his shrine at Compostela in Galicia grew in importance until it became the greatest pilgrimage centre in western Europe. In every country there are churches of St James and known, well-trodden pilgrim routes. In Paris, the Tour St Jacques marks the start of the route and the Rue St Jacques points straight towards Compostela. In England, pilgrim routes lead from all parts of the country to the major ports that were used on the pilgrimage. This network of routes is a vital witness to the fact that the Middle Ages were not the static stay-at-home time that we often think them to be: everyone

must have known someone, or known someone who knew someone, who had made the pilgrimage. The scallop-shell, the emblem of St James, has become the emblem of pilgrims generally.

In 1987 the pilgrimage routes to Compostela were designated by the Council of Europe as historical cultural routes of international importance. The Confraternity of St James continues to work to restore and upgrade the refuges on a route which is still in active pilgrim use today.

ST JOSEPH’S ONLINE GROUPS - Throughout lockdown, many of St Joseph’s parishioners have been meeting online to keep in touch spiritually and will continue to meet over the next few months, some weekly and others fortnightly. Please do join us – we would love to see you there!

All groups meet online using Zoom video conferencing, with new meeting IDs and passwords issued before each meeting. For further information about the online groups and details on using the Zoom code, please contact Anne D’Silva on annedsilva@rcaos.org.uk. Click on this link for details of the groups, which are also on our Website and Facebook page: <http://catholicnewmalden.org/parish/st-josephs-online-groups/>

Supporting our fellow parishioners during the Covid-19 crisis

If you could help with shopping or running errands, or by calling parishioners who find themselves alone during **Contact the Parish Secretary, Mondays to Fridays, on 07488 241753 or email: newmalden@rcaos.org.uk**.

We are now in contact with those of us who we think may be more vulnerable, alone, or in need of practical, emotional, or other kind of support. If you know of anyone who falls into this category please do get in touch.

NB. To arrange a funeral, please contact Fr Uche directly on 020 8942 2602.

Stay safe and God Bless.

New 9.30am Sunday Refreshment Co-ordinator needed. If anyone is interested in taking on this role, please either contact Maura directly on 07854 302009 or contact Agnes on 07488 241753.

Youth Club Helpers: There are occasionally not enough male and female helpers available to viably run the club, which normally meets every fortnight at 6.30pm on Sundays. If you can spare one or two hours once a month, please consider volunteering for this very worthy service to our parish and especially the future of the Church.

URGENTLY NEEDED IN THE PARISH

(for normal time, with God's help)

Caretakers: Our two amazing caretakers, Oliver & John, who do an immeasurable amount of work to keep everything working and in place, are out of action for the foreseeable future. If there are any able-bodied people out there who feel they can offer some time to help with the general running of the Church Premises, however little or much it is, would you please contact the Parish Office.

Cleaners: As many of you may know, our church is cleaned by a very small dedicated group of parishioners, who give up one hour a month of their time to keep it looking clean and beautiful. They are in urgent need of a boost, so please please do consider this seriously. The cleaning is normally done every Saturday from 8-9am, and will re-start once the church is open.

PROCEDURES during NORMAL TIMES

FOR APPOINTMENTS & enquiries, please contact the Parish Office **only during office hours** - see bottom of front page - unless it's an urgent matter. Any items for the **BULLETIN** need to be received by Tuesday at the very latest. Thank you.

WEDDINGS: Please make sure you give us at least 6 months' notice when applying to get married in a Catholic Church.

BAPTISMS: Usually these take place on the 1st Saturday of the month, but other dates can be agreed should there be the need. Please ring the Parish Office for enquiries.

REQUESTING A MASS INTENTION: If you know the date you would like a Mass Intention for, please request it as far ahead as possible, and we will endeavour to accommodate the date asked for. If an urgent need for prayer arises, we will do our best to shift an existing Intention, with the agreement of the donor of course.

MASS INTENTIONS & SHRINE LAMP INTENTIONS: envelopes are available at the back of church. Please return via the Presbytery letter box or hand to one of the clergy.

WEBSITE: If your parish group's details need mentioning / updating on our website please email: newmaldenparishwebeditor@rcaos.org.uk.

BILLINGS NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING: for confidential time with our Parish's Natural Family Planning advisers, who are also involved in our Marriage Preparation Programmes, please ring Dymphna on 07775 163693 for an appointment.

SVP (ST VINCENT DE PAUL): Our Parish SVP can now be additionally contacted at: SVPNewMalden@gmail.com. Please get in touch if you or anyone you know needs practical or spiritual help, giving both your details and those of the person/s concerned.

CANDLES IN CHURCH: Please **NEVER** leave lighted candles in church - **these are a fire hazard!** You can light only Votive Candles provided at the Shrines & for Adoration.

PLEASE MAKE SURE CHILDREN ARE SUPERVISED when in church. Please do not let them wander about unattended as it is disrespectful and possibly dangerous as there are always lighted candles in church.

From our Diocesan Safeguarding Office

Reporting abuse

If you are concerned about the welfare of a child or adult at risk, do not delay in contacting the police, using 999 if a child or adult is believed to be in immediate danger.

It is the policy of the Catholic Church in England and Wales to report all allegations of abuse to statutory authorities, regardless of whether the abuse occurred recently or in the past, or whether the accused person is living or deceased.

If you are in any role within the Catholic Church in England and Wales, you must refer allegations directly to the safeguarding office for your diocese or religious congregation, or directly to the Police.

If you are a member of the public, please refer allegations directly to the police and also to the safeguarding office in your diocese. You can contact the Archdiocese of Southwark Safeguarding Office by phoning 020 7261 1606 or email: safeguardingoffice@rcaos.org.uk.