



St Joseph's Catholic Church



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Sunday 14th March 2021

Laetare Sunday

Fourth Sunday of Lent (B)

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

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

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 15th *** 10am Mass
Lenten Feria

Tuesday 16th 10am Mass
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Wednesday 17th 10am Mass
St Patrick, Bp, Patron of Ireland (Feast) *

Thursday 18th 10am Mass
Lenten Feria (St Cyril of Jerusalem, Bp)

Friday 19th 10am Mass
ST JOSEPH, Spouse of the Blessed
Virgin Mary, Patron of the Universal
Church and our Parish (Feast) *

Saturday 20th 10am Mass
Lenten Feria

*** Live-streamed Mass Only

READINGS AT MASS

Sundays Year B; Weekdays cycle 1

This Sun: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16,19-23;

Ephesians 2:4-10; John 3:14-21

M. Isaiah 65:17-21; John 4:43-54

T. Ezekiel 47:1-9,12; John 5:1-16

W. Jeremiah 1:4-9; Acts 13:46-49;

Luke 10:1-12,17-20 *

T. Exodus 32:7-14; John 5:31-47

E. 2 Sam 7:4-5,12-14,16; Romans

4:13,16-18,22; Matt 1:16,18-21,24 *

S. Jeremiah 11:18-20; John 7:40-52

Next Sun: Jeremiah 31:31-34;

Hebrews 5:7-9; John 12:20-33

Fifth Sunday of Lent (B)

Shrine Lamp Intentions

Our Lady: Roberts' Family Intentions;

Sacred Heart: Mick Beadle RIP

St Joseph: Matthew Cruickshank

St Pius X: Wellbeing of Tim Lane

St Therese/St John Fisher: Wellbeing

of Joan Hill & Rita O'Connell

St Thomas More/St Anthony:

Wellbeing of John Hale

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT IS LAETARE SUNDAY

The word "laetare" means rejoice in Latin, and this idea is reflected in the entrance-antiphon for the Mass, which starts "Rejoice, O Jerusalem...". Falling roughly at the half-way point in the Lenten season, this is a Sunday when traditional Lenten austerity is relaxed, and we have a reminder of the joyous resurrection to come.

The day's liturgical colour is rose, instead of the usual purple of the Lenten season. In today's Gospel from John, Nicodemus acknowledged Jesus as someone who had come from God and seemed to want to be a follower of Jesus. Jesus greeted Nicodemus with the observation that one must be born from above to see the Kingdom of God. The dialogue between Jesus and Nicodemus that followed was about the meaning of this phrase. Although Nicodemus seemed to misunderstand Jesus at every point, there was no conscious animosity in the questions he posed to Jesus.

Today's Gospel continues with a theological reflection on Jesus' words to Nicodemus, where John elaborates on a number of themes found in his Gospel - light and darkness, belief and unbelief, good and evil, salvation and condemnation. In John's reflection, we find an observation about human sinfulness. We wish to keep our sins hidden, even from God, but Jesus has come into the world to reveal our sins so that they may be forgiven. This is the Good News; it is the reason for our rejoicing in this season of Lent and throughout our lives.



Today we also celebrate a very special day where we remember and pray for Mothers, Grandmothers and all women. The past year has been an especially challenging one for all mothers and women looking after their children and especially home-schooling them. We thank God for their strength & perseverance and pray for his blessing on them all and for a brighter year ahead.

MASS INTENTIONS: Sun (Sat) 6pm Peggy Wright RIP; 9.30 Mrs J Nagle RIP, 11.30 People of the Parish, Wellbeing of Matthew Cruickshank, 5.30 Mrs M Maharaj RIP; Mon. 10. Canon Edmund Hadfield RIP; Tue. 10. Mary Anne Bastiampillai RIP; Wed. 10. Anthony & Mary Anne Bastiampillai RIP; Thurs. 10. Patrick Hanafin RIP; Fri. 10. R & G Simmonds RIP, Wellbeing of Matthew Cruickshank; Sat. 10. Giuseppe Zannino RIP; Next Sun (Sat) 6pm Mary Fitzpatrick RIP; 9.30 Alfonso & Diana Guillen RIP, 11.30 Maria Francisca Fernandes RIP, 5.30 People of the Parish.

Email: newmaldenparishmassintentions@rcaos.org.uk

**LIVE STREAMING OF MASSES FROM ST JOSEPH'S

Although we now have Masses back physically 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 11.30am Mass.

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

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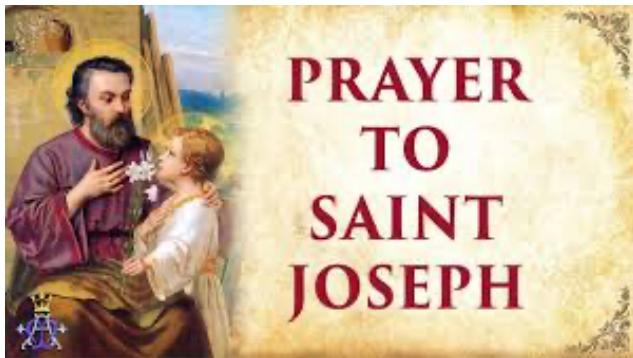
FEAST OF ST JOSEPH, PATRON SAINT OF OUR PARISH

This Friday, 19th March is the Feast of St Joseph, our dear Patron.

Although St Joseph is undoubtedly one of the most beloved and revered Saints, not much is known of him except what is said in the Gospels. He was a carpenter; he accepted the will of God unconditionally; and he supported Mary and brought up Jesus lovingly and faithfully. Although he was given a truly unique mission he accepted his role with humility, and carried it out with courage and integrity. From the human character of his son we can clearly see that he was a good and responsible father. He is widely venerated as a patron of artisans who honourably do good work with the gifts God has given them, and of workers in general. To those who exercise the role of an adoptive parent, whether formally or informally, whether over one child or as the support of a whole family, he is a source of inspiration.

*Please take this opportunity to read more about dear St Joseph from the Pope's Apostolic Letter, PATRIS CORDE - link below ** St Joseph, Pray for us.*

NB. Although the church is normally closed on Fridays, it will be open for the 10am Mass this Friday 19th, on the Feast Day of our Patron, St Joseph.



*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man.
Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father
and guide us on the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us
from every evil. Amen*

POPE FRANCIS DECLARES YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

In a new Apostolic Letter entitled *Patris Corde* ('With a Father's Heart'), Pope Francis has proclaimed a special 'Year of St Joseph' which began on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception 2020 and extends to the feast in 2021. The Letter marks the 150th anniversary of Blessed Pope Pius IX's declaration of St Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. The Holy Father wrote '*Patris Corde*' against the backdrop of the Covid-19 pandemic, which, he says, has helped us see more clearly the importance of "ordinary" people who, though far from the limelight, exercise patience and offer hope every day. In this, they resemble Saint Joseph, "the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence," who nonetheless played "an incomparable role in the history of salvation." Please click on this link for more: and http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_letters/documents/papa-francesco-lettera-ap_20201208_patris-corde.html. **



ST PATRICK, PATRON OF IRELAND - WEDNESDAY 17TH MARCH

This week we also celebrate another Saint who is very dear to many - St Patrick, Patron of Ireland, on the 17th March, the supposed date of his death. It is celebrated inside and outside Ireland as a religious and cultural holiday. In the dioceses of Ireland, it is both a [solemnity](#) and a [holy day of obligation](#); it is also a celebration of Ireland itself.

St Patrick was born in Roman Britain around the end of the 4th century, and died in Ireland about the middle of the 5th century. As a missionary bishop, he endured many hardships and faced opposition even from his friends and fellow Christians. Nevertheless, he worked hard to conciliate, to evangelise, and to educate local chieftains and their families. He is remembered for his simplicity and pastoral care, for his humble trust in God, and for his fearless preaching of the gospel to the very people who had enslaved him in his youth. *St Patrick, Pray for us.*



NB. It is hoped to have the Saturday 10am Mass available physically to the public from this Saturday 20th March.

SACRAMENTAL UPDATE

BAPTISMS - These are suspended at present. We hope to start taking applications after Easter.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021 - Applications are now closed. Those who have applied will be emailed shortly with the timetable and more info.

LENT 2021

For Lenten services and retreats, visit our website [here](#). There is also a **Stations of the Cross** from St Joseph's on our [Youtube page](#) for you to access any time at your convenience.

*This year we continue to support last year's Lenten Charities: **The Bournemouth Oratory Homeless Charity** and **Akanani & Lerato**, two ecumenical projects in Pretoria, South Africa. There are baskets at the back of church. Please give generously.*

Video reflections on Stations of the Cross – www.richardchalloner.com/prayerfulpause

The students and staff of our Chaplaincy Team are creating short (2 or 3 minute) video reflections for each Station of the Cross. They are being posted online twice a week, and should be complete by Holy Week. Each reflection has either been chosen by a student from resources online, or were written by the member of the community.

PATHWAYS TO CHRIST'S PASSION

3 webinars exploring the accounts of the Passion & Resurrection of Jesus, hosted by Holy Innocents Parish, Orpington

To prepare for Holy Week Fr. Henry Wansbrough, a Benedictine monk based at Ampleforth Abbey, will lead participants through different narratives of the Passion and Resurrection of Jesus in order to gain a deeper understanding of these powerful events. The series offers an opportunity to increase personal insights into the historical context and profound theology expressed in these accounts, with a view to understanding what the Resurrection means for the mission of the Church and for our spirituality.

Remaining 2 dates:

The Passion and Resurrection of Jesus according to John

Wednesday 17 March 2021 at 7.45 - 9.15 pm

The Passion and Resurrection of Jesus according to the writings of Paul

Wednesday 24 March 2021 at 7.45 - 9.15 pm

To find our more / join the webinars, visit [Eventbrite](#).

HOLY HOUR - Live-streamed from St Joseph's this Thursday 18th March at 8pm.



THE SVP IS HERE FOR YOU

The St. Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) at St. Joseph's is part of an international Catholic organisation working through small groups in parishes across the world. We aim to provide practical help and friendship wherever it is needed for people of all faiths and none. The COVID virus has made life harder for everyone, especially for those living alone. When you don't know who to turn to, SVP members can provide help in various ways, such as:

Shopping for the housebound or those who need to isolate; Telephone befriending – regular calls to have a chat; Telephone reading service – your favourite books or poetry read to you over the phone;



Transport for hospital appointments; Delivering the church newsletter to your home

If you or someone you know in New Malden would welcome some assistance from the SVP, please let us know by telephoning **07507 241518** or via St Joseph's Parish office: 1 Montem Road New Malden KT3 3QW Tel. **07488 241753** or **020 8942 2602**. (We can also be reached by email to svpnewmalden@gmail.com)

All our members have been police checked and help is provided to people of all faiths and none.

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