PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH

O Blessed St Joseph. Patron of the Universal Church. extend to all God's children the care you showed to the Holy Family in Nazareth and pray for us as we gather to celebrate the Eucharist. Guide & protect all the people of our parish and make the light of Christ shine among us so that His Kingdom may be established in our midst. Amen

PARISH GROUPS

Rosary Group: Mondays after Mass SVP: meets alternate Wednesdays at 2.30pm. CAFOD group: meets monthly

Music Group: contact Julie Train

Bereavement Group: contact Maureen Barnes

Guild of St Stephen (altar servers): last Sat of the month at 9am

Play Group & Nursery: contact Ann King on 671356 Youth Club: 1st & 3rd Friday of the month at 7.30pm

Diners' Club: meets monthly

Men's Breakfast: 1st Saturday of the month 8.30am

PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Office: Maureen Barnes & Cath Nugent, office hours: Weds & Fri 10am-3pm

Gift Aid Organiser: Angela Thompson

Child Protection: Breda Helm

Parish Magazine: Margaret Taylor / Tony Hayward

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat 4pm or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism: after Mass on Sundays

Sacrament Marriage: By Appointment

Adoration: Thursdays 8—8.30pm & as announced

SUNDAY MASS TIMES IN NEIGHBOURING PARISHES

Brownhills St Bernadette: Sat 6.30pm, Sun 10am

Cannock SS Mary & Thomas More: Sat 5.15pm, Sun 8am, 10.30am

Hednesford Our Lady of Lourdes: Sat 6pm, Sun 9.30am

Lichfield Holy Cross: Sun 8.30am, SS Peter & Paul Sat 6pm, Sun 11am

Rugeley SS Joseph & Etheldreda; Sat 7pm, Sun 11am, 6.30pm

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ST JOSEPH'S PARISH NEWS

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THIRD WEEK OF EASTER

Week beginning Sunday 8 May 2011 Sundays Year A; weekdays Year 1; Psalter Week 3

Sunday 8 May Third Sunday of Easter

5pm (Sat) Mass People of the Parish Francy McMulkin & 10am Mass

Donna Sault

Monday 9 May

Mass 7pm

7.30pm Rosarv & Adoration Rosemary Kingdon

Tuesday 10 May

9.15am Mass (in school) Joan Kelly (nee Mealey)

Wednesday 11 May

Edward Mooney Mass 12pm

Thursday 12 May

7.30pm The Word, Holy Communion & Adoration

Friday 13 May

9.15am George & Dorothy Carter Mass

Saturday 14 May

Confessions 4pm

Sunday 15 May Fourth Sunday of Easter

5pm (Sat) People of the Parish Mass Betty Wooton 10am Mass Harry Wooton **Baptism** St Anne's, Chasetown

United Service 6pm

Until the early 1960s, Mass was celebrated in Latin throughout the world. Wherever you happened to be on Sunday the Mass would be celebrated in the language you were used to. At the Second Vatican Council, in the early 1960's, it was agreed that Mass could be said in the language of the country in which it was being celebrated. There would be no change to the Mass itself, just the language being used. This would enable us to understand more fully what was being said and help us to participate more fully. An English translation was made available as quickly as possible. but it was intended to be temporary. A more considered translation would be issued later, hopefully in about 5 years. Some 40 years has since passed! This translation has at last been agreed by Rome and we will begin using it in our parishes this September. If you would like to know more about the liturgy document issued by the Second Vatican Council see

http://www.vatican.va/archive/hist_councils/ii_vatican_council/ documents/vat-ii const 19631204 sacrosanctumconcilium en.html

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. The people reply: Amen.

The Lord be with you. The people reply: And with your spirit.

THE WORD THIS WEEK

During the Season of Easter we walk with the Risen Lord, enjoying his appearing to his disciples. Today's gospel is one of the loveliest accounts of his appearing - and one especially important for the reader. Jesus appears and teaches the two disciples, by reference to the Scriptures, the meaning of his death. This is very close to the way in which the newly baptised would continue to be taught, through hearing the scriptures, during Easter. The reader should take to herself or himself the words of the Gospel Acclamation: "Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us."

FINANCE

Collection 30 April -1 May:

TBA

Second collections: Good Friday: Holy Places tba.

last Sunday: Cafod: tba.

this Sunday: Church Maintenance

Next Sunday.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Sunday refreshments: Germaine Caldwell & Yvonne Stanley

GENERAL NOTICES

HOUSE BLESSINGS: If anyone would CAFOD: On Monday May 9 at 7.30pm like their home blessed during this Easter in the hall, Helen Moseley is giving us a Season, please sign the list at the back of presentation on 'Connect 2' - our link church, leaving your contact details

Mon 9 May

wish to come. All welcome.

YOUTH CLUB: If there are any parents hore

would appreciate a visit by members of 480428 the SVP please let Fr Patrick or a member of the SVP know.

with a parish in Ethiopia. All welcome. Refreshments available. The next Cafod ROSARY GROUP: Rosary in church on meeting is on May 16 at 7.30pm. All wel-

DINERS' CLUB: Friday 13 May, 7pm at MEDJUGORJE: Marian Tours Pilgrimthe Nag's Head. Please sign up if you age 15-22 May, £519 (insurance £20 if required). Contact Josie Smith on 01889 582146 if interested.

willing to help with running the youth HILTON TALKS: Life in the Spirit club, please see Fr Patrick or Lisa Garts- Seminars Fri April 29-Fri June 10, 7.15pm. Please take green leaflet from back of church For more details ring SVP: If anyone knows somebody who Julie: 01543 672923 or Nichola: 01543

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Those who have died recently: Margaret Mary Yates, Edward O'Loughlin, Joan Colev. Muriel Hayes, Teresa Averill, Patrick William Ryan, Susan Burke, Angela Felgate, Winnie Williams, Betty Bardell.

Those whose anniversaries occur this week: Elizabeth Bailes, Audrey Margaret Galuszka, Winifred Daisy Geraghty, Robert William Woodward, Mr H. Walters, James Degregorio, Patricia Bridget Cantrill.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

The sick & housebound: Sheila Appleton (nee Levell), Gillian Atkinson, Chris Austin, Christopher Barton, Christopher Brown, Nikki Carr. Pauline & Ken Chaplain, Anne Corfield, Auriel Dalley, Roger Dunne, Janet Evans, Stuart Frost, Olga Grant, Jean Griffiths, Jill Gutteridge, Tracy Holland, Mary Hughes, Dorothy Hurley, Clare Kettle, Josie Kimberly, Lorraine Macbeth, John Magulski, Lily McGrath, Michael McGowan, Tracy Hardy, Alfred Daniel Floyd, Rev Francis McGregor, Amy McKeon, Anita McLean, Diane Meddings, Paul Robert Moffat, Daniel Moody, Ricardo Morcillo, Vincent Morgan, Betty Myatt, Elsie Norman, Joan O'Grady. Maureen Parker, Bob Preston, Bernadette Samongie, Tony Scott, Michael Stanley, Derrick Stone, Linda, Andy & Bethany Sutton. Margaret Trickett, Matthew Waterfield, Thelma Waters, Josie Wilson, Jean Winsper, Maureen Withy