

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
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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TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Week beginning Sunday 18 September 2011
Sundays Year A; weekdays Year 1; Psalter Week 1

Sunday 18 September *Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*
5pm (Sat) Mass *People of the Parish*
10am Mass *Jean Winsper*

Monday 19 September *St Januarius*
7pm Holy Hour

Tuesday 20 September *St Andrew Kim Taegon & Companions*
9.15am Mass (in school) *Joan Coley*

Wednesday 21 September *St Matthew*
12pm Mass *Joan O'Grady*

Thursday 22 September *Feria*
7.30pm The Word, Holy Communion & Adoration

Friday 23 September *St Pio of Pietrelcina*
9.15am Mass *Mrs Cotterill*

Saturday 24 September *Our Lady of Walsingham*
4pm Confessions

Sunday 25 September *Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*
5pm (Sat) Mass *People of the Parish*
10am Mass *Noel William Brown*

THE WORD THIS WEEK

We can never hope fully to understand God: especially God's generosity. We are very good at working out who is deserving of good fortune and who is not - unfortunately for us, God's gifts go to those God chooses, not those we choose. An example is forgiveness: those who have done the most wrong are those who receive the greatest forgiveness when they turn to God - perhaps at times we begrudge this gift. Today's lesson is simply this: God's ways are not our ways, God's thought are not our thoughts. "Why be envious, because I am generous?"



PLEASE PRAY FOR

Those who have died recently: Joan O'Grady, James Ward, Terry McHale, Olga Grant, Kath Mealey, Anita Patricia Pope, Margaret Mary Yates, Edward O'Loughlin, Joan Coley, Muriel Hayes

Those whose anniversaries occur this week: Wladshawk Galuszka, Mary Ann Smith, Annie Hopley, Patrick Lawrence Perry, John Harris, Mary Preston, Cecilia Catherine Wharton, Terence Leo Furlong

*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, Janet Evans, Stuart Frost, Jean Griffiths, Jill Gutteridge, Joshua Harley, Tracy Holland, Mary Hughes, Dorothy Hurley, Clare Kettle, Josie Kimberly, Lorraine Macbeth, John Magulski, Lily McGrath, Michael McGowan, Tracy McGregor, Amy McKeon, Anita McLean, Diane Meddings, Paul Robert Moffat, Daniel Moody, Ricardo Morcillo, Vincent Morgan, Betty Myatt, Elsie Norman, Maureen Parker, Bob Preston, Bernadette Samongie, Tony Scott, Margaret Smith, Michael Stanley, Derrick Stone, Linda, Andy & Bethany Sutton, Margaret Trickett, Matthew Waterfield, Thelma Waters, Josie Wilson, Jean Winsper, Maureen Withy, Letitia Worth

FINANCE Collection 11 September: £422.23 (Gift aid £162.01, Loose £260.22)
Second collections last Sunday: Racial Justice £235.93

this Sunday: Home Mission Sunday

next Sunday: Father Hudson's Society

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

GENERAL NOTICES

Rosary Group: This Monday at 8pm at 9 Hamps Close, Burntwood.

Harvest Mass: Sat 24 & Sun 25 Sept. Donations of food, preserves etc. welcome. Please put in blue box at the back of church.

CAFOD deanery Mass: to be celebrated at Our Lady of Perpetual Succour in Barton-under-Needwood on Tues 27 Sept at 7pm. All welcome. Please put names on list at the back of church if you can offer or if you need transport.

Diners' Club: Fri 7 Oct at 7pm at The Windmill, Gentleshaw. Please sign the list. All welcome

Concert: Gerry Coates, singer, songwriter & poet. To be held here at church on Fri 7 Oct at 7.30pm. All welcome. No charge. Refreshments available.

New Translation of Mass: There will be another evening on the Mass on Tues 11 October at 7.30pm in the hall.

Cardinal Griffin 50th Anniversary: Sat 15 Oct. 7.30pm, The Premier Suite, Cannock. Tickets £15 available from school (01543 502215 / office@cardinalgriffin.staffs.sch.uk) Mass will be celebrated on Tues 1 Nov. at 7pm at St Mary's, Cannock.

The parish bookstall is now located in the hall. Please feel free to borrow books. A donation to Cafod very welcome, please put in box by front door.

New Missal: The following Missals are going to be available: People's Sunday Missal (red) at £18. Delux (gold leafed pages) edition of same at £25 [both available from Advent]. Daily Missal (blue; includes Sundays also) at £45. [available early next year]. Please see brochure & sign the list at the back so we have some idea of how many to order.

OPUS Theatre Company are performing the play *Confessions of Honour* (a mystery set in World War II) on Mon 14 Nov at 7.30pm in the parish hall. Tickets £5, on sale soon.

THE SAINTS Saint Pio of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio) Feast: 23 September

Born on 25 May 1887, at the age of sixteen he entered the novitiate of the Capuchin Friars and was ordained priest in 1910. His ministry displays a remarkable devotion to prayer and the sacraments. He also committed himself to relieving the pain of many families, chiefly through the foundation of the "House for the Relief of Suffering". He died in 1968.