

### 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 contact Mary Kane  
**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:** Mondays 7.30—8.30pm & Thursdays 8—8.30pm

### 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

*This parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham and registered as a charity.*

*Number 234216 (1883)*

*St Joseph's is a Fair Trade Parish*



### ST JOSEPH'S PARISH NEWS

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## TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Week beginning Sunday 26 August 2012  
Sundays Year B; weekdays Year 2

### Sunday 26 August *Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5pm (Sat)	Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i>
10am	Mass	<i>Pat Greene</i>
12pm	Baptism	<i>Toby William Edis</i>

### Monday 27 August *St Monica*

7pm Evening Prayer & Holy Hour

### Tuesday 28 August *St Augustine*

No Service

### Wednesday 29 August *The Beheading of St John the Baptist*

12pm Holy Hour

### Thursday 30 August *St Margaret Clitherow, St Anne Line & St Margaret Ward*

7.30pm The Word, Holy Communion & Adoration

### Friday 31 August *St Aidan and the saints of Lindisfarne*

7pm Mass *Rev Ken Collins*

### Saturday 1 September *Feria*

1.30pm	Wedding Service	<i>Junior Rawlins &amp;</i>
4pm	Confessions	<i>Shemeica Thomas</i>

### Sunday 2 September *Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5pm (Sat)	Mass	<i>Kate Derry</i>
10am	Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i>
12pm	Baptism	<i>Florence Elizabeth Walker</i>



## THE WORD THIS WEEK

Failure, rejection and isolation: these are the themes of today's remarkable Gospel - but they are not all. In the face of them we see perseverance, fidelity and trust. Above all there is an adherence to the truth that is truly amazing. Jesus speaks the truth to all who will listen, and if they find that truth "intolerable" they are free to leave, just as they are free to believe. No one who reads this passage could accuse Jesus of being interested in fame or fortune or the simple accumulation of followers. He didn't play the 'numbers game'. Even more amazing is that when his followers seem to be down to their lowest ebb, he turns to the Twelve and gives them freedom to go as well. Peter's reply, when he speaks of their belief, is the only answer that matters; it is spirit and life that replies, not the flesh, which has nothing to offer.



### Indications for the Divine Office:

#### Week 21 of the Year *Psalter Week 1*

Mon p402ff (+p865); Tues p411ff (+p865/7); Weds p866ff (+p390/1021); Thurs p430ff; Fri p441ff; Sat pp455ff (+ p346); Sun p460ff (+p346)

## PLEASE PRAY FOR

**Those who have died recently:** Ann Mary Northcott, Mary O'Donnell, Andrew Nicholas, Edward Haken, Doris Rose Page, Rev Ken Collins, Bernard Hession

**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Teresa Cormican, Patricia Elizabeth Greene, Anthony Nixon, Margaret Mary Evans, Annie Lupane, Agnes Young, Mark Roger Abbey, Adela Westwood, Bernard James John Dowd, Maureen Patricia Walsh, Ada Wiggins, Silva Maria Coutts, Bernard Samuel Evans

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

**The sick & housebound:** 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, Sally Ireson, 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, Margaret Taylor, Margaret Trickett, Cath Twyman, Matthew Waterfield, Josie Wilson, Jean Winsper, Maureen Withy, Letitia Worth

**'My house shall be called a house of prayer'  
Before Mass Talk to God, during Mass Listen to God,  
after Mass Talk to each other**

## GENERAL NOTICES

**Finance:** 19 August £460.87  
(gift aid: £206.67 loose: £254.20)  
*Second collections*

last Sunday: Across £265.67  
this Sunday: Priests' Training Fund  
next Sunday: Church Maintenance

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Welcome to Fr Paul Moss, the Vocations' Director is celebrating Mass this weekend while I am in the Holy Land (21-30 Aug) with a group of priests and seminarians

**Holy Hour:** There will be 2 Holy Hours this week: Monday at 7pm & Wednesday at midday.

**Journey in Faith:** Monday 3 September, 7.30pm in the parish hall. For those who want to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church & their sponsors. The sessions will take place fortnightly.

**CAFOD:** The Cafod group will hold their next meeting on Mon 3 Sept at 7.30pm

**Toddlers' Group:** Starting on Wednesday 5 September in the parish hall. 9.30 - 11.30am.

**St. Joseph's Christian Nursery** offers the highest standard of childcare and Preschool education and is open 8.45am - 3.45pm every day of School Year. We accept all children from the age of 2 years including funded 2 year olds. NEF funding for all children available after 3rd birthday. Tel. 01543 671356 Before & After School Club available

**Charity Concert** of cello & guitar music: Sat 22 Sept 7.30pm. Tickets £7 under 16s free. See poster at back of church

## SAINT OF THE WEEK

### **Saint Margaret Clitherow: Feast 30th August**

Margaret Middleton was born in York in 1556, lived there all her life, and died there on 25 March 1586. At 15 she married a butcher, John Clitherow, and three years later became a Catholic. Imprisoned for her non-attendance at church, she taught herself to read and later ran a small school for her own and neighbour's children. Her husband remained Protestant, but allowed her to hide priests at their house. In 1586 the secret hiding places were discovered, and Margaret was put on trial. She refused to plead, for which the punishment was being crushed to death.