



ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, PUDSEY

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9TH JANUARY 2022: FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (YEAR C)

MASSES THIS WEEK:

Saturday 8 th January (Vigil – The Baptism of the Lord)	6.30pm	(Intention: November Dead List)
Sunday 9 th January (Feast of the Baptism of the Lord)	9.30am	(Intention: The People of the Parish)
	11.00am	(Intention: November Dead List)
Tuesday 11 th January (Feria)	7.00pm	
Wednesday 12 th January (St Aelred of Rievaulx)	11.15am	REQUIEM MASS: Mary Fahy
Thursday 13 th January (Feria)	9.30am	(Intention: November Dead List)
Friday 14 th January (Feria)	9.30am	(Intention: Rhodes/ Hennelly families)
Saturday 15 th January (Vigil – 2 nd Sunday of O.T.)	6.30pm	(Intention: Catherine Fahy)
Sunday 16 th January (Second Sunday of Ordinary Time)	9.30am	(Intention: The People of the Parish)
	11.00am	(Intention: November Dead List)

The Sunday 9.30am Mass is livestreamed: www.stjosephpudsey.org.uk/live-stream

COVID: The latest government restrictions due to the COVID Omicron variant mean that **face-coverings are now mandatory in churches** until further notice, with exceptions only for those who are legally exempt and for readers & cantors. Our bishops have also issued a statement in which they write: *“The Bishops, now having reflected on the current situation in England and Wales, recognise that the causes and effects of the pandemic are still present to such a degree that the absolute duty for all to freely attend the Sunday Eucharistic Celebration cannot yet be fulfilled.”*

REST IN PEACE: Please pray for the families & the repose of the souls of:

Mrs Mary Fahy, whose Requiem Mass is on Wednesday 12th January at 11.15am.

Mrs Sheila Allen, a devoted parishioner at St Joseph's between 1945 & 1968. She died recently in Bridlington at the age of 96 & her funeral will be at noon on 13th January at the Our Lady & St Peter's in Bridlington.

Mr Malachy McCollagh, whose Requiem Mass will be on Monday 31st January at 10.45am;

Mrs Patricia Ismay, whose funeral service will be at Cottingley Crematorium on Wednesday 26th January.

CONFESSIONS: Fr Peter will be available in the confessional on Saturdays from 6.00pm to 6.20pm, and in the sacristy for face-to-face confession on Tuesday 6.30pm to 6.50pm.

PARISH ONLINE SCRIPTURE GROUP: Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm. You're welcome to join in - please email pudseystjoseph@gmail.com

OFFERTORY & DONATIONS RECEIVED THIS WEEK: Standing Orders & bank transfers: £723.93; Offertory envelopes: £307.00; Cash donations: £277.14. Total received: £1308.07. Final total of Christmas Offerings to the Parish Priest: £1749.91. A sincere **THANK YOU** for your generosity! How to give to our parish:

1. Bank transfer: Sort Code: 40-27-15, A/C no: 21018175, A/C Name: ST JOSEPHS PUDSEY.
2. By popping your offertory envelope (or your own envelope with your number clearly marked please) through the presbytery letterbox.
3. By SMS: text CHURCH PUDSEY to 70500 to contribute £5 to the offertory of our parish.
4. You can also make donations online by going to: www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk/supporting-your-parish



We now have the new editions (January - March) of these popular daily devotional booklets. They can be picked up at the exit of our church, or please contact Fr Peter if you would like any posting to you. Donations towards them are welcome!

PEACE SUNDAY: is next weekend (15/16th January), and there will be a collection after the Masses to support **Pax Christi** in its campaigning work to promote **peace** based on justice, **reconciliation** after violence & dispute, and **non-violence** in challenging what is not fair or just. Pax Christi's National President, Archbishop Malcolm McMahon of Liverpool, writes: *This year has been one of unprecedented and continuing challenges. We are all conscious of the need to restore and rebuild our communities here and around the world, accepting that we need new ways of working and relating to each other. The Christian message of peace, through reconciliation, justice and nonviolence, can offer hope and direction in these times. I invite you to seriously consider facilitating a collection for, or making a donation to, the work of Pax Christi at this time as a way to make a practical contribution to continuing the work of peace.* www.paxchristi.org.uk



- The Leeds Justice & Peace Commission is running an online Zoom event, an hour's exploration of War and Climate Change, led by Tim Devereux, Chair of the Movement for the Abolition of War, on **Tuesday 18th January at 7:30pm**. For more details & registration, follow the links on www.leedsjp.org.uk

THEATRE GROUP PANTOMIME: Due to the recent COVID developments and the voracity of the Omicron variant, we have made the difficult decision to postpone the pantomime. It is felt the health and safety of everyone is paramount in the current times. The new dates will be confirmed as soon as possible and will take place when it is hoped we will be in a safer position and able to hold the pantomime without the many restrictions we have at the moment, thereby giving everyone a more enjoyable experience. We hope those of you who have already requested tickets will still be able to join us on one of the new dates.

“LIFE TRANSFIGURED”: A series of talks and workshops organised by our diocese on the interaction between Catholic Faith and the Arts on Tuesday evenings throughout 2022. The first talk will be on **Tuesday 18th January 7-8pm** by Fleur Dorrell from the Bishop's Conference & the Bible Society who will speak on “*Why we need the beautiful: how our faith is nourished by art.*” It is hoped that all the talks will be recorded and posted on our diocesan website, but please register if you would like to attend: lifetransfigured@dioceseofleeds.org.uk Full details of all the proposed talks are on our parish website newsletter page.

ANNUAL LOURDES DINNER DANCE: Friday 18th February at the Met hotel in the centre of Leeds. Begins at 7:30pm. Tickets: £35 include a reception drink, 3 course meal, live music and entertainment. Tickets are available from: philmmarshall49@hotmail.com or Tel: 07766 148375. All profits go to the Lourdes fund.

THE BRIERY RETREAT CENTRE, ILKLEY:

WEEKLY ZOOM MEDITATIONS: Thursdays 7.30pm – 8.15pm. Opening at 7.15pm for a chat and start promptly at 7.30pm. It is a simple format of praying with the Sunday Mass Readings and sharing in small groups.

HORIZONS OF HOPE: Saturday, 22nd January 2022. Inspired by the Wisdom of Fr Daniel O’Leary’s book, the day will be facilitated by the “Begin with the Heart” team.

For further information about the above email briery@btconnect.com or tel. 01943 607287 www.briery.org.uk

WHITE FLOWER APPEAL: There will be a collection after the weekend Masses on 22nd/23rd January for the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) in their annual “White Flower Appeal.” SPUC is currently campaigning to protect Pro-Life speech. Recently, Pro-Life students at the Universities of Oxford & Exeter have experienced violent intimidation, and attempts have been made to suppress their **right to speak about pro-life issues**. Postcards supporting SPUC’s appeal to send to the Prime Minister are available in the church porch. Also, SPUC are campaigning against the government’s “**home abortion**” strategy during the COVID pandemic, which basically provides abortion pills. SPUC’s campaign focuses on the concerns of very many GPs about the lack of professional supervision and also the increased potential of women being more vulnerable to coercion from abusive partners and family members. For more info see: www.spuc.org.uk

CHRISTMAS CRIB: The crib will remain in our church until the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas), which is on Wednesday 2nd February.