

We Welcome Old and New Parishioners and Visitors to our Masses and Community as we celebrate

THE 19th SUNDAY in Ordinary Time - 6TH/7TH OF AUGUST 2022

### St. Joseph's Catholic Church

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### Mass Times

Saturday (Vigil)	6.00 pm
Sunday	9.00 am
Sunday	11.00 am
Monday - Friday	11.00 am

Baptisms, Confessions and Marriages by appointment. Please contact the office for arrangements: [office@stjosephsrcc.org.uk](mailto:office@stjosephsrcc.org.uk)

### Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday 6pm	Michael Vincent, RD
Sunday 9am	Margaret & William Tiernan, A
Sunday 11am	Joseph & Lois Briggs, Wedding Anni.
Monday 11am	Susan Kennedy
Tuesday 11am	Mary Hanley
Wednesday 11am	WCT Family, Illness
Thursday 11am	Holy Souls
Friday 11am	Heather Maxwell, RD

### RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Susan Walls nee Roberts** who passed away on 23 July 2022, 68 years old. Her Funeral Service is Thursday, 11 August at 12.30am here at St. Joseph's. Our prayers and sympathy go out to her family and friends.

### RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Heather Hillis Maxwell** who passed away on 20 July 2022, 86 years old. Her Funeral Mass is Friday, 11 August at 11am here at St. Joseph's. Our prayers and sympathy go out to her family and friends.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

EVERY SUNDAY after 11am Mass there is **coffee/tea**. Come and join us for catch up and some coffee/tea.

**Food HUB: SUMMER HOURS/DAYS: Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays 10am-1230pm or by appointment.** Enquiries please do email us at: [stjosephscommunityfoodbank@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephscommunityfoodbank@gmail.com)  
Donations greatly appreciated!

**Zero Waste Fridge - Monday, Wednesday - and on Thursdays and Fridays 10-1230pm at the Food Hub during Summer.** Please help us to stop and cut Food Waste!

**Pray the Rosary - EVERY MONDAY** at 11.30am in the church.

**Funeral Service**, Susan Walls nee Roberts, 11 August 2022 at 12.30pm

**Funeral Mass**, Heather Hillis Maxwell, 12 August 2022 at 11am.

There is a trial of **Breakfast** with the Bay Drifters Ukulele Group playing music in early September on a Saturday, in the Community Centre. More details soon..... If you would like to help, please let us know in the office.



### Christmas Dates

**4 December** - Colwyn Male Voice Choir here at St. Joseph's

**16 December** - Parish Christmas Dinner at the Cricket Club with HOT meats... Details soon.

➤ **Calendars!** We are asking that if you are wanting to book the Centre or Presbytery for your group, or use the church, please phone or email the office: [office@stjosephsrcc.org.uk](mailto:office@stjosephsrcc.org.uk). We want to ensure that there is no conflict with any other meetings or events. Ideally 2 weeks notice please.

➤ **Collection for the 30/31st July:** £590.75. Donation £400. Maintenance & Development: £5.17

➤ **THIS WEEK there is a second collection for Maintenance and Development.**

➤ **Standing Order and Gift Aid forms** are at the back of the Church.

➤ **If you would like envelopes for visitors** they are yellow at the back of the church.

Please do visit the Repository. We have cards for all occasions, statues, rosary beads and so much more to offer.

**Little Lights Parent and Toddler Group** are on Summer break. Watch this space for restart date in the Fall! Enjoy your summer. Please see their Facebook page or email for further information: [littlelights@stjosephsrcc.org.uk](mailto:littlelights@stjosephsrcc.org.uk) to book a space.

**Bright Lights Youth Group** Any questions please contact us at: We Need You!

### We Need You!

Offertory Collectors are needed at the following Masses:  
**6pm Vigil, 9am and 11am Sunday Masses.**

If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please email the office at: [office@stjosephsrcc.org.uk](mailto:office@stjosephsrcc.org.uk)

Thank you!

### COACH TRIP!

Our Lady Star of the Sea is having a coach trip and has invited our Parish. Details so far are: 21 September 10am at Our Lady Star of the Sea (pick up in Colwyn Bay AT 10:15 in front of the church. It is a day trip Cost: £30. 1st Stop: St. Asaph to the Tweedmill followed by Corwen where you will embark on a steam train, Llangollen Railway to Llangollen and walk around Llangollen. Plan is to return to Colwyn Bay around 5pm. Meal(s) not included. The cost is £30 per person. If you would like to come please let us know and if you would like to pay, please let us know so we can ensure you get a spot. If you have any questions or require further details please contact Gwen Wilkinson at: 07395901064.



Good Luck to St. Joseph's Church as they are in the top 3 for the Colwyn In Bloom. We will let you know what the outcome is! If you or someone you know is interested in helping with the gardens and upkeep, please let us know and we will put you in touch with our lead gardener, who always would like some help! All help is appreciated.

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Look to **your** covenant, O Lord,  
and **forget** not the life of your poor ones  
for ever.  
Arise, O **God**, and defend your cause,  
and **forget** not the cries of those who seek  
you.

**GLORIA**

Glory to **God** in the highest,  
and on **earth** peace to people of good will.

We **praise** you,  
we **bless** you,  
we **adore** you,  
we **glorify** you,  
we **give** you thanks for your great glory,  
**Lord God**, heavenly King,  
O **God**, almighty Father.

**Lord Jesus Christ**, Only Begotten Son,  
**Lord God**, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you **take** away the sins of the world,  
have **mercy** on us;  
you **take** away the sins of the world,  
receive **our** prayer;  
you are **seated** at the right hand of the Father,  
have **mercy** on us.

For you **alone** are the Holy One,  
you **alone** are the Lord,  
you **alone** are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.

**COLLECT**

Almighty ever-living God,  
whom, taught by the Holy Spirit,  
we dare to call our Father,  
bring, we pray, to perfection in our hearts  
the spirit of adoption as your sons and  
daughters,  
that we may merit to enter into the inheritance  
which you have promised.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of  
the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.  
Amen.

**FIRST READING**

Wisdom 18:6-9

A reading from the book of Wisdom.  
That night had been foretold to our  
ancestors, so that,  
once they saw what kind of oaths they had  
put their trust in  
they would joyfully take courage.  
This was the expectation of your people,  
the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of  
their enemies;  
for by the same act with which you took  
vengeance on our foes  
you made us glorious by calling us to you.  
The devout children of worthy men offered  
sacrifice in secret  
and this divine pact they struck with one  
accord:  
that the saints would share the same  
blessings and dangers alike;  
and forthwith they had begun to chant the  
hymns of the fathers.

The word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

**PSALM**

Psalm 32

Response:  
Happy are the people the Lord has chosen as  
his own.

1. Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;  
for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.  
They are happy, whose God is the Lord,  
the people he has chosen as his own. (R.)
2. The Lord looks on those who revere him,  
on those who hope in his love,  
to rescue their souls from death,  
to keep them alive in famine. (R.)
3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord.  
The Lord is our help and our shield.  
May your love be upon us, O Lord,  
as we place all our hope in you. (R.)

**SECOND READING** Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

(Shorter form: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-12)  
A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we  
hope for, or prove the existence of the realities  
that at present remain unseen. It was for faith  
that our ancestors were commended.

It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the  
call to set out for a country that was the  
inheritance given to him and his descendants,  
and that he set out without knowing where he  
was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner,  
in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in  
a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who  
were heirs with him of the same promise.  
They lived there in tents while he looked  
forward to a city founded, designed and built  
by God.

It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite  
of being past the age, was made able to  
conceive, because she believed that he who  
had made the promise would be faithful to it.  
Because of this, there came from one man,  
and one who was already as good as dead  
himself, more descendants than could be  
counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the  
grains of sand on the seashore.

The word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Blessed are you, Father,  
Lord of heaven and earth,  
for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom  
to mere children.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL**

Luke 12:32-48

(For shorter form, read between > <)  
A reading from the holy Gospel according to  
Luke.

>Jesus said to his disciples:< "There is  
no need to be afraid, little flock, for it has  
pleased your Father to give you the kingdom.

"Sell your possessions and give alms.  
Get yourselves purses that do not wear out,  
treasure that will not fail you, in heaven  
where no thief can reach it and no moth  
destroy it. For where your treasure is, there  
will your heart be also.

>"See that you are dressed for action and  
have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for  
their master to return from the wedding feast,  
ready to open the door as soon as he comes  
and knocks. Happy those servants whom the  
master finds awake when he comes. I tell you  
solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them  
down at table and wait on them. It may be in  
the second watch he comes, or in the third,  
but happy those servants if he finds them  
ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if  
the householder had known at what hour the

burglar would come, he would not have let  
anyone break through the wall of his house.  
You too must stand ready, because the Son  
of Man is coming at an hour you do not  
expect."<

Peter said, "Lord, do you mean this parable  
for us, or for everyone?" The Lord replied,  
"What sort of steward, then, is faithful and  
wise enough for the master to place him over  
his household to give them their allowance  
of food at the proper time? Happy that  
servant if his master's arrival finds him at  
this employment. I tell you truly, he will place  
him over everything he owns. But as for the  
servant who says to himself, 'My master  
is taking his time coming', and sets about  
beating the menservants and the maids, and  
eating and drinking and getting drunk, his  
master will come on a day he does not expect  
and at an hour he does not know. The master  
will cut him off and send him to the same fate  
as the unfaithful.

"The servant who knows what his master  
wants, but has not even started to carry out  
those wishes, will receive very many strokes  
of the lash. The one who did not know, but  
deserves to be beaten for what he has done,  
will receive fewer strokes. When a man has  
had a great deal given him, a great deal will  
be demanded of him; when a man has had a  
great deal given him on trust, even more will  
be expected of him."

>The Gospel of the Lord. <

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**PROFESSION OF FAITH**

I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

(all bow during the next two lines)

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the  
Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge the living  
and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting.  
Amen.

**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

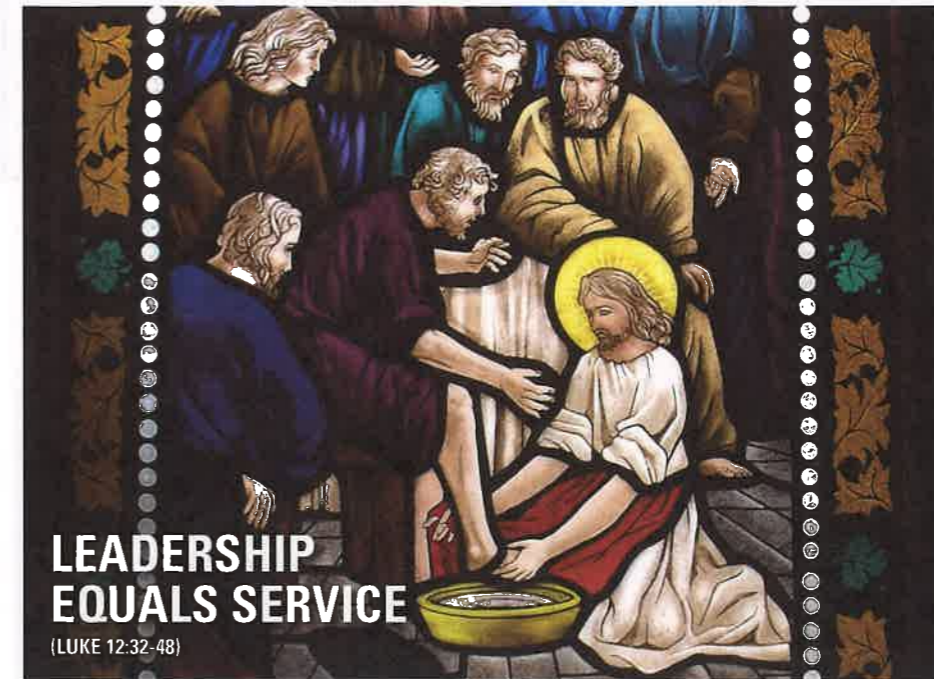
Be pleased, O Lord, to accept the offerings of  
your Church,  
for in your mercy you have given them to be  
offered  
and by your power you transform them  
into the mystery of our salvation.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord,  
who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

May the communion in your Sacrament  
that we have consumed, save us, O Lord,  
and confirm us in the light of your truth.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

**THE WORD**

Stained glass depiction of Jesus washing the feet of his disciples, in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Bangkok

Our Gospel reading today turns towards the final judgement at the coming of the Son of Man. Jesus' audience are advised to remain in a constant state of readiness, as they do not know when the Master will return. However, judgement is ongoing in the present, as the Lord is aware whether people are living up to their responsibilities or taking advantage of the master's absence.

It is difficult to overemphasise the shock of the householder's reaction towards the faithful and watchful servants who are awaiting his return. He does not expect them to serve him a meal, but instead puts on an apron, sits them down and waits on them himself. Such a reversal of roles would be unthinkable in a society where a person's position in the social hierarchy would determine their behaviour. But we do find in the Gospels this idea of authority as service, expressed here as table service and, elsewhere, Jesus sets this out as the model of leadership for his disciples.

Jesus responds to Peter's question about to whom this parable applies, but Jesus answers generally with another parable, this one about what kind of person the steward in charge of the household should be. This official was responsible not just for carrying out the instructions of the owner of the house, but also for the welfare of the servants in his charge. So, to be a faithful steward to the master, this person had to be attentive to the needs of the other members of the household. Thus, service is not just vertical, upwards to the one above, but also horizontal, towards the other members of the community. ■

**DO**

When you are helping someone else,  
remember that this is what discipleship is all  
about.

**SAY**

Happy are the people the Lord  
has chosen as his own.  
(Psalm 32:12)

**REFLECT**

It is difficult to avoid the practice of  
distinguishing between members  
of human society in terms of social  
hierarchy. Even nations which pride  
themselves on having abolished noble  
classes find themselves promoting  
certain individuals over others.

Luke's presentation of Jesus' teaching  
on authority and the way it is exercised  
among disciples is nothing short of  
revolutionary in the thinking of his  
time – and ours. We find the same idea  
of authority as service demonstrated  
in the Gospel of John, where Jesus  
washes the feet of his disciples, a task  
that a Jewish slave could not be forced  
to perform. This would apply to the  
faithful steward, who is rewarded for  
conscientious fidelity.

Our reading carries a warning about  
the abuse of authority on the part of  
those entrusted with such a role, with  
examples of the fate of those who fail  
in the exercise of their duties: abusing  
their position of authority or neglecting  
to carry out their responsibilities, even  
for not knowing what their position  
actually entailed.

It is easy to imagine that the Gospels  
refer only to the religious authorities of  
Jesus' time, or that of the evangelists.  
But the scriptures have a permanent  
significance: they apply just as much  
to our time, our present church  
community. Any leader is in a position  
of trust: much will be expected. ■

**LEARN**

A steward was the official left in charge to  
manage the household while the owner was  
away.

The steward was responsible for the well-  
being of the other members of the household.

In the Gospel of Luke, authority in the  
community of disciples is expressed in  
service.

Leaders are given more responsibility and  
will be held to higher account.

