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18 July - 19 July 2020

WEEDS AMONG WHEAT

Wisdom 12:13,16-19 Psalm 86: 5-6, 9-10, 15-16 Romans 8:26-27 Matthew 13:24-43

This week's readings make us ask the question: Why does God permit the evil to grow alongside the good? "Let them both grow till harvest." Why does He permit some to reject the Word of His kingdom? Because, as we sing in today's Psalm, God is slow to anger and abounding in kindness. He is just, Jesus assures us—evildoers and those who cause others to sin will be thrown into the fiery furnace at the end of the age. But by His patience, God is teaching us—that above all He desires repentance, and the gathering of all nations to worship Him & to glorify His name. So we should not be deceived or lose heart when we see weeds among the wheat, truth and holiness mixed with error, injustice and sin. For now, He makes His sun rise on the good and the bad (*Mtt. 5:45*). But the harvest draws near. Let's work that we might be numbered among the righteous children—who will shine like the sun in the kingdom of the Father.

Masses and Intentions for This Week

Saturday	18	Our Lady on Saturday	10.00am	Holy Mass	Enos Turnbull (M L Gogerty)
Saturday	18	SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	Holy Mass	People of The Parish
Sunday	19	SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Holy Mass	Louisa Park ⊕ (C & A Park)
Monday	20	Memorial of St Apollinaris, Bishop, Martyr	12.00pm	Holy Mass	Francis Mitchell & Robert Williamson (B Mitchell & G Sturgeon)
Tuesday	21	Memorial of St Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest, Doctor of the Church	12.00pm	Holy Mass	Marian Longstaff ⊕ (L & C Burger)
Wednesday	22	Feast of St Mary Magdalen Fr Naz's Priestly Anniversary	Private	Holy Mass	Rosemarie Foote (L & C Burger)
Thursday	23	Feast of St Bridget, Religious, Patron of Europe, Day of Prayer for Europe	7.00pm	Holy Mass	Arabella Cureton (The Craig Family)
Friday	24	Memorial of St Sharbel Makluf, Priest	9.15am	Holy Mass	Private Intention
Saturday	25	Feast of St James, Apostle	10.00am	Holy Mass	Barbara Innes (Fr Naz)
Saturday	25	SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Pat Gallagher ⊕ (C & A Phelps)
Sunday	26	SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Holy Mass	People of The Parish

HOLY MASS FROM ST JOSEPH'S

Is livestreamed via YouTube every day <u>except 6pm Mass on Saturday</u> https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCq9QGYz7CmmPDRxzmT ttow





REOPENING ST JOSEPH'S FOR HOLY MASS

It may be helpful for parishioners to know how many people have attended which masses thus far:

Mass	Parishioners	Capacity
Mon 6 Jul at 12pm	25	100%
Tue 7 Jul at 9:15am	4	16%
Thu 9 Jul at 7pm	18	72%
Fri 10 Jul at 9:15am	10	40%
Sat 11 Jul at 10am	8	32%
Sat 11 Jul at 6pm	13	52%
Sun 12 July at 10am	14	56%
Mon 13 Jul at 12pm	19	76%
Tue 14 Jul at 9:15am	11	44%
Thu 16 Jul at 7pm	16	64%
Fri 17 Jul at 9:15am	7	28%

Please note that Tuesday Mass will be celebrated at 12 noon until further notice. Two stewards open the doors 15 minutes before each Mass. Face coverings must be worn by all who attend and a one-way system has been created in the church to help maintain social distancing. If you would like to volunteer as a steward please contact Sue Stubbings on 01684 541 716. If we do not have stewards for a Mass, the church will remain closed for that service.

MAKE AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

If you cannot attend Mass, you may make an Act of Spiritual Communion by saying:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my

heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. AMEN.

Support for Quarantined or Isolating Parishioners If you would like help or support during lockdown, please contact the parish office or call Chris & Liz Burger on 01886 832729. (Your details will be used by parishioners to contact you only for so long as you wish us to do so. Your information will be held securely on the basis of your consent by the parish and those parishioners who contact you in accordance privacy diocesan with the policy at http://www.birminghamdioces.org.uk/privacy-policy . St Joseph's parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham, registered charity number 234216.)

Church cleaning Due to the coronavirus pandemic several regular volunteer cleaners unable to continue at present. If anyone could spare an hour or two every three or four weeks and join one of our teams it would be much appreciated. Please contact Mary-Rose Hughes on 01684 560139 maryrose.hughes@gmail.com or the Parish Office.

Sight Concern For parishioners with sight problems, help is available from Sight Concern. Please phone Jenny Douglas to discuss your needs. Our parishioner, Lynne Harper, has recently been helped by Jenny and strongly recommends the charity's services. Contact: Jenny Douglas, Sight Loss Advisor, Malvern Area, Tel: 01905 723245, Mob: 0772 2630217, j.douglas@sightconcern.co.uk Mon to Wed.

The OWG Summer Appeal

If you come to church you can collect an envelope as usual, to return this week or next. To learn about the appeal and to donate electronically, please go to: <u>https://www.stjosephsmalvern.org/j/index.php/articles/o</u> <u>ne-world-group-summer-2020-appeal</u> For information about the projects we support, go to: <u>https://www.stjosephsmalvern.org/j/index.php/parish-groups/charity/one-world-group/40-one-world-group</u> We can all make a real difference to poor communities worldwide and to our local homeless.

Masks and Face coverings Disposable masks end up in landfill so consider purchasing a washable, reuseable mask or even try making your own. There are lots of patterns online and several easy to follow tutorials on YouTube:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uRfhuRNua_E

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The Lyttelton Well Cafe is open again! Mon to Fri from 10 -3 (but not Sat initially). We've missed you and look forward to seeing you all again. As always, we'll be providing a range of good quality, delicious food including light snacks and meals. Socially distanced seating is available and we'll also be offering a takeaway service. Hope to see you soon!

The Pope's Prayer Intention for July We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Stan Chetwood (husband to Margaret); Louisa Park (mother to Chris); Jennifer Sturgeon (sister-in-law to Georgina) and Angel Ventura Moraris of Sister Sylvia's spiritual family.

Anniversaries 19 July Mary Teresa Ferguson

PLEASE PRAY FOR the sick & housebound of St Joseph's parish: Anne Wiseman, Martin Burger, Raymond Bree, Nicholas Ratcliff, Ellen Verdult, Jonah Willis, Anne-Marie Elder and Jessica. We include all those in hospitals, nursing homes & their own homes. Our Lady, Health of the sick, pray for them. Amen.

This Sunday there will be an opportunity to make a donation for the **Apostleship of the Sea** which provides spiritual and welfare support for seafarers. In 2019, 8,084 ships were visited, 117,848 seafarers were helped and 648 received donated clothing. You may donate by using the envelopes which are available at the exit by the McEnnis Room or by visiting the Apostleship of the Sea website at: https://www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk/donate-now