

We welcome into our parish community  
Leo Arron Ashcroft who will be Baptised here at  
St Joseph's Church next weekend.  
Keep him and his family in your prayers.  
If you wish to have your child  
Baptised at St Joseph's church,  
please ring the Parish office to book a place on the  
next Baptism Meeting.



### Tea and Coffee.

There will be **no** Tea and coffee served  
after the 9.30 am Holy Mass until further  
notice in the Parish Hall.



Dear all at St Joseph's

Thank you so much for your very  
kind donation of cheques for £92.50  
and £144.90 This will help and be  
used for approximately 1300 families  
in the Wigan and Leigh Borough at our Food Com-  
munity. With the kindness of donors like you, we  
stand as a strong defence against homelessness and  
poverty.

Full copy of the letter can be found on the notice  
board at the back of church .

### Last weeks Collection.

Total Collection for the last weekend.

Gift Aid: £348.47  
Loose Plate: £263.78  
Total: £612.25



### Church Cleaning Rota



This week it is Group 6.  
Thank you to **ALL** our  
volunteers who help to clean  
and prepare our church  
throughout the year.



Many of our parishioners keep Red Mission boxes  
in their homes, allowing them to donate any loose  
change to the APF (Association for the Propagation of  
the Faith) and Mill Hill Missionaries.

New contributors are of course always most  
welcome! If you would like a Red Box please take  
one from back of church and return either when  
full or at least once a year.

If you require a receipt for your donation or you  
gift aid then please remember to write your name  
and address on label.

*Thank you for your support!*

### Cursillo Encounter Day

An encounter with God, self & others

You are warmly invited to a day of prayer, re-  
flection and discipleship

**Sunday 25th Feb 2024**

**11.00am - 3.00pm**

St Teresa's Catholic Church Hall, College Rd,  
Upholland, WN8 0PY.

To book your place [email Liverpool:  
cursillo@live.co.uk](mailto:cursillo@live.co.uk) or tel: 07947271037

### St John Rigby College

St John Rigby College-applications for Part-Time  
Examinations Invigilators.

SJR is now hiring examination invigilators for the May  
to June 2024 external examination season.

Prior experience is not essential as full training will be  
provided to successful candidates.

Further information about this part time post may be  
obtained by contacting the College's HR Manager,  
Nellie Fakudze, via HR@sjr.ac.uk or by telephone on

01942 214 797



# St Joseph's Catholic Church

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## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11th February 2024



<b>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	9.30 am 5.00 pm	Alan Howarth R.I.P Ann Woods
<b>Monday</b>	9.30 am	Josie Ennis & Family
<b>Tuesday</b>	No public Mass	
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>Ash Wednesday</b>	7pm	Mass and distribution of Holy Ashes Phillipa Waterhouse R.I.P
<b>Thursday</b>	9.30 am	Jacqui Edmondson & Family
<b>Friday</b>	No public Mass	
<b>Saturday</b>	No public Mass	
<b>First Sunday of Lent</b>	9.30 am 5.00 pm	Marlene Maguire R.I.P Deceased members of Rogers and Cassidy Family

*Service of Reconciliation available on request.*

## Readings for The Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

<b>First Reading</b>	A reading from the book of Leviticus. Lev 13:1-2. 44-46
<b>Psalm Response</b>	You are my refuge, O Lord; you fill me with the joy of salvation.
<b>Second Reading</b>	A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians. 1 Cor 10:31-11:1
<b>The Gospel</b> <b>Acclamation</b>	Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!
<b>Gospel</b>	A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark. Mk 1:40-45
<b>Communion Antiphon</b>	They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.

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## The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Through the healing of the leper by Jesus, the gospel writer is posing us a question: 'Who is this man Jesus?' The close bond that exists between Jesus and his Father means that Jesus has the power to heal those who are sick.

THE GOSPEL OF  
**MARK**



**Holy Face Feast Day 13th February 2024**

### **Promises of Our Lord for those that Honour the His Holy Face**

All those who honour my face in a spirit of reparation will by doing so perform the office of the pious Veronica. According to the care they take in making reparation to my Face, disfigured by blasphemers, so will I take care of their souls which have been disfigured by sin. My Face is the seal of the Divinity, which has the virtue of reproducing in souls the image of God. Those who by words, prayers or writing defend My cause in this work of reparation I will defend before My Father, and will give them My Kingdom.

By offering My Face to My eternal Father, nothing will be refused, and the conversion of many sinners will be obtained.

By My Holy Face, they will work wonders, appease the anger of God and draw down mercy on sinners. As in a Kingdom they can procure all that is desired with a coin stamped with the Kings effigy, so in the Kingdom of heaven they will obtain all they desire with the precious coin of my Holy Face.

Those who on earth contemplate the wounds of My Face shall in Heaven behold it radiant with glory. They will receive in their souls a bright and constant irradiation of My Divinity, that by their likeness to My Face they shall shine with particular splendor in Heaven.

I will defend them, I will preserve them and I assure them of Final Perseverance.

**More information on how to obtain a Holy Face medal and prayers to the Holy Face ,can be found on the Holy Face website.**

### Sick in our Parish

Please pray the sick of our community, especially Brenda Harmer, Fr John Johnson, Pauline Fowler and remembering all the patients in Wrightington and Wigan hospital and our local Hospice. Heal thy servants, O Lord, who are sick and put their trust in Thee. Send them help O Lord, and comfort from thy Holy Place.



### Pray for all those who have died

In your charity please pray for Emma Scott who has died and for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time. We particularly remember the forgotten Holy Souls who have no one to pray for them including Priests and Religious. Eternal rest grant on to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in your peace. Amen.



## **Right To Life UK**

### **Pro Life Prayers**

*"Today we commemorate the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and World Day of Prayer for the Sick. Let us especially pray for all those who are nearing the end of their lives, that they may experience God's comfort and peace. We pray too for medical professionals who work in hospice care, that they might continue to safeguard the dignity and wellbeing of all patients who are made in the image and likeness of God. Lord hear us".*

## **A prayer for priests**

*"O Jesus, our great High Priest, hear my humble prayers on behalf of your priests. Give them a deep faith, a bright and firm hope and a burning love which will ever increase in the course of their priestly life..."*

### **World Day of Prayer—St Joseph's Catholic Church, Wrightington.**

**1st March at 2pm**

This year St Joseph's will be hosting an Ecumenical Service prepared by the Woman of Palestine to celebrate *World Day of Prayer*. You are invited to join us in prayer on **Friday 1st March at 2pm**.

Please come along to pray and support each other on this special day.

***Refreshments are available after the service.***

## **Mill Hill Missionaries National Novena to St Joseph**

10 - 18 March 2024



### **NOVENA MASSES**

will be celebrated at  
**St Joseph's Church Maidenhead\***

at 10:00 am weekdays and Saturday (10th),

and 11:00 am Sunday (10th & 17th).

### **EVENING PRAYER & NOVENA**

will be held at the Mill Hill Community Chapel

Maidenhead\*

at 6:00 pm daily

during the Novena.

\*Both events will be available to view on Zoom, via the Mill Hill website: [www.millhillmissionaries.co.uk/novena](http://www.millhillmissionaries.co.uk/novena).

### **Invitation to join us in Prayer**

If you would like to receive a Novena booklet please send a

stamped self-addressed envelope to:

Novena Director

St Joseph's Missionary Society

6 Carby Gardens

Maplewood

Berkshire

SL6 7JZ

Or email: [novena@mhms.com](mailto:novena@mhms.com)

For more information about the Mill Hill Missionaries, please visit our website: [www.millhillmissionaries.com](http://www.millhillmissionaries.com).

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## **Novena to St Joseph**

**10th March-18th March**

**See poster in church and join the Mill Hill Missionaries in prayer for a special Novena to St Joseph.**

### **Holy Mass Intentions.**

If you would like to request a Mass to be celebrated here at St Joseph's church, there are envelopes at the back of church. **Please state clearly** for whom your Mass intention is for **and the date you wish to have the Mass** celebrated on. **We will try to meet your requests**, Please enclose your offering and pass to the parish office.

### **MISSION STATEMENT OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF LIVERPOOL**

"Taking to heart the last words of the Lord Jesus, we will go into the world to proclaim the Good News to the whole of Creation"