

MASS TIMES FOR WEEK COMMENCING 12 FEBRUARY 2017: SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Saturday Vigil:	11	4pm	St Edward's (Our Lady of Lourdes)
Sunday:	12	9.30am 10am 11.30am 5pm	St Peter's ~ Polish St Joseph's St Peter's St Peter's
Monday	13	4pm	St Edward's
Tuesday	14	9.30am 6.30pm	St Joseph's (Ss Cyril and Methodius) St Peter's
Wednesday	15	11.30am	St Peter's
Thursday	16	9.30am 4pm	St Joseph's St Edward's
Friday	17	9.30am	St Peter's (Seven Founders of the Servite Order)
Saturday:	18	9.30am	St Peter's

SYRO-MALABAR MASS: normally 4th Sunday of the month at 4pm at St Edward's Church.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:			SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):		
Tuesdays	St Joseph	8.30am - 9.30am	Saturdays:	St Peter's	10am-11am
Thursdays	St Edward	4.30pm-5.30pm	Saturdays:	St Edward's	3.15pm - 3.45pm
Saturdays	St Peter	10am-10.30am	Sundays:	St Joseph's	9.15am - 9.45am

MASS OF ANOINTING at all Masses **this weekend**. This coincides with the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, and World Day of Prayer for the Sicks. This Sacrament is for those who struggle with the frailty of old age, or with emotional trauma or poor health or of undergoing tests or medical care. However, it is not for everyone.

REGULAR EVENTS & VENUES

ADORATION in each church – see above for times

MORNING PRAYER (Divine Office) 15 minutes before morning Mass (St Joseph's)

ROSARY before Mass **Fridays 9am** (St Peter's); after Mass **Thursdays** (St Joseph's)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS **Fridays** after Mass (St Peter's)

SACRED HEART DEVOTION **Fridays** after Mass (St Peter's)

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP devotion **3rd Wednesday** monthly (St Peter's after Mass)

MOTHERS' PRAYERS **Wednesdays 1.15pm** (St Peter's Parish Centre upper room)

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION **Fridays** at **2.45pm** (St Peter's Sacristy)

LEGION OF MARY **Saturdays 10.30am** (St Peter's Parish Centre)

PARENT & TODDLER GROUP Term time **Mondays 9.30am** (St Joseph's Bungalow)

ASCENT (LIFE ASCENDING) **2nd Thursday** monthly **10am** (St Joseph's bungalow)

EMMAUS Scripture sharing group, **Thursdays 2pm** fortnightly (St Edward's)

SVP (St Vincent De Paul Society) **St Peters: 7.30pm** first **Monday** of month (Parish Centre), **St Joseph's: Tuesdays** fortnightly **7.30pm** (Newman Room)

RECENTLY DECEASED:

MASS ATTENDANCE

St Edward's Vigil:	72
St Joseph's 10am:	217
St Peter's 11.30am:	195
St Peter's 5pm:	58
Total:	542

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Envelope giving	£583
Loose plate	£843
Standing orders (weekly av):	£513
Total:	£1,939

300 CLUB WINNERS
Enquire at Parish office

YOUTH CLUB 7-8.30pm **Fridays** of term-time at St Augustine's School. Pancake night with cooking and games: **Friday 17 February**. See posters at back of church for full list of Youth Club events.

FIRST CONFESSION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2017 sessions are now underway for the 30 children and their families. There is a **photograph of the children and families** on the Parish Website.

BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE begins **7.30pm Thursday 16 March**. 1 hour a week for 4 weeks in St Peter's Parish Centre. Anyone with a child for Baptism get in touch. 4 enquiries so far.

CONFIRMATION There will be no Confirmations this year. We will have it every 2nd year for our town and surrounding area.

PARISH OPEN HOUSE If you need to see a priest to make an initial enquiry about a Baptism or Wedding or anything else, seek us out at the **end** of Mass, or ring us, or drop by the Presbytery Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday or Saturday. If we happen to be out leave a contact note.

ROSARY FOR THE UNBORN **Sunday 19 February at 2.45pm** Contact Parish office for venue. All welcome. Followed by refreshments.

INVITATION TO OPEN MASS at **Madonna House Tuesday 21 February at 2pm**. Main celebrant, Fr Terence Richardson, acting abbot at Ampleforth Monastery. He will give a short talk after Mass. All welcome.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY Fundraising evening for the **Ladies of Mary** who are leaving the diocese after serving our parishes at the Convent and St Peter's for many years: **Thursday 23 February after Mass** at St Edward's Hall.

MASS OF THANKSGIVING for the **Ladies of Mary (Daughters of Mary & Joseph)** at **11.30am on Sunday 26 March** at St Peter's, followed by a buffet.

WALSINGHAM Annual Dowry of Mary Pilgrimage is **8-11 September**. Accommodation in Single or Twin Standard rooms (£171.50 pp) or double or twin en-suite rooms (£210.50 pp). Note there are **no single en-suites**. Price includes full board & travel. Contact the Parish office

WILD WEST NIGHT Stepney Hill Party Barn **7-12pm on Friday 24 March**, organised by St Peter's School & Friends and hosted by Magic Mike. Hog roast. Fancy dress. Tickets £15pp. Proceeds to Eagle House Orphanage, Kamuzinda, Uganda. Contact the Parish office. The Orphanage is one of the children's homes which are part of the Molly and Paul Foundation, where the children in the Pearl of Africa choir are from.

PARISH LUNCHEON **Wednesday 15 February after 11.30am Mass** St Peter's. Contact the parish office ASAP to book a place. Newcomers welcome.

UCM next meets on **Tuesday 21 February at 7pm** in St Peter's Parish Centre for Pie & Pea Supper & Quiz. All welcome.

WOMENS WORLD DAY OF PRAYER Praying for the Philippines, and written by the Christian women of the Philippines: **10.30am Friday 3 March** at Wreyfield Drive Methodist Church (bus route no.5 & 5). Followed by refreshments. All welcome.

COLD WEATHER We are doing our best to keep our churches warm during the cold winter months. It is especially difficult to heat our churches on cold days because of the size. Please help to conserve heat by ensuring that you keep the doors of the church closed.

COFFEE & TEA after Sunday Mass at St Joseph's (1st Sunday of month) and weekly at St Peter's – join us for a warm brew.

REQUEST TO PARISH GROUPS The website is being developed further to include (among other things) details of all groups active in the parish. We would be grateful if **all groups could supply a brief outline** of their mission/activities and details of meeting times, to this end.

URGENT PLEA FOR MEN'S CLOTHING The Rainbow Centre have taken 6 Syrian families into their care. Large and extra-large sizes needed too.

PETITIONS TO OUR LADY OF FATIMA
Petitions can be taken to Fatima by one of our parishioners on 21 March. Place your petitions in a sealed envelope (no money) and put it in the collection or through the letter box.



CHILDREN'S
Liturgy of the Word

The **Liturgy of the Word** of Mass is at a level the children understand and enjoy, with discussions, prayers, songs and activities. It tries to raise awareness of God's love, the seasons of the Church, the understanding of, and symbols in the Mass, and help them grow in the Faith of the Catholic Church. **We need some more volunteers to join the Rota**. We will resume children's Liturgy of the Word at the beginning of Lent at St Peter's. 11.30am Mass.

LENT 2017 begins **1 March (Ash Wednesday)**. This week the *Walk With Me* Lenten Reflection booklet and the *Lent Extra* magazine is available in our churches. The Lent edition of the *Bible Alive* is also available. Give a donation towards cost.

LENT PLANNER We are planning our Lent events calendar for all 3 churches. Available soon.

RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY
12 FEBRUARY 2017

The theme for Racial Justice Sunday 2017 is 'Our Community'. Each person is precious; persons are more important than things, and the worth of an institution is measured by the way it treats the life and dignity of human beings.

Racial justice is a gospel imperative since Christ called us not just to welcome all who we meet but to treat people with dignity and respect in every aspect of our private and public lives. It is the responsibility of all Catholics to help eradicate racial discrimination in all its forms within the church and wider society.

PRAYER FOR RACIAL JUSTICE
Father, you created each one of us in your own image. Yet yours is a world made glorious by its rich diversity. This we sometimes misunderstand, sometimes fear. Give us the patience to build on what unites us, to celebrate our differences and to learn from them. Grant us the wisdom to recognise your Church, beyond the walls of a building, reaching out across all communities, countries and cultures. Give us the courage to offer refuge to those in need, to challenge prejudice and seek justice for all. Help us to see that you created us in your image. Neighbour or stranger, always our brother or sister.
Amen

**LITURGICAL COLOURS:
PURPLE/VIOLET**

Violet is a dark colour, the gloomy cast of the mortified, denoting affliction and melancholy. Liturgically, it is the colour of Advent and Lent, the seasons of penance and preparation.



WHY DOES THE PRIEST/DEACON KISS THE ALTAR at the beginning and end of Mass? A kiss is a sign of homage and submission. If effect, the priest is offering a kiss to **Jesus as Lord and Saviour, King and High Priest**. It is also to honour the **Altar of Sacrifice**, the place where Christ's one and only Sacrifice is made present in time at Mass, and where the **miracle of the Eucharist occurs** - where the substance of the bread and wine become in reality the Body and Blood of Jesus. Another reason which is deeply rooted in Christian Tradition is to **revere the Relics of the Saints or Martyrs** placed within the altar itself. The priest is also honouring the great and heroic sacrifice of the Martyrs.

WEBSITES OF THE WEEK
Place a Petition at Lourdes online
<http://en.lourdes-france.org/praying/placing-a-petition-at-the-grotto-of-lourdes>

MOTTO This alone is what God asks of you: that you act with justice; that you love with tenderness; that you walk humbly with your God. (Micah)

SUNDAY SMILE: *God grant me the senility to forget the people I never liked anyway, the good fortune to run into the ones I do, and the eyesight to tell the difference.*

**SCARBOROUGH CATHOLIC PARISHES INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE PERIOD 1 JANUARY TO 31 DECEMBER 2016**

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
ORDINARY INCOME:		
Offertory income	93,767	95,521
Gift aid refunds	16,756	16,106
Property rents received (Southcliff flat, St Peter's Old School, garage & hall hire)	16,146	16,501
Parish fund raising, and Holy Shops - net of costs	9,542	9,170
Stipends & donations (inc. Funerals, Baptisms, Weddings & hospital chaplaincy)	13,334	14,375
Total income	149,545	151,673
LESS ORDINARY EXPENSES:		
Church and presbytery costs (utilities & council tax, insurance etc., church & domestic supplies)	54,009	41,932
Diocesan levy (each parish pays a fixed sum to central office)	49,900	48,674
Priests' remuneration	13,768	11,621
Travel and motor expenses	5,491	5,725
Property repair and maintenance costs (general)	12,490	15,184
Youth costs (Youth worker & youth events)	4,807	6,809
Office & administration supplies and services (phone, printing, postage & stationery etc.)	8,124	8,216
Other expenses (ministers' & clergy formation, sacramental preparation, parish trip subsidies etc)	4,540	9,544
Total ordinary expenses	153,129	147,705
NET (DEFICIT) / SURPLUS on ordinary income and expenses	(3,584)	3,968
EXTRA-ORDINARY INCOME AND EXPENSES:		
Add: Legacies	-	37,031
Less: Parish centre double glazing (2015 clean/decorate St Joseph's)	(9,646)	(12,929)
NET (DEFICIT) / SURPLUS after accounting for extra-ordinary transactions	(13,230)	28,070

Note: Extra-ordinary income & expenses are transactions of a one off and substantial nature. Thank you for your ongoing generosity and support. Fr Gubbins and Fr Albert.

GIFT AID As you will see from the above, a **substantial proportion of our income (£16,756) comes from Gift Aid refunds**. If you are a taxpayer and are **not** already Gift Aiding your offerings, we would therefore urge you to **give this some serious thought**. Because we are a Registered Charity (No.233748) we are able to claim an additional 25p back from the government for every £1 donated to the Church. **The conditions are simple:** you need to be a tax-payer, and pay sufficient tax. It is **quick and easy** to implement (just sign a Gift Aid form and we will do the rest), and it is **totally confidential** (we do not need or receive any details of your earnings). Best of all, **it does not cost you a penny** – it all comes from the tax man from the tax you have already paid. Note, **you can cease to Gift Aid at any time** (just let us know). If you would like to join up, or wish to know more, please ask to be put in touch with our co-ordinator, **A big thank you** to all those who already Gift Aid their offerings.



SCARBOROUGH CATHOLIC PARISHES

ST PETER'S, ST JOSEPH'S & ST EDWARD'S

Parish Priest: Canon Eddie Gubbins (St Peter's) Assistant Priest: Fr Albert Schembri (St Joseph's)

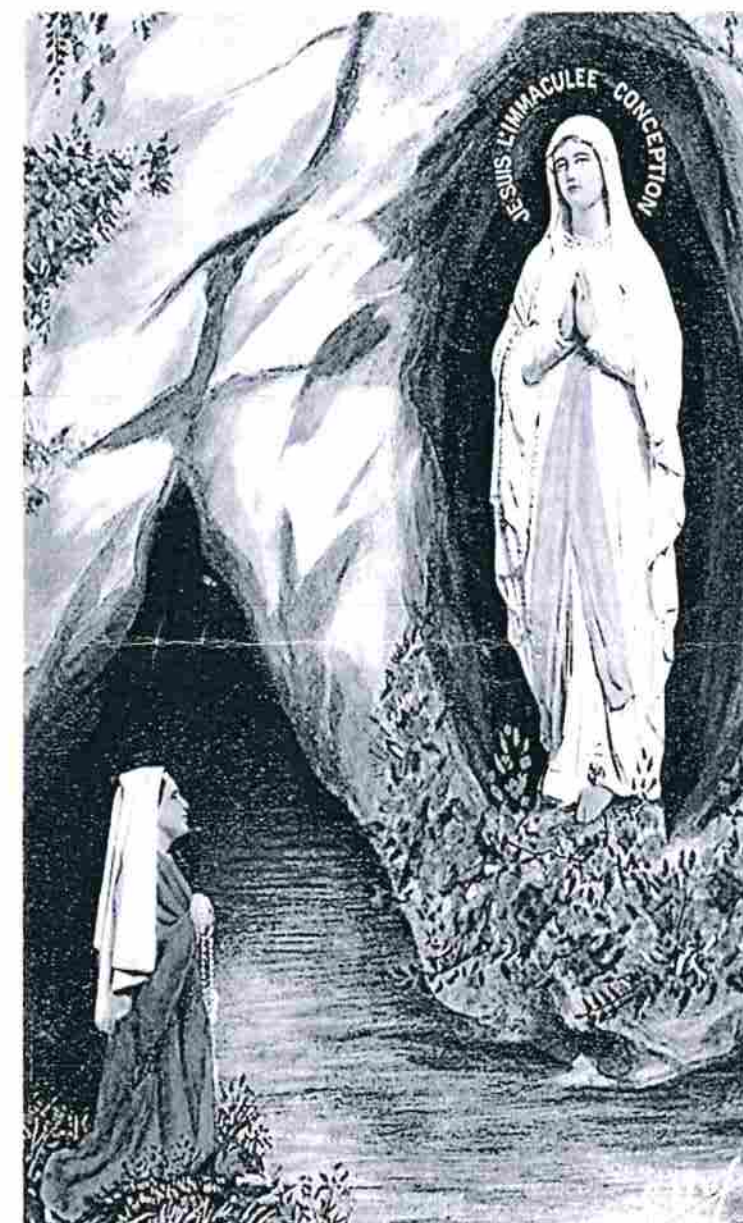
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**WEEK COMMENCING 12 FEBRUARY 2017
SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME – Year A**

**Divine Office Week 2
Racial Justice Day**

A BRIEF HISTORY/ACCOUNT OF LOURDES

- Bernadette was 14 years of age when Our Lady appeared to her. She died aged 35 years.
- Bernadette died in 1879. Her body lies in a glass coffin in the convent at Nevers.
- Bernadette was canonised in 1933 by Pope Pius XI
- There were 18 Apparitions beginning 11 February 1858 until July 1858, when she went looking for firewood.
- The Grotto was opened to the public for the first time on the order of Emperor Louis Napoloeaon III on 5 October 1858.
- The Grotto was up until then a dirty, hidden, damp and cold place (God and Mary can join us in the dirt and mess and poverty of our lives).
- First a small wooden statue was placed in the crevice surrounded by artificial flowers.
- Behind the Grotto pure water appeared on 25 February 1858. This was a shelter for pigs before that. Since then it has continued to flow, and supplies the grotto.
- The shrine welcomes over 6 million pilgrims from all over the world each year from 1 April to 31 October.
- On the day of the 16th Apparition Our Lady revealed herself as **"The Immaculate Conception"**.
- Our Lady's message to Bernatte: **"Pray and do Penance for the conversion of the world"**.
- The film, *The Song of Bernadette* won an academy award.
- Make a **virtual visit** to Lourdes at <http://en.lourdes-france.org/tv-lourdes/>
- The first Middlesbrough Diocesan Pilgrimage was in 1953
- The average cost of this year's Pilgrimage by plane is £695
- 1500 is the average number of pilgrims from Middlesbrough each year.



THE SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING AND HEALING

(One of the 7 Sacraments - Commonly called Extreme Unction)

This Sacrament in the past was most commonly administered to the dying for the remission of sins, spiritual strength and recovery of physical health. In modern times, since 1972, it has been expanded to all who are gravely ill or about to undergo a serious operation (unction means anointing with oil). Christ sent out His disciples to **"cast out many devils and anoint with oil in the name of the Lord"** (Mark 6:13). Also, in the Letter to St James (5:14-15) we read **"Is there anyone sick among you? Let him bring in the priest of the church and let him pray over them, anointing with oil in the name of the Lord"**