

# SCARBOROUGH CATHOLIC PARISHES



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WEEK COMMENCING 6 SEPTEMBER 2020 - YEAR A

DIVINE OFFICE: Week 3

23RD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



*Nativity of Our Lady by Bartolomé Esteban Murillo (1661)*

## FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY – TUESDAY 8 SEPTEMBER

This image of the **Nativity of Our Lady** by Spanish artist Bartolomé Esteban Murillo (1617-1682) was painted for the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception in Seville Cathedral. The image clearly illustrates the holiness of Mary's state at birth, being free from original sin from the moment of her conception. To the **left** of the image Mary's mother, St Anne, rests after giving birth with her husband, St Joachim by her side, while a midwife tends to the newly born Mary in the **centre** of the image, and Andalusian peasant helpers and angelic beings look on in wonder. This work and another by the same artist, the Immaculate Conception, were looted by French troops. It now hangs in the Louvre in Paris.

**The Blessed Virgin Mary** occupied a unique role in the history of salvation. It was through her generous "fiat" (*Be it done to me according to thy Word*), that God's plan of salvation was fulfilled, and His Son, Our Lord Jesus, was made flesh and came into the world. Mary was prepared for this mission, the highest ever extolled by God upon one of his creatures, through her Immaculate Conception, and it is for this reason, heaven and earth rejoice at the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Sacred Scripture does **not** give an account of Mary's birth. However, the early 2nd century **Protoevangelium of James** records that St Joachim (believed to be a wealthy member of the Twelve Tribes of Israel) and St Anne were grieved by their barrenness and prayed to God for a child. Their prayers were granted, but with the promise that the child would commence God's plan of salvation. The Protoevangelium of James is not canonical, but provides a source for the development of Christian piety.

Today's Feast possibly **originated in Syria or Palestine** in the beginning of **the 6th century**. After the Council of Ephesus in **AD431**, devotion to the Mother of God was greatly intensified, especially in Syria. A September birth was probably chosen because the Eastern Church begins its Church year in September. The date of 8th helped determine the date for the feast of the Immaculate Conception on 8 December.

**Celebrating the birthday of Our Mother: Display** and image of Our Lady **in your home**, and **light a candle**. Give her a gift of **some flowers** and some words of love and affection. Join the Legion of Mary at St Peter's Grotto at **12.30pm on Tuesday 8 September** to pray the Rosary. Let us be close to her and call upon her help and ask her to pray for us, that we may be united with her Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ. Let us thank God for giving us the Blessed Virgin Mary as the Mother of Our Lord Jesus Christ and as our mother, and thank Our Lady for her selfless, generous love and self-giving in carrying out God's Will, thereby cooperating in the redemption of the human race.

*Let us celebrate with joy the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
for from her arose the sun of justice, Christ our God.*

(entrance Antiphon for the Feast Day)

**MASS TIMES WEEK COMMENCING 6 SEPTEMBER 2020 23RD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

<b>SATURDAY VIGIL</b>	5	<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>St Peter's (LIVE STREAM)</b>	
<b>SUNDAY</b>	6	<b>9.30am 11.30am</b>	<b>St Peter's *POLISH* St Peter's (LIVE STREAM)</b>	
Monday	7		<i>NO MASS</i>	
Tuesday	8	<b>11.30am 7pm</b>	<b>St Peter's (LIVE STREAM) St Edward's</b>	<i>NATIVITY OF OUR LADY</i> <b>Requiem Mass</b>
Wednesday	9	10am	St Peter's (LIVE STREAM)	<i>St Peter Claver</i>
Thursday	10	10am	<b>St Joseph's</b>	
Friday	11	10am	<b>St Joseph's</b>	
Saturday	12	10am	St Peter's (LIVE STREAM)	<i>Most Holy Name of Mary</i>

**CONFESSIONS AT ST PETERS** available at **side altar** on **Saturday mornings after Mass until 11am** or by request  
**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT/PRIVATE PRAYER 30 minutes** before each weekday Mass, except Mondays

**STREAMED MASSES IN OUR DIOCESE:** <https://middlesbrough-diocese.org.uk/streamed-masses-in-our-diocese-2/>  
**MASS BY TELEPHONE** Fr Cunnah: **Sundays & Holy Days at noon.** Phone 01642 130120 (*Remains available after*)  
**SIGNED MASS for the Deaf: 10.30am Sundays** from Cardiff [www.sphilpevans.co.uk/f.k/signed-mass](http://www.sphilpevans.co.uk/f.k/signed-mass) and **6pm Saturday Vigil** - from Potters Bar: [churchservices.tv/pottersbar](http://churchservices.tv/pottersbar)

**READINGS AT MASS & Daily Prayer of the Church:** Links for these are available on our website & in porch.  
**POPE'S SEPTEMBER PRAYER INT:** *that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner*  
**OUR LADY'S GROTTO** at St Peter's church is **open every day** to light a **free candle**.

† **RECENTLY DEAD** Brian Richardson, Richard (Ricky) Thompson, Derek Needham  
 † **ANNIVS MASSES RECEIVED FROM** Eyre, Joseph, Staunton, Cranston x2, De Pacido  
**MASS COUNT** last weekend: Sat 5.30pm **40**; Sun 9.30am (Polish) **70**; Sun 11.30am **98**; **Total 208**; weekday average **18**  
**OFFERINGS:** Loose plate **£340** Gift Aid Envelopes **£447** average weekly Standing Orders **£614**; total **£1,401. Thank you.**  
**PLANNED GIVING** To sign up for *Offertory Envelope or Standing Order giving*, contact the parish office

**FUNERALS, WEDDINGS AND BAPTISMS** Contact Father Gubbins for guidance.  
**REQUIEM MASS** of Richard (Ricky) Thompson: 11.30am Tues 8 Sept at St Peter's. If you wish to attend, **phone Catherine Thompson (07837 715279)** to add your name to the Test & Trace list.  
**WEEKLY NEWSLETTER** available from any of our 3 churches in plastic box outside.  
**POPE FRANCIS** calls us all to pray and fast for the peoples of Lebanon.  
**POPE BENEDICT XVI** on Friday 4 Sept became the longest living Pope, surpassing the 93 years & 140 days age of Pope Leo XIII when he died in 1903.  
**ROSARY ON THE FEAST OF NATIVITY OF OUR LADY** at the Grotto at St Peter's **12.30pm(ish) on Tuesday 8 September**, led by the **Legion of Mary** members.  
**CATECHISTS' MEETING** Wed 9 Sept after Mass inside St Peter's Church (1st Comm).  
**CANON MICHAEL RYAN** will be covering Scarborough parishes while Fr Gubbins is on holiday. He will be living at St Peters Presbytery. He arrives on **Thurs 10 Sept**.  
**NEW SCHOOL YEAR** begins this week. We keep staff and pupils in our prayers.  
**SUNDAY MASS AT ST JOSEPH'S** will resume **9.30am Sunday 4 October** onwards. There is capacity for around **80** people with social distancing measures.  
**BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE** Names now being taken. (**£10 donation**) DOB/DOD  
**CANDLES: 2 hour & 7-day votive candles** now permitted (**use your own lighter**).  
**FUNERAL OF BRIAN RICHARDSON (84yrs)** last Friday at St Josephs was a fitting farewell to a beloved parishioner. He was very well respected and loved by the community. There was a real sense of mourning yet hope as we laid him to rest after the prayerful Requiem.

**BILL MURRAY** REST IN PEACE Many thanks for all your prayers & support.  
 Maura, Declan, Michael and Families

**ATTENDING MASS**

- **No need to 'book'** in advance
- Give your name to steward on arrival
- Adults attending for the first time **must fill in a Test & Trace form**
- Face coverings are now **mandatory by law** (with exemptions)
- Meeting rooms remain closed

**TEST & TRACE** We are obliged to comply with Government Test & Trace, which states we must keep a record of **full names and contact details** of everyone attending church. Your details will be used only by the NHS in the event of an outbreak. Forms are kept for 21 days from the date of the last Mass attended, after which time they will be destroyed.

**REMEMBER TO PRACTICE SAFE DISTANCING & SANITISE HANDS**

**SUNDAY OBLIGATION** is still suspended until further notice. Consider coming to Mass during the week instead, when there are fewer people.

**PILGRIMAGE of reparation & prayer for sanctity of life 27 Sept** via Walsingham live stream. Devotions through the day & **Mass 12 noon:** <https://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream/>  
**VIRTUAL DIOCESAN WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE 3-4 October.** Details to follow. As Mary visited her cousin Elizabeth so she is visiting us - **Walsingham is coming to our homes!**  
**MOUNT GRACE LADY CHAPEL**, Osmotherley, will reopen for Masses every **Saturday only at 3pm from 12 September**. The chapel will seat 10, with further room for up to 15 in the barn area. No booking is required.  
**HOUSEBOUND** If you **think it safe** and wish Fr Gubbins/Canon Ryan to call, get in touch. Visits abide by COVID-19 safety guidance.  
**TOILETS** now open, but **each person must sanitise** after themselves each use. Be aware that you use the toilets at your own risk