



# SCARBOROUGH CATHOLIC PARISHES



## CHURCHES OF ST PETER, ST JOSEPH, ST EDWARD THE CONFESSOR

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**WEEK COMMENCING 7 FEBRUARY 2020 – YEAR B**

*Thursday: World Day of Prayer for the Sick*

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

*Monday - Day of Prayer for Victims of Human Trafficking*



### THE DECREE OF POPE PIUS IX THAT DECLARED ST JOSEPH PATRON OF THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH: *QUEMADMODUM DEUS*

On **8 December 1870**, The Sacred Congregation of Rites promulgated the following decree, which communicated the decision of Pope Pius IX to declare **St Joseph Patron of the Universal Church**, and which also raised **St Joseph's Feast of March 19** to the rank of double of the first class. It was on this date, 8 December, that **Pope Francis** wrote a letter to all the faithful to **commemorate the 150th anniversary** of the proclamation of St Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. It is called *Patris Corde* or in English, *With a Father's Heart*.

*As Almighty God appointed Joseph, son of the patriarch Jacob, over all the land of Egypt to save grain for the people, so when the fullness of time had come and He was about to send to earth His only-begotten Son, the Saviour of the world, He chose another Joseph, of whom the first had been the type, and He made him the lord and chief of His household and possessions, the guardian of His choicest treasures.*

*Indeed, he had as his spouse the Immaculate Virgin Mary, of whom was born by the Holy Spirit, Jesus Christ our Lord, who deigned to be reputed in the sight of men as the son of Joseph, and was subject to him.*

*Him whom countless kings and prophets had desired to see, Joseph not only saw but conversed with, and embraced in paternal affection, and kissed. He most diligently reared Him whom the faithful were to receive as the bread that came down from heaven, whereby they might obtain eternal life.*

*Because of this sublime dignity which God conferred on his most faithful servant, the Church has always most highly honoured and praised blessed Joseph next to his spouse, the Virgin Mother of God, and has besought his intercession in times of trouble.*

*And now therefore, when in these most troublesome times the Church is beset by enemies on every side, and is weighed down by calamities so heavy, that ungodly men assert that the gates of hell have at length prevailed against her, the venerable prelates of the whole Catholic world have presented to the Sovereign Pontiff their own petitions and those of the faithful committed to their charge, praying that he would deign to constitute St Joseph Patron of the Church. And this time, their prayer and desire were renewed by them even more earnestly at the Sacred Ecumenical Council of the Vatican.*

*Accordingly, it has now pleased our Most Holy Sovereign, **Pope Pius IX**, in order to entrust himself and all the faithful to the Patriarch St Joseph's most powerful patronage, has chosen to comply with the prelates' desire and has solemnly declared him Patron of the Catholic Church.*

*He has also ordered that his feast on **March 19th** by henceforth celebrated as a double of the first class, without any Octave, however, because of Lent. He arranged, moreover, that a declaration to this effect be promulgated through the present decree of The Sacred Congregation of Rites on this day sacred to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God, the most chaste Joseph's Spouse. All things to the contrary notwithstanding.*

#### **Useful websites:**

Patris Corde: Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter, With a Father's Heart: [www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost\\_letters/documents/papa-francesco-lettera-ap\\_20201208\\_patris-corde.html](http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_letters/documents/papa-francesco-lettera-ap_20201208_patris-corde.html)

Bishop Draine's letter on the Year of St Joseph: [www.middlesbrough-diocese.org.uk/year-of-saint-joseph/?fbclid=IwAR0pMcXFu7zw3i5uQ8tTVW0pn-BRiFpQJNsbxb3oJytpvbVsmGZgonTxqhM](http://www.middlesbrough-diocese.org.uk/year-of-saint-joseph/?fbclid=IwAR0pMcXFu7zw3i5uQ8tTVW0pn-BRiFpQJNsbxb3oJytpvbVsmGZgonTxqhM)

Useful resources from the Diocese of Charlotte, North Carolina: <https://yearofstjoseph.org/>

#### **Iconography of St Joseph:**

Joseph is patron of many dioceses, churches and other religious sites. Several venerated images of Saint Joseph have been granted a decree of canonical coronation by a Pope. In popular religious iconography he is often associated with lilies or a spikenard.

**Spikenard / floral staff** - an apocryphal tradition says Joseph was chosen from several candidates as Mary's spouse by a miraculous sign: his staff blossomed (some say a dove flew from it or landed on it too). The spikenard is included in Pope Francis' coat of arms.

**White lilies** - Joseph's staff is often shown blooming white lilies - as Mary remained a virgin, this is a sign of Joseph's continued chastity.

**Carpenter's tools** - refer to Joseph's occupation as a carpenter. It was common for a father to teach his son his trade.

**2 turtle doves** - refers to the sacrificial offering of Joseph and Mary, when they presented their firstborn son, Jesus, at the temple.

**Sleeping Joseph** - while asleep, St Joseph received messages from God, who warned him about the danger posed by King Herod and entrusted him with loving and protecting Mary and the Baby Jesus. Pope Francis has a particular devotion, placing petitions under a statue of the Sleeping Joseph. Joseph is a truly special saint, who protects and helps us even while he sleeps!

**Why not explore** different ways St Joseph is portrayed in art at <https://yearofstjoseph.org/devotions/sacred-artwork/>

Saturday Vigil	6	5.30pm	St Peter's (LIVE STREAM)	
Sunday	7	9.30am	St Joseph's	For Mass intentions see printed copy
		9.30am	St Peter's (Polish)	
		11.30am	St Peter's (LIVE STREAM)	
Monday	8	7pm	St Peter's (LIVE STREAM)	St Jerome Emiliani / St Josephine Bakhita
Tuesday	9	12 noon	St Edward's	
Wednesday	10	10am	St Peter's (LIVE STREAM)	St Scholastica
Thursday	11	10am	St Joseph's	Our Lady of Lourdes
		12 noon	St Peter's (LIVE STREAM)	
Friday	12	10am	St Peter's (LIVE STREAM)	
Saturday	13	10am	St Peter's (LIVE STREAM)	

**SYRO MALABAR MASS** No Masses until after National Lockdown has ended

**CONFESSIONS 10.30am to 11am Saturdays** at St Peter's; **8.45am to 9.15am Sundays** at St Joseph's

**ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT 30 minutes** before each *weekday* Mass

**STREAMED MASSES IN OUR PARISH** <https://www.scarboroughcatholicparishes.org.uk/> click link at right of screen

**READINGS AT MASS & Daily Prayer of the Church: QR Code** Links are available on our website & in church porches

**POPE'S FEBRUARY PRAYER INTENTION:** *for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded*

**OUR LADY'S SHRINE** at St Peter's church is **open every day** (gate closed but unlocked - down steps. see the new sign on wall)

**ANNIVS** Tess & Tommy McCarthy, Ben Stankaitis, John Walsh, Ronald Eyland, Danny Francis, Trevor Grindley

**RECENTLY DEAD:** Audrey Izzard, Sheila Coupland, Benilda Bacasmas, Fr Peter Egan (retired in Hull), Fr Clive Birch (Marist)

**MASSES RECEIVED FROM:** see printed copy

**ATTENDANCE** St Peter's Vigil **23**; St Joseph's 9.30am **52**; Polish **52**; St Peter's 11.30am **65**; **Total 192** Av. weekday **20**

**OFFERINGS** Loose plate **£514**; Gift Aid envelopes **£317**; Polish **£30**; Av. Standing Orders **£614**; Total **£1,475**

**PLANNED GIVING** To sign up for *Offertory Envelope or Standing Order giving*, contact parish office

**QUOTES FOR YEAR OF ST JOSEPH:** *"St Joseph did not do extraordinary things, but rather by the constant practice of ordinary and common virtues, he attained that sanctity which elevates him above all the other saints."* St Joseph Marella

**MONTHLY THEMES: FEBRUARY** *Joseph, Most Chaste*

**REQUIEM MASS for Audrey Izzard: 12 noon Thurs 11 Feb** at St Peter's. Room for 15 parishioners. Contact the parish office.

**REQUIEM MASS for Sheila Coupland: 2pm Tues 16 Feb** at St Peter's. Room for 20 parishioners. Contact the parish office.

**1ST CONFESSION/HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION** Preparation for these Sacraments is deferred until lockdown restrictions are lifted. **BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS** are suspended during lockdown (except in emergency).

**ASH WEDNESDAY 17 February** beginning of Lent. Time to start giving some thought to our Lenten practices (Easter Sunday 4 April)

**FREE LENT EXTRA & WALK WITH ME** Lenten reflection booklets available at all our churches - spiritual aids to guide us through our Lenten journey. Do remember to collect a copy.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY ON FACEBOOK** 4-minute video for children and parents: **Sunday weekly** - visit our parish Facebook page.

**DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING Monday 8 February**, Feast of St Josephine Bakhita

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SICK Thur 11 Feb:** Feast of our lady of Lourdes. *Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us.*

**KEEP SUNDAY HOLY** is the constant call to all of us, whether being present at one of our weekend Masses or by joining on livestream. Try to offer a few extra prayers at home with your loved ones.

**YEAR OF ST JOSEPH** In times of great suffering of the church & world, the faithful have always turned to St Joseph with great confidence. He is a wonder-worker. Like St Joseph, we too experience moments of difficulty. He is there to guard, enlighten and protect.

**ST PETER'S SCHOOL GOVERNORS MEETING 4.15pm Tuesday 9 February** by Google Meet.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS & SVP MEMBERS** make occasional phone calls to your designated housebound please. It is important that they are remembered by our faith community.

**CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY Friday 26 February.** Envelopes available next week, or give online. **CAFOD WALK FOR WATER CHALLENGE** Challenge yourself to walk **10,000 steps every for 40 days** this Lent for CAFOD and get sponsorship.

On the Fast Day envelope is Abdul aged 8years. He walks 10 hours every day for water. We are called to walk alongside him this Lent. **Set up a sponsorship page at [walkcafod.org.uk](http://walkcafod.org.uk)**

**REMEMBER - HANDS, FACE, SPACE** Please cooperate with our Stewards. If you are ill, vulnerable or anxious, stay at home and shield.

**REMINDER FOR READERS** wear a mask & protective gloves (remove mask to read).

**MASS INTENTIONS** Please note we have a long list of Masses to be said. Please be patient if you haven't seen yours yet. Also, we often receive 2 or more requests for the same date – the first received will be the first one offered. You are strongly advised to give an alternative date, to help avoid disappointment.



**DAY OF PRAYER FOR VICTMS OF TRAFFICKING**

**Monday 8 February** and for those who work to combat it, is observed by the Catholic Church on the Feast of **St Josephine Bakhita**. The Day of Prayer is an opportunity for people to remember and pray for the thousands and thousands of victims of trafficking throughout the world, and for those who work to combat this form of slavery in the modern world. St Josephine Bakhita (1869-1947) was born in Sudan and kidnapped as a child by Arab slave traders, suffered horrific abuse under several masters, before ending up in Italy. Here, she was eventually placed in the custody of the Canossian Sisters in Venice, where she came to know and love God.

