

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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"If we let **CHRIST** into our lives, we lose nothing, nothing, absolutely nothing of what makes life free, beautiful, and great. No! Only in this friendship are the doors of life opened wide. Only in this friendship is the great potential of human existence truly revealed. " J.R.

Mass Times, Intentions & Feasts w/c Sunday 22nd March, 2020

Sun 22 9.00am People of the Parish

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT "LAETARE"

**LIVE STREAMING OF HOLY MASS 6PM SATURDAY, 11AM SUNDAY,
9.30AM MONDAY TO FRIDAY FROM ST EDWARD'S CHURCH, CLIFFORD**

www.stedwardsclifford.co.uk

Sun 29 9.00am People of the Parish

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

CONFESSIONS Saturday at 4.30pm,
& also upon request

Please pray for those who are sick especially **Neil Dunbar, Mary O'Reilly, Anne Raines, Irene & John Smith, Peggy Thompson, Tony Lyons & Margaret Scrubbs.**

Of your charity pray for those who have recently died especially **Christopher John Wainwright, Douglas Comish and Peter Churley** and for all whose Anniversaries occur at this time. especially **Canon Bill Daly** and **Brian Murphy.**

LAETARE / MOTHERING SUNDAY

"Rejoice, Jerusalem! Be glad for her, you who love her; rejoice with her, you who mourned for her, and you will find contentment at her consoling breasts." This Sunday is known as **Laetare Sunday** and is a Sunday of joy. Lent is half over, and Easter is enticingly near. The Church's liturgy invites us to retrace one of the fundamental dynamics of our baptismal re-birth through the Gospel account of the healing of the 'man born blind'. It is the passage from the darkness of sin and error to the Light of God, who is the Risen Christ. This Sunday is called "Laetare Sunday" since its mood and theme is one of hope and rejoicing that Easter is near.

**HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY—joy to all mothers
through the prayers of Our Heavenly Mother, Mary!**

2019 TOTAL for ST JOSEPH'S RED MISSION BOXES £403.00
Special thanks to Mary Lowther for collecting, counting and also co-ordinating our ongoing parish commitment to **Missio.**

THE ST EDWARD'S PARISH SVP is ready to help any person isolated and in need due to the **COVID-19 Pandemic**
Please use **Fr John Newman** as a contact.

**Last Sunday's Collection £400.50
(inc. £68 weekly S. Orders) Thank you**

**Last weekend's Lenten Sacrificial Offering
for the work of the SVP realised £129.24**

Mass times at St Joseph's will be as usual every Sunday; but **without** a congregation during the Pandemic. Live web-streaming of 9.30am Daily Mass will be available via Clifford, St Edward's. Both churches will NOT be locked during Holy Mass. St Joseph's Church, Tadcaster will **EXTEND** opening hours and will now be 24/7 open for visits to The Blessed Sacrament.

Please observe social distancing.

Hand sanitisation facilities are available at church.

Please consult the church website for further updates and also to download the parish bulletin
www.stjosephstadcaster.org.uk

Please also consult the Leeds Diocesan Website for a whole wealth of prayers and information which you may download.
www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk

www.behold2020.com

THE RENEWED DEDICATION OF ENGLAND AS THE DOWRY OF MARY

In 1381, England was dedicated to Mary by King Richard II and was 'set apart for her among the nations.'

This year, the Christians of England are called to make a personal dedication to Mary, taking up her example as Christ's first disciple.

History shows us that when the people pray a surrender to God's will for their lives, society is transformed.

By taking up this personal dedication in 2020, you can be a part of the renewal of this nation, drawing ourselves closer to the will of our loving God, through Mary.

Thursday 26th to Saturday 28th March Three-days of prayer in which all will be invited to recite the **Litany of the Saints and Martyrs of England** and to pray the **Rosary.**

Sunday 29th March 2020 Renewed Dedication of England as the Dowry of Mary

This will happen in Walsingham, in every Catholic Cathedral, in every parish and in as many homes as possible.

At St Joseph's, Tadcaster at the 9am Holy Mass

For more information about the background to the re-dedication of England as Mary's Dowry, please visit:

www.behold2020.com

www.dowrytour.org.uk