The Parish of Saint Joseph, Stokesley

Saint Joseph's Catholic Church, Stokesley

Saint Mary the Virgin Roman Catholic Chapel, Crathorne

Saint Margaret Clitherow Catholic Church, Great Ayton

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THE WEEK AHEAD

Saturday 7th November	5.30pm Vigil Mass Saint Margaret's	*People of the Parish* **THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDIARY TIME**
Sunday 8th November	8.00am Mass Saint Mary's	*Delia Terry (LD)* **THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDIARY TIME**
	12noon Requiem Mass Saint Joseph's	*The War Dead (RIP)* **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**
Monday 9th November	9.15am Mass Saint Joseph's	*Month of the Holy Souls: November Dead List (RIP)* THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA
Tuesday 10th November	9.15am Mass Saint Joseph's	*Month of the Holy Souls: November Dead List (RIP)* S Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor
Wednesday 11th November	12noon Mass Saint Joseph's	*Month of the Holy Souls: November Dead List (RIP)* S Martin of Tours, Bishop
Thursday 12th November		S Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr
Friday 13th November	6.00pm Mass Saint Joseph's	*Month of the Holy Souls: November Dead List (RIP)* Feria
Saturday 14th November	9.15am Mass Saint Joseph's	*Month of the Holy Souls: November Dead List (RIP)* Votive Mass of Our Lady
	5.30pm Vigil Mass Saint Margaret's	*Jose Luis (LD)* **THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDIARY TIME**
Sunday 15th November	9.00am Mass Saint Mary's	*People of the Parish* **THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDIARY TIME**
	11:00 Mass Saint Joseph's	*Month of the Holy Souls: November Dead List (RIP)* **THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDIARY TIME**

Please pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently and for their dear families:

+ Requiescat in Pace +

A **warm welcome** if you are a visitor to the parish or if you have moved into the area, please introduce yourself to Fr Timothy at the end of Mass.

Any **safeguarding** concerns can be confidentially conveyed via e-mail to the Parish Representatives: psrstjosephandmargaretclitherow@rcdmidd.org.uk

If any parishioner would like to request a **visit** from Fr Timothy for any reason, please make contact via e-mail or by telephone in the first instance.

Hambleton Food Bank welcomes donations of non-perishable (please leave in the church porches.)

Please contact Ken Harrison regarding enquiries or bookings at Saint Margaret's or Saint Joseph's **church halls** on 07808 877191.

If you would like to have a **Mass offered**, please give your offering envelope to Fr Timothy and make your requests known well in advance please. We receive very few requests for midweek Masses, thank you.

After due consultation, from 15th November the 10:30 **Sunday Mass** at Saint Joseph's will now commence at 11:00, followed by coffee, thank you.

Confessions are heard ordinarily each Saturday at Saint Joseph's after the 9.15am Mass and at 5.00pm at Saint Margaret's at, or may be arranged by contacting Fr Timothy directly please, thank you.

Any adults wishing to become Catholics (RCIA) or any parents seeking **First Sacraments** for their children please see Fr Timothy, thank you.

Logos will meet on Wednesday, 2nd December from 10:30 – 11:45 in Saint Joseph's Hall where we shall reflect on the subject of anger with the aid of refreshments, good company and informed debate.

Please kindly take the newly formatted weekly **newsletters** home and reflect on the Sunday lectionary and the reflections offered, thank you.

Any **loose change** may be left in bowls in all churches and will help pay for school meals for asylum seeker children at Sacred Heart School.

Prof Luca Settimo encourages us to read 'Biblical notion of faith' : https://middlesbrough-diocese.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/Amended-final-file.pdf & https://youtu.be/M7R3ig4Wx5g

Fundraising **jewellery sale** at Saint Mary's after Mass, 15th and 22nd November – Mike Toogood will sell fundraising craft jewellery, which includes crucifixes, Saint Christopher medallions, silver chains etc. Proceeds to be donated to the Parish.

Save the date! **Parish Nativity Play** and **Christingle** followed by seasonal refreshments, raffle, stalls and entertainment on Sunday, 20th December at 4.00pm at Saint Joseph's, Stokesley. All children wishing to participate in the Nativity Play please attend a short meeting after the 11:00 Mass on 15th November.

Parish **Christmas cards** are now on sale, £5 for 10.

Please scan the QR code to make a donation to your parish or kindly click here: https://donate.mydona.com/st-josephs-stokesley

The other day I was walking with my beloved hound over near Swainby – the late Sunday afternoon sunlight was so striking, so much so, that we stopped for a breathtaking moment, silently delighting in the vista before us. The countryside on our doorstop is utterly fantastic, and it makes us (or should make us!) stop in our tracks and give thanks to God for the beauty of His manifold creation. In 1964, Simon & Garfunkel released 'The Sound of Silence', a foreboding reflection following the assassination of President Kennedy capturing humanity's inability to communicate with one another on a deep, emotional level. At 11:00 on Remembrance Sunday and 11:00 on Armistice Day we shall fall silent to commemorate those service men and women who never returned home to their loved ones. The poignant hymn 'Dear Lord and Father of Mankind,' set to the tune Repton, is often sung on Remembrance Sunday, and speaks of the 'silence of eternity' and the 'still, small voice of calm.' Such hymns call us to be still and seek peace, a peace which only God can give and which passes all human understanding. As we stand in silence in the coming days, let us renew our desire to live in peace with all people, especially those who are 'enemies', and let us pray for peace throughout the world.

All best wishes and in peace, Fr Timothy.