

# 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

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| Saturday<br>12 <sup>th</sup> September      | 5.30pm Vigil Mass<br>Saint Margaret's | <i>Dorothy Watt (LD)</i><br><b>TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>                     |
| <b>Sunday</b><br>13 <sup>th</sup> September | 9.00am Mass<br>Saint Mary's           | <i>DG (PI)</i><br><b>TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>                               |
|                                             | 10.30am Mass<br>Saint Joseph's        | <i>People of the Parish</i><br><b>TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>                  |
| Monday<br>14 <sup>th</sup> September        | 9.15am Mass<br>Saint Joseph's         | <i>(PI)(Sick)</i><br>THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS                                        |
| Tuesday<br>15 <sup>th</sup> September       | 9.15am Mass<br>Saint Joseph's         | <i>Thanksgiving (DF)(SI)</i><br>Our Lady of Sorrows                                          |
| Wednesday<br>16 <sup>th</sup> September     | 12noon Funeral<br>Saint Joseph's      | <i>Requiem Mass for Mrs Christine Lisle</i><br>Ss Cornelius, Pope & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs |
| Thursday<br>17 <sup>th</sup> September      |                                       | S Robert Bellarmine, Bishop & Doctor                                                         |
| Friday<br>18 <sup>th</sup> September        | 6.00pm Mass<br>Saint Joseph's         | <i>(DF)(SI)</i><br>Feria                                                                     |
| Saturday<br>19 <sup>th</sup> September      | 9.15am Mass<br>Saint Joseph's         | <i>Snowdon Family (PI)</i><br>S Theodore of Canterbury, Bishop                               |
|                                             | 5.30pm Vigil Mass<br>Saint Margaret's | <i>Geoffrey Humpleby (A)</i><br><b>TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>                  |
| <b>Sunday</b><br>20 <sup>th</sup> September | 9.00am Mass<br>Saint Mary's           | <i>People of the Parish</i><br><b>TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>                   |
|                                             | 10.30am Mass<br>Saint Joseph's        | <i>In Thanksgiving (SI)</i><br><b>TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>                   |

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

Christine Lisle, Michael Scott, Brian Thompson.  
+ *Requiescant 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 in the parish can be confidentially conveyed via e-mail to the Parish Safeguarding Representatives:  
[psrstjosephandmargaretclitherow@rcdmidd.org.uk](mailto:psrstjosephandmargaretclitherow@rcdmidd.org.uk)

Any **loose change** can be left in bowls in all churches and will be given directly to the Head Teacher at Sacred Heart School, Middlesbrough to pay for school meals for asylum seeker children.

**Mass cards** may be signed at the end of any Mass.

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

Please bring your red **Missio** boxes to any church porch during October. Last year our Parish generously donated £1,292.09 towards Missio. Missio ignites God's love by helping local missionaries to work alongside global communities which maybe poor or in need. Thank you.

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 food which may be left in the porches of any churches in the parish, 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.

Ken Harrison kindly looks after the **church halls** at Saint Margaret's and Saint Joseph's; any enquiries or bookings should be made by please telephoning Ken 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 if you wish to request a certain date or church - please be kind enough to write clearly and include a telephone number, thank you.

Please may all parishioners complete a new **parish census** form by October 1<sup>st</sup> 2026, and hand it in an envelope to Fr Timothy or post it through the Presbytery letterbox (available from the back of each church or kindly e-mail the completed form to [stjosephstokesley@rcdmidd.org.uk](mailto:stjosephstokesley@rcdmidd.org.uk)). Thank you.

**Luca Settimo** encourages us to read '**Biblical notion of Peace**' : [https://middlesbrough-diocese.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/06/Middlesbrough\\_June\\_26\\_APPROVED-1.pdf](https://middlesbrough-diocese.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/06/Middlesbrough_June_26_APPROVED-1.pdf) & <https://youtu.be/PW6RgiUgxRg>

Please kindly click:  
<https://donate.mydona.com/st-josephs-stokesley> or scan the QR code to make an online donation to the Parish, thank you.



*As the nights are drawing in September is very much a month where we start to feel summer is giving way to autumn – without realising it, our moods and outlooks change – even if it is showtime in Stokesley! Are the logs and coal in good supply? Has the boiler been serviced? Will we be ready for the gas and electricity bills? In the Gospel for this weekend we hear of references to patience and mercy – two key virtues in the life of the Faith. I well remember during the pandemic many people said that once the pandemic ended they would be kinder, gentler, more patient and generally 'better' people but in so many ways I personally think we've become worse, partly because of the frail effects of the pandemic; consider, observe the driving at the roundabouts in and around Stokesley or how we feel whilst we wait in the supermarket queue (or even the queue for Holy Communion) or how we talk to or message each other. Holy Scripture and the teaching of the Church remind us to be ever patient and merciful. As we move from the warmth of summer to the 'fall' of autumn let us be kind(er) to each other, please.*

*All best wishes and prayers for the coming week, God bless, Fr Timothy.*