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The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

28th of January 2024

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*Monsignor Dunne
Author of A Constant
People*

Bishop Thornton

Fr Chris will be saying Masses this week

Sunday 28th January 09.30am

(St Thomas Aquinas)

Thursday 1st February 12.15pm

Pateley Bridge

Fr Chris will be saying these Masses

Sunday 28th January 11.15am

(St Thomas Aquinas)

Wednesday 31st January 9.30 am

(St John Bosco)

Saturday 3rd February 10.00 am

(St Blase)

Vigil 06.30 pm

Carmel Masses

Monday 29th January 8.15am

Tuesday 30th January 10.30 am

Friday 2nd February 10.30 am

(The Presentation of the Lord)

Markenfield Hall

No public services until further notice.

If any parishioner is ill and would appreciate the sacraments and a visit from a priest, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Cycle of Prayer Intentions

Victims of Human Trafficking

especially on feast of St Josephine Bakhita — 8 February

Background

St Josephine Bakhita is the Sudanese Saint who at the age of nine was kidnapped and sold into slavery. She suffered terribly at the hands of her kidnappers so much so that she forgot her birth name. Her kidnappers gave her the name 'Bakhita' which means 'Fortunate'.

Prayer

O God, who led Saint Josephine Bakhita from abject slavery

to the dignity of being your daughter and a bride of Christ,

grant, we pray, that by her example

we may show constant love

for the Lord Jesus crucified,

remaining steadfast in charity

and prompt to show compassion..

Roman Missal

Prayer of the Faithful

one of the following may be used or adapted according to local needs

For all who are victims of human trafficking, may they know wholeness and safety.

For all who work with victims of human trafficking, may they be agents of mercy and seekers of justice.

LEEDS CATHEDRAL

To participate online, please access the following YouTube channel which, will be live each Sunday until further notice

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SfK7qn3NzFs>

Youtube Service from St Anne's

<https://universalis.com/20240128/mass.htm>

The Readings and Gospel for today

Gospel Mark 1:21 -28

'Unlike the scribes, he taught them with authority'

A message from Fr Christopher.

A Spiritual thought for this week.

What matters in life, is that minds and hearts should be involved in the search for God, where the seeking and the finding go hand in hand. It is the process of getting to know God, and learning to love Him. It is intimacy with Him that we seek. We try to go beyond every experience of knowledge and love, which we have now, to another experience, which is beyond our grasp but not entirely out of reach.

From Basil in Blunderland
By Cardinal Basil Hume OSB

Jack Willis & Doreen Crack RIP.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of my father **Jack Willis's** and Doreen Crack, who's Requiem Masses were held on Friday & Thursday 12th & 11th of January respectively..

Canon Christopher

Today we welcome Canon Chris back from what we hope was a relaxing Irish holiday with mighty Craic.



Bobbie Mellor, Hatty Carder and Katherine Antrobus completed a 3,000-mile rowing race across the Atlantic ocean in 40 days, 10 hours and

See over for more news items.

Anniversaries

*Margaret Thompson, John Forkam,
Charles Dennis Durrant, Mary Johnson,
Mary Agnes Dean, Stephen Webster, Edward O'Hara.*

*Monsignor John T. Dunne
Parish Priest of St Joseph's & Author of Constant People*

Recently Deceased

Doreen Crack 30/12/23

Jack Willis 18/12/23 (Fr Chris's Father)

Tony Flanagan 29/11/2023

George Anderson (Father in Law of Fr Chris's Sister's) Oct 2023

Robert Antram – 08 2023

Prayers are asked for the **Baines family** following the sudden passing of **Chris' older brother Phil** who passed away last Friday (19.01.2024) at home. Phil had sadly been battling a condition called ATAXIA for some years which he finally succumbed to. May he Rest In Peace.

Sick

*John Crowther, Pat & Michael Hobbs,
Christopher Browne, Marjorie Hassett,
Fr Jim Leavy, Teresa Smith, Pat Jackson,
Fr Eugene Mc Gillycuddy, Terry Gilbin,
Catherine Gilroy, Julian Brockway,
Isobel Dallas,*

100 Club Draw

The 7th Draw was made after Sunday's Mass on 7th Jan and the winner with ticket No 45 was Helen Jordan. Congrats on your win, which marks a long gap since fortune! Previously struck. The next draw will be on the 4th February.

Offertory Funding

We are grateful and encourage those who continue to donate by standing order with the parish and where possible Gift Aid it so that we might recover the income tax on that money donated.

Monthly Standing Orders £625.00

7th Jan £29.40 PMF £47.11 14th Jan £67.00

21st Jan £44.50

website-<https://www.stjosephsbishopthornton.co.uk/>

Female rowing trio raises more than £80,000 in record-breaking Atlantic race

Hatty Carder, Bobbie Mellor and Katherine Antrobus, better known as the WaveBreakers, rowed for 40 days across the Atlantic ocean.

Any news & information for the next bulletin, email: michaelhcoghlan@googlemail.com

THE WAVE BREAKERS SMASH THE RECORDS

A team named the fastest female trio to row across the **Atlantic** has raised more than £80,000 for charity.

Hatty Carder, Bobbie Mellor and Katherine Antrobus, known as the WaveBreakers, capsized and endured tumultuous weather to row across the Atlantic in 40 days, 10 hours and 51 minutes.

A Warm Welcome to New Friends from Ukraine

We have agreed to sponsor a new family from Ukraine to live in the Presbytery. Anna and her 2 daughters arrived from Ukraine and moved into the Presbytery before Christmass. Anna's husband Serghei is going to join her in a few weeks.

A HUGE THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING:

ANN, ROSEMARY, BRIDGET, LIZ, MARY, BARRY, MARGARET, MARY Atk' GEORGE & HENRY MARK, CLAUDIA, HELEN AND ALL THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

All above have helped, in either or, Cleaning. Laundering Vestments, Decorating and Arranging Flowers in the church. Serving at all the Masses, Keeping the Website up to date, Mowing & Caring for the Churchyard & Presbytery Garden. Reading at Services, Running the many Church Fund Raising Events plus so many other charitable works that make the Church run so smoothly.

NOT THE LEAST OUR WONDERFUL CANON CHRIS WHO HAS ENJOYED GREAT TRIBULATIONS AND SUFFERED SUCH TRIALS DURING THIS YEAR.

A prayer for Ukraine One Year On

Loving God, We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them. We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices. We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need. May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen

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Regards, Michelle Jones, Circulation Sales Manager

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