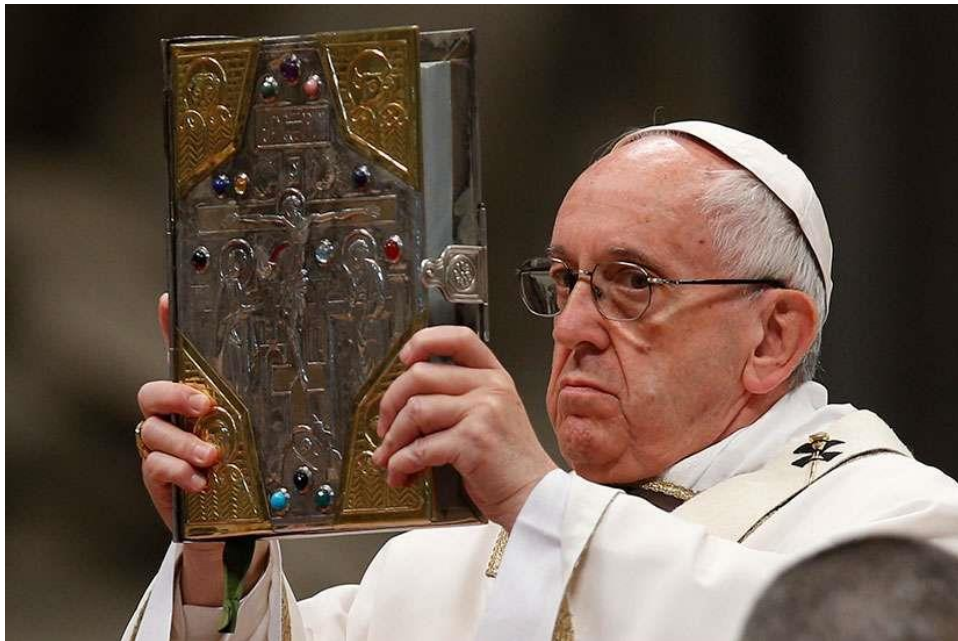


**The Parish of St Joseph &
The Parish of St Charles Borromeo
Sheffield**



The ordination of a deacon concludes with the presentation of the Book of the Gospels, the Word of Life and Love upon which life and ministry are to be based. From the gospels, Simon can draw inspiration to pray, to study and to preach, and the bishop will exhort him to 'Believe what you read, teach what you believe and practise what you teach.'

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

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Please remember in your prayers all the sick and housebound, especially: Jonathan Dempsey, Andy Mitchell, Leesa McManus, Eileen Valance, Marie Montgomery, John Carroll, Lol Hodges, Sheila Habershon, Freda Clarke, Rita & Vin Todd, Georgina Shirt, Maria Tarnowski, Elizabeth Barron, Margaret Bradley, Margaret Wainwright, Jimmy Cahill, Martin Humphreys, Eric Howsam, Susan De Couto, Jacqueline Wagland, Sr. Teresa Paschal, Tom Bryant. If you would like anyone included on this list, and the individual concerned or a family member has consented to it, simply write the person's name down and hand it to Fr McManus or to the Office.

We welcome any visitors with us today and **offer our congratulations and prayers to Simon Hegarty** on the occasion of his ordination as a permanent deacon for service in the Diocese of Hallam. Please God, Simon's family, parish and diocese will be enriched by his ministry among us. We also thank Bishop Heskett for coming to ordain Simon and celebrating Mass with us today, particularly during these trying times. Let us all continue to pray for vocations to the Priesthood, Permanent Diaconate and Religious Life.

Money Talk

This is a difficult and challenging time for many of us and it will remain so for some time it seems. However, through prayer and charity we can all make a spiritual contribution to our community life and those experiencing financial difficulty should be encouraged to remember this and not feel under any obligation to give what they cannot afford.

Thank you to everyone who has made a contribution in these difficult times, your continued generosity towards our churches is greatly appreciated. To make a standing order or one-off payment the details you need are:

To Diocese of Hallam St Josephs Handsworth,
Sort Code 40-41-07, Account Number 61094351 or

To Diocese of Hallam St Charles Borromeo Sheffield,
Sort Code 40-41-07, Account Number 41095064

St Joseph's Gift Aid Offertory Envelopes: if you didn't manage to collect your new box of envelopes please speak with Fr M or one of the stewards at the end of Mass and they will give it to you. Likewise, if you would like your **Gift Aided Offertory Donations Thank-You Letter** for the tax year ending, 5 April, 2020. Gift Aid makes a significant contribution to our income and, if you are a taxpayer who does not use the scheme but would like to know more, then please contact Fr M. Thank you for your support.

CONFESSIONS

At St Joseph's: by appointment, please speak with Fr McManus.

At St Marie's there are new times: Monday–Saturday, 11.30am–12.15pm in St Joseph's Chapel. For everyone's safety, there will be a protective plastic screen in place. Please stand while making your confession.

FACE COVERINGS ARE REQUIRED IN CHURCH

We are required by HM Government to wear face coverings in enclosed public spaces where there are people they do not normally meet, this includes churches.

You MUST NOT attend Mass if:

- You are unwell.
- Somebody in your household has coronavirus symptoms, for example a cough or high temperature.

We thank our cleaners and stewards for volunteering their time and labour. **Without them we simply could not open the church.** I am anxious that we do not overburden people and that our opening is sustainable. **New volunteers are always welcome.**

MASS IN CHURCH

The social-distancing rules mean that only every third bench in our church is available for seating. **Once those 27 benches are full of 2 or more people then the church is full. When the church is full you may not enter the church.** However, if you wish, you may remain outside as the main doors of the church will still be open and you can follow Mass there. As people leave the church you may then enter by the porch to receive Holy Communion.

Please follow the directions of the stewards.

We will **record your name and telephone number** should you need to be contacted with regard to HM Government's 'test & trace' system.

Please note that **HM Government regulations continue to only permit 30 people to attend a wedding or a funeral.**

The toilets are not in use and the undercroft and sacristy are out of bounds unless you are authorised to enter. A box for any offering you wish is available as you enter the church. Thank you.

'Lord, look with favour on this servant of yours, whom we now dedicate to the office of deacon, to minister at your holy altar. Lord send forth upon him the Holy Spirit, that he might be strengthened by the gift of your sevenfold grace to carry out faithfully the work of the ministry. May he excel in every virtue: In love that is sincere, in concern for the sick and the poor, in unassuming authority, in self-discipline, and in holiness of life. May his conduct exemplify your commandments and lead your people to imitate his purity of life. May he remain strong and steadfast in Christ, giving to the world the witness of a pure conscience. May he in this life imitate your son, who came not to be served but to serve, and one day reign with him in heaven. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.'

From the Rite of Ordination of a Deacon

<i>Liturgy Times & Mass Intentions</i>	
Monday September 7 <i>Ordinary Time weekday</i>	Jaqueline Beaumont
Tuesday September 8 <i>Birthday of Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	10.00am In Thanksgiving (safe delivery & birth)
Wednesday September 9 <i>Ordinary Time weekday</i>	Celebrant's Intention
Thursday September 10 <i>Ordinary Time weekday</i>	Dead List
Friday September 11 <i>Ordinary Time weekday</i>	10.00am Barry O'Hara
Saturday September 12 <i>Ordinary Time weekday</i> <i>Vigil Mass of Sunday at St Joseph's</i>	5.00pm Simon Hegarty's Intentions
Sunday September 13 <i>24th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> <i>Both Masses at St Joseph's</i>	8.30am For the People 10.00am Freda Capilelli

This week St Joseph's Sanctuary Lamp burns for:

For the Sick & the Dying

This week St Charles' Sanctuary Lamp burns for:

Healthcare Workers & Carers

Please pray for all who have died recently & for those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

The **Hallam News** is online at: <http://www.churchpaper.co.uk/>

Prayer of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen. *St Alphonsus Ligouri*

Last week's collection was £467.03 (£285.00 in offertory envelopes, £182.03 in loose). Many thanks for your continuing support.