



The Catholic Parishes of Saint Francis of Assisi, Nailsea & Saint Joseph, Portishead



St Francis of Assisi Church
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Sunday 15th November 2020
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Parish website:	www.josephfrancis.org.uk		

This Week's Mass Times

All Masses will be livestreamed at <https://www.josephfrancis.org/livestream>

Sunday 15 th November	11am	St Francis	33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	<i>People of the Parish</i>
Monday 16 th November	12 noon	St Francis	Memorial of St Edmund of Abingdon	<i>Margaret Chamberlain</i>
Tuesday 17 th November	12 noon	St Francis	Memorial of St Hugh of Lincoln	<i>Deceased members of the Jones and Gourlay family</i>
Wednesday 18 th November	12 noon	St Francis	Weekday in Ordinary Time	<i>Polly Willis (RIP)</i>
Thursday 19 th November	12 noon	St Francis	Weekday in Ordinary Time	<i>Anne Bottomley (RIP)</i>
Friday 20 th November	12 noon	St Francis	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Saturday 21 st November	12 noon	St Francis	Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	<i>Phyllis Stevens (100th Birthday)</i>

Confessions

By Appointment

Adoration – Private Prayer

Tuesday	2-3pm	St Francis
Wednesday	12-10pm	St Joseph
Thursday	8-9pm	St Francis

Entrance Antiphon

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction.
You will call upon me, and I will answer you,
and I will lead back your captives from every place.

Psalm Response

O blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Even if you have to die, says the Lord,
keep faithful, and I will give you
the crown of life. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

To be near God is my happiness,
to place my hope in God the Lord.

THE WORD THIS WEEK

We must be very careful that the real point of today's first reading is not washed away in genuine concerns over what one can and cannot say about the responsibilities of spouses. This is not, in fact, a recipe for 'the perfect wife', but an illustration, from one age, of the virtue of fully employing the talents God gives us. Some things are timeless, such as holding out a hand to the poor, while other talents shift and change. The point is that all of us are gifted in varying ways and degrees: none of us should begrudge anyone else their talents, for fear that we overlook our own. We work wisely and well, looking forward to the master's return, when we can hand over to him not just what he gave us, but also the fruits that our labours have gained.

PRAISE AND WORSHIP: Saturday 28th November at 3pm Joe Meigh will once again be leading us in worship with Stuart Ford reading our scripture and giving us some reflection on this reading via Zoom on the last Saturday of November. If you would like to join or need further information please email Tom (tafosman@hotmail.co.uk)

ONLINE YOUTH GATHERINGS: Our young people are raising money for Creative Arts Projects to help young people with mental health issues. If you are interested in supporting them please contact Tom (tafosman@hotmail.co.uk). The next online youth gatherings are Fri 20th Nov & Fri 18th Dec @6.15pm until 7pm. If you would like to take part or know of any young people in Year 6-Year 10 who would like to explore their faith and get involved in charity fundraising, please email Tom (tafosman@hotmail.co.uk) thanks.

FR RICHARD ELSON

My induction as Parish Priest will take place on Wed 9th December at St Francis at 7pm (on the anniversary of my ordination) by the Dean, Canon Tom Gunning, who will be representing the Bishop. This will be subject to government restrictions in place at the time. Please email Elaine at elaine@josephfrancis.org.uk if you would like to attend to ensure we stay within the numbers permitted. This event will also be available to watch via Livestream.

MAKE A CHRISTMAS WREATH AT HOME!

St. Joseph's PTFA are Launching this great event to raise money for the school 2020 style in lockdown! Make your wreath individually at home. Anyone is able to buy a pack - advertise to your family, friends and neighbours!

Get your wreath on your door in time for December! Please support this fundraiser from the comfort of your own home on a Friday night!

Click here to buy your kit:

<https://paypal.me/pools/c/8uehu3FKzf>

Your support would be greatly appreciated.

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Christmas Eve

St Francis 5pm ,

St Joseph 6.30pm & 10pm,

St Francis **11.30pm** (note this is a change to the usual time)

Christmas Day

St Francis 9.30am,

St Joseph 11am & **12 noon** (an additional Mass to the usual times)

Booking is essential (even if you are already registered for Sunday Masses), and can be done by visiting <https://www.josephfrancis.org/christmas> Please only book if you are definitely planning to come, if your plans change ensure you cancel your booking so that others can attend. All the Christmas Masses will be livestreamed. We regret that there will no congregational carol singing. All of this is subject to change depending on government restrictions.

ON-LINE CHRISTMAS MARKET

The joyous Christmas season is approaching! The season that is filled with love, family and, most importantly, God. As you may be aware, Sisters from the St. Elisabeth Convent (Minsk, Belarus) are unable to participate in annual Christmas markets in our region due to travel restrictions. Nevertheless, they have found a great way to spread the Christmas joy, love and deeds of mercy.

They are launching the very first Online Christmas Market this year, so that people from all over the world can purchase Christmas presents and souvenirs made with love and continuous prayer. Please, click here to participate:

<https://catalog.obitel-minsk.com/christmas-market>

Through purchasing beautiful Christmas gifts each one of us will be able to serve the poor, sick, homeless and lonely people. Because every item purchased at the Online Market is a donation towards one of the Convent's ministries.

NEWSLETTER NOTICES

If you have notices you wish to include in the weekly newsletter please email them to elaine@josephfrancis.org.uk to arrive no later than **Thursday, 9am**.