



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



### St Francis of Assisi Church

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### Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2021 Seventh Sunday of Easter

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	Portishead	Tues & Fri	10.30am – 1pm
<b>Parish website:</b>	<a href="http://www.josephfrancis.org">www.josephfrancis.org</a>		

### This Week's Mass Times

Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	6pm	St Joseph	Seventh Sunday of Easter	<i>Mr A Chandran (RIP) (2<sup>nd</sup> Ann)</i>
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	9am	St Joseph		<i>People of the Parish</i>
	11am	St Francis		<i>Dorothy Galiana (RIP) (1<sup>st</sup> Ann)</i>
	6pm	St Francis		
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	9am	St Francis	Weekday of Easter	<i>Jose Muntandas (RIP)</i>
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	10am	St Joseph	Weekday of Easter	
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	7pm	St Francis	Memorial of St Dunstan	<i>Tom Hegarty (RIP) (Ann)</i>
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	9.15am	St Francis	Weekday of Easter	
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	10am	St Joseph	Weekday of Easter	
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	10am	St Joseph	Our Lady on Saturday	
	6pm	St Joseph	Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday	

### Confessions

Wednesday	6.30-6.50pm	St Francis
Saturday	5.30-5.50pm	St Joseph
Sunday	5.30-5.50pm	St Francis

### Adoration

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

### Entrance Antiphon

O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you;  
of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face;  
hide not your face from me, alleluia.

### Psalm Response

The Lord has set his sway in heaven.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!  
I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord;  
I will come back to you,  
and your hearts will be full of joy. Alleluia!

### Communion Antiphon

Father, I pray that they may be one  
as we also are one, alleluia.

## THE WORD THIS WEEK

### Seventh Sunday of Easter

This is an unusual 'in between' Sunday - in between the Lord's return to the Father's right hand at the Ascension and the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. The Church's tradition is to spend this time 'in between' in prayer, as did Mary and the Apostles, waiting for the promised gift of the Spirit. The Gospel for this Sunday is part of the 'priestly prayer' of Christ from the Last Supper - a prayer full of concern for his friends - for us, the Church. Eastertide has been all about the Church, and this Sunday is no exception. The Church is itself the community 'in between' the Lord's first and second coming: as we await the Spirit next Sunday, Saint John reminds us of how we should live: "anyone who lives in love lives in God, and God lives in him."

### PRAYER INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

**The Pope's prayer intention for May:** Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

**For the Church,** we pray for all those in the Church who communicate to others, through multiple means, the saving truth of the gospel, that they may be diligent servants of the Word and conscientious champions of the truth.

**For peace in our world,** that nations and peoples may put aside thoughts of war and injustice and look instead for ways to live together in harmony and consideration for those in need.

**For all who live at the margins of society,** that they may see the love of God in the actions of those who follow Christ.

### SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

A second collection will take place this weekend at both parishes. Baskets for cash donations will be in the lobbies and online donations can be made at [www.josephfrancis.org](http://www.josephfrancis.org) using the World Communications Day button under the donate tab or by visiting [www.cbcew.org.uk/donate](http://www.cbcew.org.uk/donate)

### ST JOSEPH'S - CALL FOR MUSICIANS AND SINGERS

Are you a pianist, organist, instrumentalist, singer and/or cantor? Would you be able to help serve the parish by helping to provide or by leading the music of the Liturgy either occasionally or regularly here at St Joseph's? We hope to recommence congregational singing shortly and would be very grateful to welcome previous and new singers and musicians to the Ministry. Please contact Father Richard.

## WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY 2021: Sunday 16 May

The theme for the 2021 World Day of Social Communications, chosen by Pope Francis, echoes the words of the Apostle Philip, recognising that authentic communication leads to "encountering people as and where they are". Taken from the Bible (John 1: 46) the words "Come and see" are central to the Gospel. Before the Gospel is proclaimed, prior to words, there are "looks, testimonies, experiences, encounters and closeness. In a word – life." Pope Francis provides the subtitle: "Communicating, encountering people as and where they are". The Pope's message for the 55th World Communications Day can be found on the Bishops' Conference website: Pope's Communications Message 2021 ([cbcew.org.uk](http://cbcew.org.uk))

Link for donations:

Donate – World Communications Day 2021 ([cbcew.org.uk](http://cbcew.org.uk))

### 'THY KINGDOM COME' in Portishead

Hundreds of thousands of Christians worldwide are gearing up to take part in the sixth *Thy Kingdom Come* - a global ecumenical prayer movement for evangelization, occurring annually from Ascension to Pentecost (13th - 23rd May this year). Portishead Churches Together are inviting us to take part with midday prayers online. Each day will have a special intercession focus: schools, local and national government, etc. For more details consult the Portishead Churches Together Facebook page.

If you would like to join here is the Zoom link: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71726765677?pwd=V0FSeDlaZXB4KzRpZTgzWF14czlXQT09>

Meeting ID: 717 2676 5677

Passcode: N0dHb0

You can join Deacon Didier on Thursday 20th at 12 noon when we will be interceding for our care homes.

### CONFIRMATION MASS

Bishop Declan will be celebrating the sacrament of Confirmation for the 2020 candidates from our parishes on Sunday 4 July, 3pm at St Francis Church. Please keep these young people in your prayers as they prepare to receive this sacrament.

## **BRIDGE COMMUNITY (formerly Faith & Light)**

For people with any kind of disability, their family and their friends.

Our monthly Christian fellowship will bring us together this Sunday 16th May at 3pm on Zoom.

For more information and/or to get the Zoom link please contact Deacon Didier.

## **VACANCY**

St Francis RC VA Primary school has a vacancy for a Caretaker. 15 hours per week, Monday to Friday, 2pm to 5pm from 3 September 2021. Further details and an application pack are available on the school website or from the school office. Closing date Midday, Friday 21 May 2021  
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