ST. ANSELM Proclaiming Christ in Hayes

St. Joseph.

Silent, hard working, content to work in the shadows.

Last week Pope Francis announced that from December 8th 2020 to December 8th 2021 there would be a jubilee year of St. Joseph.

This news lifted my spirits no end. St. Joseph is often one of our most overlooked Saints.

He's overlooked because he just gets on with it. He is quiet, he is faithful, he is determined, he is a loving father who teaches Jesus how to be a man.

Pope Francis explains his example to us in this way:

"...during these months of pandemic, when we experienced, amid the crisis,

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Please let Fr. Matthew know of illness or other need as soon as possible. He is available on the above number 24/7. how "our lives are woven together and sustained by ordinary people, people [are] often overlooked.

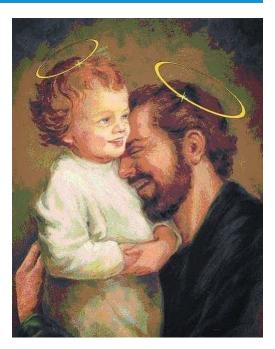
People who do not appear in newspaper and magazine headlines, or on the latest television show, yet in these very days are surely shaping the decisive events of our history.

Doctors, nurses, storekeepers and supermarket workers, cleaning personnel, caregivers, transport workers, men and women working to provide essential services and public safety, volunteers, priests, men and women religious, and so very many others. They

Prayer focus

Children finishing school for the Christmas break on Thursday and Friday.

For peace, love and hope in the family home.



understood that no one is saved alone... How many people daily exercise patience and offer hope, taking care to spread not panic, but shared responsibility."

So then I ask you, how can we offer daily patience, hope and care to those around us?

Fr. Matthew

Worship focus

Make a special effort to come to Evening Prayer from the 17th December as we pray through the 'O Antiphons'.

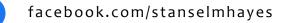
This Sunday

Sunday 13th December 3rd Sunday of Advent

10:00am - Parish Mass Divine Office Psalter Week 3, Year B(1)

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Notices

Christmas services: Christmas Eve, 3pm - Christingle & Crib service (please book via the website). Christmas Eve 11:30pm - Midnight Mass. Christmas Day, 10am - Parish Mass.

The children's Christmas card's are now available to buy in church. They are £6 a pack of 12 (very reasonable!). You can pay in cash in church or via PayPal / Bank Transfer (ask Fr. Matthew for the details).

Please keep hold of your stamps for the RNIB Christmas Campaign, a box will soon appear in church to collect them. Please ask Susan Chick for details.

Years Mind

13th December - Frederick Eades, Ellen Louisa Howse
14th December - Jane & John Hartley, Nora Simmonds, Fr Albert Thomas Phyall (Vicar St Anselm's 1944-75)
15th December - Kathleen Collins, Terry Hamatton (2006)
16th December - Doris Evans
17th December - Olive Castle (2006)
18th December - Derek Cawston, Mary Lane
19th December - Margaret Hemmings (2017)

Pray This Week For

Yolande DeGale, Sr. Sally, Sr. Angela, Helen Holman, Beryl Higgs, Ash, Margo & her family, Margery, Annie Foo, On Yin Chang, Rene Holman, June Bougton, Roy Browne, Russell Hardy, Verity Thompson, Daniel Sibley.

This week at St. Anselm

Monday 14th December

Saint John of the Cross, Priest, Doctor 9am - Morning Prayer & Mass 5pm - Evening Prayer Prayer focus: The dead

Tuesday 15th December

Tuesday of the 3rd week of Advent 9am - Morning Prayer & Mass 5pm - Evening Prayer 5:15pm - Confessions [or by appointment] Prayer focus: Jonathan and parishes of The Society

Wednesday 16th December

Wednesday of the 3rd Week of Advent 9am - Morning Prayer & Mass Midday - 2pm - Foodbank Collection 5pm - Evening Prayer & Rosary Prayer focus: Foodbank users

Thursday 17th December

O Sapientia! 9am - Morning Prayer 9:15-10am - Confessions [or by appointment] 10am - Mass 5pm - Evening Prayer Prayer focus: Persecuted Christians

Friday 18th December

O Adonai! 9am - Morning Prayer & Mass Prayer focus: The sick

Saturday 19th December

O radix lesse! Offices said at home privately [Fr. Matthew's rest day] Prayer focus: The sick

Sunday 20th December

4th Sunday of Advent O clavis David!

10:00am - Parish Mass Divine Office Psalter Week 4, Year B(I)