



# The Parish of Our Lady & St Joseph

## Social & Fundraising News: Issue 7 - September 2019

Dear Parishioners of Our Lady & St Joseph.

Welcome to the 7th issue of the Fundraising & Social Newsletter.

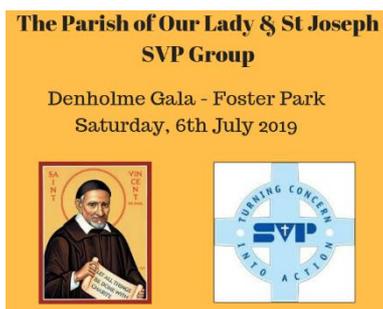
Father Dennis thanks everyone in the Parish who has worked so hard, given their time and efforts, donated generously to the various appeals and helped in so many other ways. All your contribution has helped to raise a total of £8,436.85 so far. We had set the goal at £10,000, and although we may not reach it, it was a high target, higher than last year, and it's still brilliant. There is just 1 fundraising event left, which is the Family Ceilidh. We hope you will come and support this event to help us to get closer to our goal of £10,000.

### Fortnightly Wednesday Coffee Morning at St Joseph's Presbytery

Thank you to Kathleen Kennedy and her team for continuing this fortnightly event after Mass. Come along and cuppa and a chat. Thank you for your support - a further £60 has been raised.



### SVP Fundraising Event



The SVP held their annual fundraising event at the Denholme Gala on 6<sup>th</sup> July. Thanks to the good weather on the day, £312 was raised which was used towards the Parish outing in September. Thank you to everyone who donated gifts and bottles for their stall.

### Summer Fun Day & Promise Auction: 13<sup>th</sup> July

The total amount raised was similar to what was raised last year, £854 at the Fun Day & £667 from the Promise Auction. It was another enjoyable day. The weather was on our side once again, and despite other events held in the area, we had a steady stream of supporters. Thank you to John Devlin and Andrew Arnold for your help and support. Thank you to everyone who supported the event and a big thank you to everyone who helped with the event before and on the day. A big thank you also to those of you who contributed the Promises



## Afternoon Garden Tea Party: 25<sup>th</sup> August

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Sunday 25th August from 2-4 pm

We couldn't have planned it better had we tried! The weather was perfect - probably the hottest day of the year. It was truly a wonderful Garden Tea Party. Everyone enjoyed themselves in Paul & Linda's garden, taking in beautiful views of the surrounding area while enjoying a scrumptious afternoon tea and music provided by Den Miller. The event raised £365. Thank you to Paul & Linda for the use of their home and garden, Den Miller for the music and everyone who contributed the food and bubbly.

## SVP Annual Outing: 8<sup>th</sup> September

The trip this year was to Lotherton Hall. Funds raised at the Denholme Gala were used to pay for the coach and admission tickets. It was a successful event attended by 48 parishioners. The weather was good, and everyone enjoyed themselves.



## Dedication of St Francis - Inter-faith service: 22<sup>nd</sup> September



In response to Pope Francis's invitation to celebrate Creation, about 25 people gathered at Our Lady of Lourdes, Haworth. People of all ages and different faith traditions were represented. A fire was built and the children helped to focus on a variety of amazing objects before they moved away to make a banner of St Francis. Fr Dennis drew attention to the statue of St Francis and how his life has relevance for us in living a life of simplicity and care for all creation. Thanks to John Drury for the music. The service ended with a simple meal of soup and

bread.

## Food Collection

Thank you for your contributions of various food items, which are taken regularly to The Salvation Army and the Friars of the Renewal in Bradford.



Supporting  
The Salvation Army  
&  
The Friars of the Renewal  
Boxes at the back of church are emptied each week  
Your donations are greatly appreciated

## Buildings & Maintenance Update

Thank you to volunteers who have continued to maintain the grounds and buildings of the Parish. We are waiting for advice from the Property Division of the Diocese to assist us with the list of works that are required at the Parish. More information will be available at the Bi-Annual Parish Meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> October.

## Forthcoming events:

### Family Ceilidh: 4<sup>th</sup> October

The Phoenix Ceilidh Band will once again provide the music for evening. Do come along and enjoy the music. Supper will be provided. There will also be a raffle with lots of good prizes. You don't have to dance if you don't want to.



### Bi-Annual Parish Meeting & Get-Together: 11<sup>th</sup> October

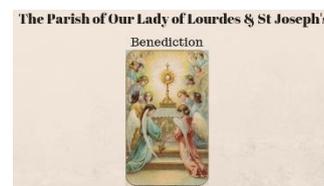


Come along and meet Father Dennis socially. Get the latest updates on what's happening in the Parish. You'll have the opportunity to discuss any issues and share ideas you may have regarding the Parish, especially on how you could be involved with the maintenance and care of the grounds at Our Lady of Lourdes in line with Pope Francis's Laudato Si - care for our common home. There'll be lots of

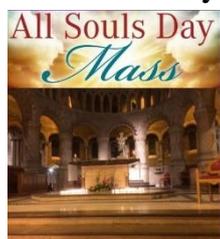
lovely home-baked goodies and refreshments - a great time to mingle with your fellow parishioners and get to know them better.

### Benediction & Afternoon Tea: 24<sup>th</sup> October

The SVP group invites you to Benediction at Our Lady of Lourdes at 2 pm on 24<sup>th</sup> October at 2 pm. The service will be followed by Afternoon Tea in the House. Transport can be arranged if required.



### All Souls Day Remembrance Mass & Service: 2<sup>nd</sup> November



Fr Dennis invites all families who have had a bereavement to attend a special Mass at St Joseph's Church on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 5 pm. There will be a service with memorial candles, followed by a social get-together in St Joseph's School Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend and join in the social get-together at St Joseph's school after the Mass and service.

### SVP Christmas Fayre: 30<sup>th</sup> November

The annual SVP Christmas Fayre will take place on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Rooms. Funds raised at this event will provide Christmas lunches and presents for the parishioners that the the group look after. We hope you will come and support the event. The SVP group will be very grateful for donations of bottles and new gift items for the event.



### Message from the Social & Fundraising Committee

Thank you to everybody who has supported the events through the year. Thank you also to everyone who has helped with the organising and running of the events - your efforts are greatly appreciated.

If you are able to help in any way, even if it is just a one-off time, please come forward and let us know. We need your help through the year to keep these events going.

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## Parish Buildings Fund



### Fundraising Thermometer

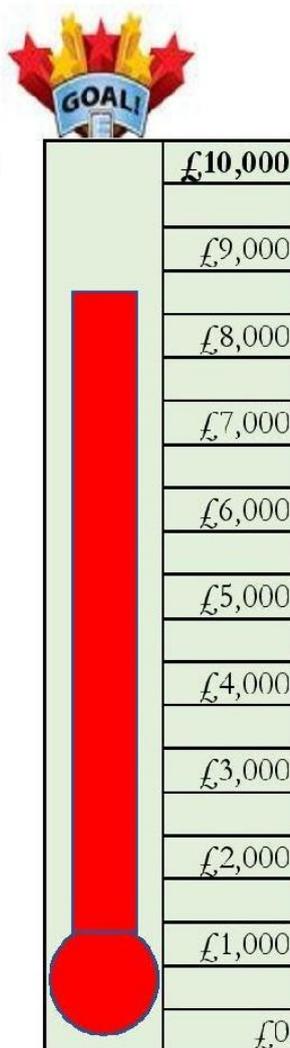
**Funds raised in 2018**

**£9,533.66**

Events

200 Club	£3,210.00
Donations	£55.00
Tombola	£128.20
Coffee Morning	£180.00
Parish Raffle	£203.00
Spring Concert	£300.00
Race Night	£773.00
Easter Raffle	£873.65
Summer Ball	£400.00
Summer Fun Day	£854.00
Promise Auction	£667.00
Bequests (£378 + £50)	£428.00
Summer Garden Party	£365.00

**2019 Target:**



**2019 funds raised @ 30th Sept**

**£8,436.85**

Thank you to everyone who has made this possible.