





# The Catholic Parish of Bishop's Stortford



*St Joseph and the English Martyrs, Bishop's Stortford*  
*Holy Cross, at St Andrew's, Church Lane, Much Hadham*  
*Most Holy Redeemer, Sayesbury Road, Sawbridgeworth*  
Parish Priest: Fr Peter Harris • Assistant Priest: Fr Fortunato Pantisano

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Live streaming from St Joseph's: [www.churchservices.tv/bishopsstortford](http://www.churchservices.tv/bishopsstortford)  
Diocese of Westminster Charity No. 233699



**PARISH AFTERNOON TEA - LAST CHANCE TO RELAX AND ENJOY A SUMPTUOUS MUSICAL AFTERNOON TEA for the elderly and housebound with BEAUTIFUL HOMEMADE CAKES!!**

**Be ENTERTAINED with splendid singing from Kate's Junior and the Adult choir'. Forms available at the back of the Church. All three Churches are most welcome.**

**PLEASE RESERVE YOUR PLACE for Next SUNDAY 12<sup>th</sup> June 2-3.30pm at the Parish Centre**  
Please contact Fiona for information 01279 501948.

**ST. JOHN BOSCO SUMMER CAMP:** (in association with the SVP). Activity holidays in the Essex countryside for boys aged 8-13, 23-30 July & 30 July-6 Aug; for girls aged 9-12, 6-13 Aug. Cost is £145. Please contact St. Joseph's SVP for further details (07504 099571) Financial support may be available if required.

**BISHOPS STORTFORD STREET PASTORS** are looking to appoint a Coordinator to enable our team of volunteers from local churches to continue our ministry of caring for the late-night community of Bishop's Stortford and Sawbridgeworth. This position is a key role and we therefore require the post holder to be fully in agreement with Street Pastors' vision and mission and a committed Christian in regular attendance at a local Church. This is a position that is remunerated on a sessional basis at £12 per hour up to 12 hours a week. For role description and person specification, please contact...Jo on 01279 836695 or email [seniorminister@stortfordbaptist.org](mailto:seniorminister@stortfordbaptist.org). The closing date for applications is 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2016 at 5.00 p.m.

**Encounter** meet next Friday 10th June 10am-12noon at 26 Warwick Rd., B Stortford, to plan for next year's programme. If you are unable to attend please pass on any ideas you may have to BS 652060

**Feltham Community Chaplaincy Trust (FCCT)** are looking for volunteers to mentor young imprisoned men. No experience is required, just a passion for Christ and his teachings. Full training is provided. Contact FCCT directly for more info on 020 8844 5585 or [cclfeltham@hmps.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:cclfeltham@hmps.gsi.gov.uk)

*Hail, holy Queen, mother of mercy; hail, our life, our sweetness, and our hope! To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to you do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.*

## Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2016 - 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

- 9am Mass Mary Matthews RIP
- 11am Mass Special Intention Oliver Mc Lean
- 12.30pm Baptism Florence Charlotte Mac Farlane
- 6pm Mass Special Intention

### Most Holy Redeemer (Sayesbury Road, Sawbridgeworth):

9.00am Mass - First Holy Communion

### Holy Cross (at St Andrew's, Church Lane, Much Hadham):

11.15am Mass - First Holy Communion  
St Joseph's / Most Holy Redeemer

### Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June - St Norbert, Bishop

- 9.15am Morning Prayer
- 9.30am Mass - Kathleen Coleston RIP
- 11.30am Funeral service Esme Hills RIP

### Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June - feria

- 6.30am Mass - People of the Parish.
- 9.15am Morning Prayer
- 9.30am Mass - The Bereaved of the Parish

### Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June - feria

- 9.15am Morning Prayer
- 9.30am Mass- Special Intention Monica & Spencer Lynch

### Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June - St Columba, Abbot

- St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
- 9.15am Morning Prayer
- 9.30am Mass - Special Intention Anne Mc Tiernan
- Most Holy Redeemer
- 12.30 Mass

### Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June - feria

- St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
- 9.15am Morning Prayer
- 9.30am Mass - Nancy Fahy RIP

### Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June - St Barnabas, Apostle

- St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
- 11am/ 1.30pm & 3.30pm First Holy Communion Masses
- 5.15- 5.45pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Sacrament of Reconciliation
- 6pm Mass Private Intentions



### Mass requests

Please fill in the envelope provided, the date & time you would like the Mass with a contact number/ E-mail address and hand in to the Sacristy, Parish Office or 3 Windhill. Thank you very much.

### Fr Peter writes...

The making good from the electrical works is nearly complete and the workmen should have finished this Saturday! The stone conservators have stripped the paint from the stone in the new Baptistry area and we are expecting the painters soon to decorate that small part of the church. We have now discovered the original colour which was cream. We now need to begin to think about working on the rest of the Church. Someone has very kindly approached me and offered to pay for the cleaning of the marble and stone and mosaic in the Lady Chapel which will commence soon - a most generous gift. Would anyone wish to do the same, perhaps in memory of a loved one, for cleaning the marble walls in the Sanctuary £6965 or the Altar and the Great marble canopy over it £4950. If you would, then please come and have a private word with me. **Thank you all, again, for your great generosity.**

**60 FOSTER CARERS are urgently needed.** In Hertfordshire, there are over 1000 children and young people in care. Hertfordshire County Council is asking the Church to help. We are inviting anyone with an interest in looked after children to join 'Home for Good' to explore how the local Churches can work together with Hertfordshire County Council on Wednesday 22 June 2016, 7:45 - 9:15pm at the Emmaus Centre, St James the Great, Thorley, B/ Stortford CM23 4BE

**TABLE TENNIS CLUB** - We play in the WCC behind St Joseph's at 7pm on alternate Sunday's after 6pm Mass. Please join us for a game or two. Players of all ages are welcome. Next dates 05/06, 19/06, 03/07, 17/07, 31/07, 14/08, 28/08. 7pm - 8.30 pm Chris Brolly 01279-324231.

**SVP "TEA IN THE GARDEN"** (or indoors!):- Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2.00 - 4.00pm at Hilary's - "Saxons", Thorley Street (on the right between Whittington Way lights and the Coach & Horses). All most welcome. For a lift please call Jill on 657575 or Astrid on 465200

**WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON GROUP.** Please note that there will be no meeting on the 15th June, (the 3rd Wed.) in view of the parish afternoon tea on the 12th and the SVP tea in the garden on the 7th. Current thinking is everyone will be 'tea'd out'. Meeting as usual in July (cream tea and strawberries??) Please ring Jill on 657575 if you have any concerns.

**REQUIEM MASS HOLY CROSS** - There will be a Requiem Mass for the celebration of the life of Neil Patrick Bregan on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2016 at 11am at Holy Cross, Much Hadham.

**TEXT GIVING FOR ALL THREE OF OUR CHURCHES** Forgot to bring any money to Church?? Away on holiday and want to still help support all the monthly bills at St Joseph's or Most Holy Redeemer or at Holy Cross - now you can give to the church through your mobile telephone - YES!! The Diocese has launched a new form of giving, through your mobile telephone by "TEXTING"! There are leaflets at the back of each Church giving the special number to text - take one and keep it for next time you want to give but have forgot you cash or want to thank God for something special by helping your Parish. This is the modern world we live in!!(Fr Peter cannot quite believe it!!)

### The Annual St Joseph's Parish Hog Roast-

a fun afternoon for you, your family and friends  
Everyone is welcome!-on **Sunday July 10th 2016**  
**from 12.30 -4.30 PM** - on the Parkland behind the Windhill Churches Centre tickets will be on sale after all weekend Masses from Sat 4/ Sun 5 June at £6 each, under 7 years £3. Bring your own drinks, glasses, picnic chairs and a favourite desert to share. We only have 200 tickets so do not delay as this is a very popular event!! Please contact Stephen Craston for further information on 01279 320050



### RCIA 2016/17

Have you missed out on some of the Sacraments? Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Would you like to join the Catholic Church? Is there someone you know who would be interested in becoming a Catholic, perhaps your husband or wife, girlfriend, boyfriend or neighbour? /If the answer is "YES" to any of these questions COME and JOIN the Journey of Faith at St Joseph's, Bishop's Stortford which starts in September. Please contact Fr Fortunato at [bishopsstortford@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:bishopsstortford@rcdow.org.uk) to pre-register or call 01279 654063

The St Joseph's monthly Novena will start again from Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June immediately after Mass. Everyone is very welcome.

**MISSIO/ APF RED BOX** - We are holding a special collection for those whose Red Box may not have been opened for a while. If so, please bring it to mass over the coming weekends and we will empty it. If you have any questions please contact Tessa Nazareth, local secretary 01279 324444

**DEBATE**-On Wednesday 15 June, Catholic Voices have organised a debate, featuring a number of Catholics in prominent British public life, on the subject of the forthcoming referendum on Britain's membership of the EU. The debate will take place from 6.30pm to 8.30pm in Westminster Cathedral Hall. Tickets are £10 (£6 concessions). For further information and to book, please visit [www.catholicvoices.org.uk](http://www.catholicvoices.org.uk)

**Altar servers Practice** - Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July with Fr Fortunato- Most Holy Redeemer at 10.30am and Holy Cross at 12 noon



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SVP (St Joseph's): 0750 409 9571



Collections 28/29 May 2016  
*St Josephs and the English Martyrs:*  
Collection: £964.35 Standing Orders: £1278  
*Holy Cross:*  
Collection: £122.50 Standing Orders: £195  
*Most Holy Redeemer:*  
Collection: £ 182.42 Standing Orders: £82



**Baptism:** Forms and information are available from the Parish Office.  
**Marriage:** enquiries call the Parish Office or email  
**First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion:**  
Now closed for 2016  
**Confirmation:** now closed for 2016