



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
 Diocese of Westminster Charity No. 233699

Sunday 12th June 2016 - 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9am Mass Andy Moloney & Joseph Stehl RIP
 11am Mass David Barry RIP
 12.30pm Baptism Karina Maria Ambarus
 Baptism Dante Rodriguez Ordonez
 6pm Mass People of the Parish

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

Monday 13th June - St Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor

9.15am Morning Prayer
 9.30am Mass - Antonio Di Giovanni RIP
 11 am Requiem Mass Josephine Patricia Stephens RIP

Tuesday 14th June - feria

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

Wednesday 15th June -feria

9.15am Morning Prayer
 9.30am Mass - Josephine Micallef RIP

Thursday 16th June -St Richard of Chichester, Bishop

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9.15am Morning Prayer
 9.30am Mass - Ruth Prideaux RIP
 Most Holy Redeemer
 12.30 Mass

Friday 17th June - feria

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9.15am Morning Prayer
 9.30am Mass -Cardinal George Basil Hume RIP

Saturday 18th June -Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 5.15- 5.45pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament &
 Sacrament of Reconciliation
 6pm Mass Eileen Jones RIP



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... *yet again* !!!!

The making good from the electrical works **is now complete!** The stone conservators have stripped the paint from all the stone in the new Baptistry area - please do go and have a look at it! We now need to continue to think about working on the rest of the Church.

As you know 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 on June 20th. Someone has now offered to pay for the cleaning of the Altar and the Great marble canopy over it- both very generous gifts.

Would anyone wish to contribute something towards cleaning the marble walls of the Sanctuary which will cost £6965 in all.

If you would, then please come and have a private word with me.

Thank you all, again, for your great generosity.



Congratulations to all of our young people who received their First Holy Communion at St Josephs this weekend. Thank you very much to our Catechists who have generously given their time to support and prepare them.

And to Lauren who will make her First Communion at Most Holy Redeemer this Sunday.

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

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.

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

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 to pre-register or call 01279 654063

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

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 9-12yrs 6-13 Aug. Cost is £145. Please contact St. Joseph's SVP for details (07504 099571) Financial support may be available if required.

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 19/06, 03/07, 17/07, 31/07, 14/08, 28/08. 7pm - 8.30 pm Chris Brolly 01279-324231.

CONFIRMATION EVENT BBQ ST EDMUNDS- For those who were confirmed on 28 April 2016 your final celebration event is on Sat 2 July - Please RSVP **before the end of this weekend** as Bishop Paul Mc Aleenan would like to know who is coming, as do the Caterers!



Parish Administrator - Debbie Jackson
 Parish Office: 01279 654063 (10am-3pm)
 Parish Centre Bookings:
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 Child Protection: Keith Irvine
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 SVP (St Joseph's): 0750 409 9571



Collections 4/5 June 2016
St Josephs and the English Martyrs:
 Collection: £1252.51 Standing Orders: £1278
Holy Cross:
 Collection: £90.43 Standing Orders: £195
Most Holy Redeemer:
 Collection: £149.71 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

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. The closing date for applications is 23rd June 2016 at 5.00 p.m.

STORT INTERFAITH are holding a Quiz on Saturday 25th June at 7.00 for 7.30 start in St. Theresa's Parish Hall, Stansted Mountfitchet. Quiz Master David Morson .Fish or Chicken and Chip supper or Vegetarian option provided. Please bring your own drinks. Tickets £10 available from Maire Lawless 503538, Mark Shakespeare 831771 or David Morson 850209 (all 01279). A fun evening guaranteed!

FORMATION, TRAINING AND INFORMATION SESSIONS FOR CATECHISTS 2016 - open to all catechists. (Pre-booking for all sessions is required - via Diocesan website www.rcdow.org.uk/faith/catechesis/training/ Or email catadmin@rcdow.org.uk)

ALTAR SERVERS PRACTICE - Saturday 2nd July with Fr Fortunato- Most Holy Redeemer at 10.30am & Holy Cross at 12 noon

THE DAY FOR LIFE - Sunday 19th June is the day in the Church's calendar dedicated to celebrating the dignity of life. This year, it will explore how the wonder of human life and God's creation are intimately connected.

www.dayforlife.org <<http://www.dayforlife.org>>
 The following is a prayer, from Laudato Si', to deepen our wonder at the gift of life

All powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty. Fill us with peace that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

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.