



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 13th November 2016 – 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9am Mass All those who have died in War
 11am Mass Eileen Bettin RIP
 12.30 Baptism Henry Kavanagh
 6pm Mass Harold (Mick) Mills RIP

Most Holy Redeemer (Sayesbury Road, Sawbridgeworth):
 9.00am Mass People of the Parish

Holy Cross (at St Andrew's, Church Lane, Much Hadham):
 11.15am Mass People of the Parish



We will remember them...

Monday 14th November – feria

9.30am Mass – Jonathan Bramall RIP

Tuesday 15th November – St Albert the Great, Bishop & Doctor

9.30am Mass – Patricia Stott RIP

Wednesday 16th November – St Edmund of Abingdon, Bishop

9.30am Mass – Special Intention Bridget Halligan

Thursday 17th November – St Hilda, Abbess

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9.30am Mass – Frederick and Mary Stott RIP

Friday 18th November – Dedication of the Basilicas of St Peter and St Paul, Apostles

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9.30am Mass – Chas Mifsud RIP

Saturday 19th November – 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 - Joan and William Murtagh RIP



Mass requests

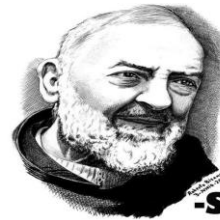
Please fill in the envelope provided, the date & time you would like the Mass with a contact number/ E-mail address and hand in to the Sacristy, Parish Office or 3 Windhill. Thank you very much.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION Parish-wide

Application forms for all those who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2017 will be available all the Sacristies of our Churches from Sunday 23rd October.

Applicants only are to sign for a form.

The last day for receiving completed forms into No. 3 Windhill will be Sunday 27th November 2016 at the very latest. Sessions will take place during Advent and Lent



We must empty Purgatory with our prayers.
-St. Padre Pio

MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS – Envelopes are available at the back of St Josephs for those deceased relatives you wish to be added to the November List.

ALTAR SERVERS at ST JOSEPH'S – We will be recruiting new Altar Servers at St Joseph's from November. If you have received your First Holy Communion, regularly attend Mass and are interested please speak with Fr Fortunato. A sign-up sheet is now available in the Sacristy.

MHR ANNUAL PARISH LUNCH Sunday 20 November at the Sawbridgeworth Cricket Club Pavilion. All welcome. Please see list at back of MHR church for more details and to sign up, or email mhrparishlunch@btinternet.com

PARISH MAGAZINE DEADLINE for the Christmas issue of the Parish Magazine is Friday, 2nd December. Seasonal items welcome but not compulsory! Kindly e-mail to astriddavies@hotmail.co.uk or leave with Debbie in the Parish office.

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING is on Thursday 24th November from 6pm to 8pm. There will be a talk by the Headteacher and Director of Sixth form at 7pm.

THE TUESDAY GROUP will next meet at 1015 am on 15 November in the Upper Room at the Windhill Churches Centre for Session 4 of the diocesan course "Living Jesus". This session is entitled "Finding the Word in the Word". All welcome.

ENCOUNTER meet next Fri 18 Nov at St Theresa's Stansted. Talk & discussion on the Infancy narratives in the gospels of Matthew & Luke; led by David Morson. **10am** coffee **10.30** meeting opens **12.30** shared lunch **2pm** day ends. * Please bring a bible. * All welcome for all or part of the day. Enquiries: B/S 659371 or 652060

SYRIAN REFUGEES IN HERTFORDSHIRE – WE NEED YOUR HELP!

A group of Syrian Refugees will be arriving in Herts shortly and we need your help please in the following ways....

WARM WINTER CLOTHING for Men, Ladies and Children (not babies) is needed by Monday 21st November – please take to **9 Avenue Road, Bishop's Stortford (Tel: 01279 656634).**

also please

SUPPORT A FUND RAISING COFFEE MORNING at the Methodist Church on Saturday 26 November 10am to 12pm. The proceeds will cover their immediate needs. Offers of help on the day or donations of cakes, scones, preserves, bric a brac etc would be welcome. Please contact Mione Goldspink on 01279 656634 for information.

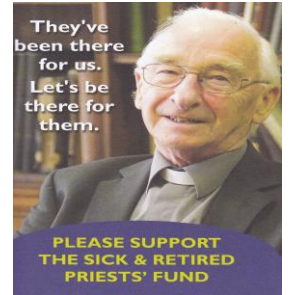
FLAME 2017 is the largest National Catholic Youth event of the year, taking place in the SSE Wembley Arena on **Saturday 11 March 2017**. The Arena will be filled with over 10,000 young people from across the country, receiving faith-filled inspiration from world class speakers, double Grammy winning worship leaders and culminates in a time of Adoration led by Cardinal Vincent Nichols. The day is open to anyone who is aged 10 and above, up to young adult. Tickets at £15. For more details please see <http://dowym.com/events/flame-2017/>

STORT INTERFAITH are hosting a meeting on Mindfulness and Meditation on Thursday 17th November at 8pm in the Upstairs rooms of the Windhill Churches Centre. Everyone is welcome.

TOWARDS ADVENT 2016 - a Festival of Catholic Culture is being held on Saturday 26th November in Westminster Cathedral Hall, Ambrosden Avenue London SW1 1QJ from 10am. Over 30 organisations will be attending and it is an opportunity for them to give an insight into their activities and they will also have many articles for sale. Admission is free. In addition some talks and workshops will be given during the event. Further details are available on towardsadvent@blogspot.com

YOUR SOCIAL COMMITTEE would like to thank those parishioners who have used our form to let us know what events we might organise for the coming year. Along with some familiar events we are hoping to add a Barn Dance and Wine Tasting evening, and our Parish event in July will be rejuvenated as we work with Parish Groups to include their suggestions. In fact, we hope each of our individual Parish groups will liaise with us about a social event they would like to host with our help. We are a small Committee, so would always welcome new members. However, if Committees are not for you, we also need volunteers to help at events. If you would like to be involved in helping us at an event - or two - please contact me or complete the form at the back of the Church. Thank you. Debbie Hourihan, Chair, socialcommitteestjosephs@gmail.com

SICK and RETIRED PRIESTS COLLECTION



This week our Parish will take up a collection to help support the basic needs of the sick and retired priests of the Diocese of Westminster. Your generous donation helps ensure these men who've lived their vocation and given their lives to the Church are provided for in their elderly and infirm years. The Sick & Retired Priests Fund helps cover medical, housing, convalescence, and personal needs of these priests, often alone and many without personal savings accumulated. Envelopes are available in the back of the church please give a donation if you're able. They've been here for us; let's be there for them.

TABLE TENNIS CLUB- The Parish Table Tennis Club is holding a free come and try it evening in the Parish Centre on Sunday 20 November from 7pm to 8.30 pm. We welcome anyone who wants to just have a go or players of all ages who may be interested in joining us more regularly at our fortnightly Sunday evening club nights. Just turn up on the evening or contact Chris Brolly on 01279-324231. **WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON GROUP** will be meeting on Nov. 16 in the Parish Centre at 2 p.m. Doreen will be helping us to make a Christmas / Advent Candle decoration (and the usual drinks & cakes of course!) All materials supplied, just bring yourself. Donations for the use of the hall very welcome. Why not also sign up for our Christmas lunch on Dec. 14th at 12 noon at the Star in Bridge St. Menus etc. available please bring a £5 deposit. If you can't come to the Nov. meeting please ring Doreen re: the lunch 325326. Everyone is very welcome

CAFOD MEMORIAL MASS - in memory of Supporters and Volunteers, at The Church of Christ the King, 29 Bramley Road, Oakwood, London N14 4HE at **11am on Wed 23 November**. If you would like someone to be included in our book of remembrance, please send their name by calling CAFOD Westminster on 020 8449 6970 or emailing westminster@cafod.org.uk

May Mary, the most merciful Mother of God, kindest comforter of those who mourn, commend to her Son the souls of his servants who have departed this life, that through her intercessions they may quickly reach their longed for home in the heavenly kingdom and live for ever and ever. Amen



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Collections 5th/6th November 2016
St Josephs and the English Martyrs:
 Collection: £1444.31 Standing Orders: £1358
Holy Cross:
 Collection: £71.22 Standing Orders: £195
Most Holy Redeemer:
 Collection: £202.91 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 2016/7
Confirmation: Applications for 2017 are open and will close 27 November 2016