



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
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Diocese of Westminster Charity No. 233699

Sunday 14th May 2017 - 5th Sunday of Easter

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9am Mass People of the Parish
11am Mass Guardian Angel of Alessandro
12.30 pm Baptism Kenji Hori
Phoebe Anne St Mart
6pm Mass Albert Prigg RIP

Most Holy Redeemer (Sayesbury Road, Sawbridgeworth):

9.00am Mass People of the Parish

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

11.15 am Mass People of the Parish

Monday 15th May Easter feria

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
9.30 am Mass- Seamus Burke RIP

Tuesday 16th May - Easter feria

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
9.30 am Mass- Margaret Barrett RIP

Wednesday 17th May- Easter feria

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
9.30 am Mass- Private Intentions

Thursday 18th May - St John I Pope and Martyr

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
9.30 am Mass- Holy Father's Intention for Vocations

Friday 19th May - Easter feria

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
9.30am Mass - Christians in Africa

Saturday 20th May - St Bernadette of Siena

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
5pm- 5.45pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Sacrament of Reconciliation
6pm Mass - Clifford Goodwin 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 with your donation.
Thank you very much.

THY KINGDOM COME

Join the global wave of prayer

25th May - 4th June 2017



PRAYING THAT PEOPLE MAY COME TO KNOW JESUS

Cardinal Vincent Nichols is supporting the Archbishop of Canterbury in his call to Christians to join a wave of prayer across the UK and around the world - praying that people you know might know Jesus. It's happening between Ascension and Pentecost from 25th May - 4th June. One part of our prayer will be in the form of a Novena and there will be free booklets available. During the Novena we are also asked to pray each day at 5pm for five people amongst our friends, that they might respond to Jesus call. As well as our individual prayer our Parish will concentrate on events being held by Holy Cross Catholic community at St Andrew's, Much Hadham, a short drive away. More details next week!!!!
See: www.thykingdomcome.global



JUSTICE & PEACE GROUP

"Bring & Buy Plant & Cake Sale", Sunday 28th May, after the 9am & 11am Masses, outside St. Joseph's for Aid to the Church in Need

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

Sunday 14th May to Sunday 20th May.

Please support this in any way you can, by prayer, action or contributing to the appeal. Refugees need all the security & hope they can get.



WED GROUP BUFFET LUNCH - May 17th.

Everyone is welcome to a buffet lunch and a 'trifle of Doreen's trifle' (and other desserts), from 12 noon on Wed. May 17th in the Parish Centre. Just bring yourself and your money and any more friends you can concentrate.... all cash raised via raffle and donations will be given to 'Louise' who is running a marathon for Macmillan Nurses. Please ring Doreen 325326 or Jill 657575 for info, lifts etc.

ENCOUNTER meet next Fri. 19 May in Windhill Churches Centre 'Music in May' Bring music that you love, or which holds special memories, to share with the group. As this meeting will also include some planning for meetings from Sept onwards; please come with ideas! 10am coffee 10.30 meeting opens 12.30 Lunch: Bring some food to share 2pm day ends. All welcome for all or part of the day. Enquiries: B/S 652060

ACROSS - Pilgrimage to Lourdes by Jumbulance Debbie Hourihan is leading a national group pilgrimage to Lourdes via Jumbulance on 3-12th August 2017. Helpers needed and there are limited places for able /unable and VIP's (those that are sick, disabled, terminally ill or just need a helping hand.) Full week in Lourdes in 4* Hotel full board, Group programme for the week - £699. Limited Subsidies available for nurses and 16-25 years old in full-time education. For more information contact either Debbie Hourihan on 07584-623472 / 01279-311858 or Pauline O'Driscoll on 07594-436348

CITIZENSHIP TEST If you are interested in joining preparation classes for the UK citizenship test, please see Sister Ruth in the Sacristy before or after Mass for further information. Dates: 22 May to 30 July; 22 September to 30 November. Cost £10 per lesson. One lesson per week 2:30-3:30 Saturdays."

BARN DANCE - at the Wodson Park Sports Centre Ware Friday 9th June 7.30pm. Dancing starts at 8pm - 11pm. Tickets £12.50 which includes supper. In support of building a new Parish Centre for Sacred Heart and St Joseph's Church in Ware. Tickets from Tony/Jean Stavrou 01920 411658 tony.stavrou@ntlworld.com. This will be an ideal way to perfect your steps before our own Parish Barn dance on 14th October!!!

NEW PARISH EVENT!!

Day Trip to the Outdoor production of

'THE LIFE OF CHRIST'

We wish to organise a Parish trip to the Wintershall Estate, Guildford on Wednesday, 21 June to see The Life of Christ - the greatest story of all time, movingly recreated by a cast of over 200 with authentic detail, outstanding quality sound and music - an experience not to be missed. We intend to travel by coach from St Joseph's Church leaving at 8am to arrive in time for the performance, in three acts, which commences at 10am.

The experience ends at 3.30pm after which you would be returned to St Joseph's Church Snacks and sandwiches, hot and cold drinks are available to purchase at the event.

Please call Alison Gornall 07880 946085 or email socialcommitteestjosephs@gmail.com by TUESDAY this week for information or to express interest in the first instance. Thank you.

CONGRATULATIONS to our 30 Young parishioners who received the Sacrament of Confirmation this week
ST JOSEPHS GOLF DAY - due to great response we are now sold out for this year's golf day. Dinner only is available is £22. Final numbers have to be in this weekend. Please call Angela on 07940 584225 if you would like to come for the evening.



Bella Notte

An evening of music from, or inspired by, Italy,
Saturday June 17th at 7.30pm at
Most Holy Redeemer Church, Sawbridgeworth.
Tickets £7 adult, £4 child or £20 family ticket
available from Clare Hodgson after Mass at MHR
or e-mail: mhrparishlunch@btinternet.com
(In Aid of CAFOD's Syria fund)



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Collections 6/7 May 2017
St Josephs and the English Martyrs:
Collection: £1437.87 / Standing Orders April Total (£7546.84)
Holy Cross
Collection: £51.36 / Standing Orders: April Total (£910)
Most Holy Redeemer:
Collection: £231.71/ Standing Orders April Total £704.33
Zambia Collection - £575



Baptism: Forms and information are available from the Parish Office.
Marriage: enquiries call the Parish Office or email RCIA : Applications open 17/4/17 Course starts Sept.
First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion Now closed for 2016/7
Confirmation: Applications for 2017 are closed

*Hail Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary Mother of God, pray for us
sinners, now and at the hour of our death.
Amen*