



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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 Diocese of Westminster Charity No. 233699

Sunday 18th June 2017 –The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9am Mass Special Intention Bridget Broderick
 11am Mass Neil Duffy RIP

6pm Mass Terry Bartlett RIP

Most Holy Redeemer (Sayesbury Road, Sawbridgeworth):

9.00am Mass Manchester Terror Attack Victims

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

11.15 am Mass People of the Parish

Monday 19th June – St Romuald, Abbot

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

10.30 am Requiem Mass- Graham Brunson RIP

Tuesday 20th June –St Alban, Protomartyr

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

NO MASS

Wednesday 21st June- St Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9.30 am Mass- Private Intentions

Thursday 22nd June –STS John Fisher and Thomas More Martyrs

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9.30 am Mass- Thomasina Harmon RIP

Friday 23rd June– The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9.30am Mass – People of the Parish

Saturday 24th June–The Nativity of John the Baptist

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

5pm- 5.45pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Sacrament of Reconciliation

6pm Mass - William Ibbotson 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.

Fr Peter writes:

At about this time each year, the Cardinal announces changes of Priests that are to take place in the Parishes of the Diocese. I have to tell you that Fr Fortunato has been appointed to a new post in the Parish of Hounslow in West London and will leave us at the beginning of September. He has been with us for two years and I, personally, have enjoyed his presence here immensely. I am sorry to see him leave but wish him every grace in his new appointment. I will make sure that as a whole Parish Community we will have an opportunity to say "good bye" to him properly!!

Fr Carlos Quito will be ordained Priest at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 24th of June. He is to be our new Assistant Priest and I know you will join me in giving him a very warm welcome. Having a newly ordained priest is a great responsibility for all of us. He has been working as a Deacon in the Parish of Burnt Oak in North London for the last year.

So I ask you all to join with me in saying a fond farewell to Fr Fortunato and a glad welcome to Fr Carlos, and to keep them both in our prayers.

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

ECHO

Echo is a retreat for young adults aged 16-25. It is an opportunity to explore the beauty and depth of what the Church teaches about what is to be human, and how we can be happy. We are inviting you to join us in a journey to discover more of who you were made to be; we will have live music, sports, art, times for questions, times for prayer, times to learn and lots of good food and conversations. Ever wondered what you were made for? Want to live 'fully alive'? Come join us to find what ECHOs in your heart. More information: rebekahcurran@rcdow.org.uk / <http://dowym.com/events/echo-theology-body-retreat/>

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 info contact either Debbie Hourihan on 07584-623472 / 01279-311858 or Pauline O'Driscoll on 07594-436348

ST JOHN BOSCO CHILDRENS CAMP- The St Vincent de Paul Society has been running the St John Bosco Camp for Catholic Children for more than 60 years. Bookings are now being taken for the Boys & Girls Camp (22/7-5/8 and 5/8-12/8 respectively). Camp donation is £145 for a week's stay. Booking forms can be found www.svboscocamp.org or via Boys booking Secretary Paul Hayes 07534065347 or for girls Gemma 07491811167(6-9p)

LORETO REUNION 2017 Saturday 24th June 2.30 - 5pm open to any past pupil and is a wonderful opportunity to see how the school has changed, hear from the present head Mrs Marie Lynch about the future and to catch up on the news of your friends who you went to school with. We serve afternoon tea at 3pm (for which we ask a contribution of £5 per person). Come on your own to see who might be there from your year or why not use this as an opportunity to contact as many girls as you can and meet up for a chat. Please let us know if you are coming so that we can cater accordingly. loretoreunion@outlook.com

VACANCY -St. Augustine's Catholic School, Hoddesdon, is looking for an experienced teacher to join their lovely team. For further details, please contact Carol Branch, PA to the Headteacher on 01992 463549 Ext 4 or cbranch@staugustines.herts.sch.uk

JUNIOR CHOIR On Sunday July 2nd the 9am Junior choir invites new singers to join them at Mass for a taster sing. This will be followed by a practice and mini performance for the parents in the Parish Centre during coffee. Please speak to any of the music team for more info

PARISH MAGAZINE: Copy welcome for the next issue of the Magazine, deadline Friday, 7th July. Kindly e-mail items for inclusion to astriddavies@hotmail.co.uk or leave with Debbie in the Parish Office.

WED. AFTERNOON GROUP Join us to celebrate the summer solstice (any excuse....) with 'Tea in the Garden' on 21st June at 60, Mazoe Road, from 2 p.m. Cream teas, cakes, drinks etc.... For further info please call Jill on 657575 or Doreen on 325326. Everyone welcome

PARISH CENTRE USER GROUPS COMMITTEE next meet on Tues 27 June in the Upper Room WCC at 7.30 -9.00pm. It would be most helpful if each Parish Group that uses the Centre could be represented to discuss the shared responsibility of its use. Enquiries: BS 652060

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for June is for 'Peace and Healing'

RCIA 2017/2018

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 or boyfriend or neighbour? Have you missed out on some of the Sacraments? If the answer is "YES" to any of these questions COME and JOIN the **Journey of Faith** (RCIA) at St Joseph's, Bishop's Stortford. A programme of talks and discussions are held in a very informal and friendly atmosphere, and these will run from October to Easter.

It doesn't matter if you are not a Christian, or are from another Denomination, or have been baptised in to the Catholic Church but have not yet received the other Sacraments. This is the right place for you to explore the beliefs, faith, Sacraments and rites of the Catholic Church and, if you want to, to become a full member.

Therefore if you are interested contact as soon as possible Fr Fortunato at bishopsstortford@rcdow.org.uk or call 01279 654063.

THE PARISH FAMILY FUN DAY AND BBQ

The Parish Family Fun Day & BBQ takes place on Sunday 9th July. Over the next few weeks the Social Committee will be asking for donations of various items needed for stalls and raffle prizes that hopefully you may be able to help with. We would be very grateful please to receive any donations of **MUGS and/or TOILETRIES** and **UNOPENED BOTTLES** We would also like suitable **RAFFLE PRIZES** please. These can be left in the box at the back of St Joseph's Church. Thank you very much for all donations so far

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Collections 10th / 11th June 2017
St Josephs and the English Martyrs:
 Collection: £1,439.49 /Standing Orders May Total £7,629.34
Holy Cross
 Collection: £68.80 / Standing Orders: May Total £660
Most Holy Redeemer:
 Collection: £130.68 / Standing Orders May Total £488

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*