



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 21st May 2017 – 6th Sunday of Easter

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9am Mass Kit McNally RIP
 11am Mass Fernanda Cumha RIP
 12.30 pm Baptism Jose Lucas Maurato de Jesus
 Christian Zuccarello
 6pm Mass Felisa Ditan 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 22nd May St Rita of Cascia, Religious

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9.30 am Mass- Private Intention of Peter Zurenkas

Tuesday 23rd May – Easter feria

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9.30 am Mass- All those who are in Hospital

Wednesday 24th May- Easter feria

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

NO MASS

Thursday 25th May – St Bede the Venerable

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9.30 am Mass- Mae O' Connor RIP
 11.45am Mass – St Mary's Year 11 Leavers

Friday 26th May – St Philip Neri, Priest

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9.30am Mass – Deceased Friends and Relatives

Saturday 27th May – St Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

5pm- 5.45pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament &
 Sacrament of Reconciliation
 6pm Mass - Joan Carroll 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. **The Novena begins next Friday, 26th and there are a number of items available after Mass today to help you! A fuller Novena booklet; a list of events, and 5@5 prayer cards for everyone to take.**

Please make a special effort to come to the events being held by Holy Cross Catholic community at St Andrew's, Much Hadham, a short drive away. Especially the 6pm Service next Sunday, 28th and the Holy Hour at 7pm on Thurs 1st June.

Remember to try to pray for 5 people you know to come to Jesus through this time of prayer – Pray for 5 people at 5pm each day of the Novena – 5@5

See: www.thykingdomcome.global

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!!!

THANKYOU FROM THE WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON CLUB – to all those who came to the lunch this week and helped to raise £150 for Macmillan Nurses.

GENERAL ELECTION HUSTINGS CHAIRED BY CTBS. The Churches Together event, which will be chaired by Rev John Walford, is on Tuesday 30th May at the Charis Centre, Water Lane. It will start at 7:30 pm and finish at 9:30 pm. The event is open to all and booking is not required: please come and encourage friends to do so. Each candidate (for our Hertford and Stortford constituency) will make an opening statement outlining their reason for wanting to represent us in Parliament. Questions for candidates need to be submitted in advance: they will be collated by the CTBS Organiser David Clapham so if you have a question you would like to put to the candidates please e-mail it to david.clapham@ntlworld.com by 24th May.

READERS AT MASS. There will be a short training session for existing Readers and those interesting in joining the Ministry of Reading, at 3.30-4.30 p.m on Saturday 27th March in St Joseph's Church. The purpose is to discuss good practice, offer advice and support and to meet other readers. If you are interested please contact Marie Rhodes (m.j.rhodes@btinternet.com) or just turn up on the day."

THANKYOU – to everyone who contributed towards the Priests Training Fund. Together we raised £1,635.11 (£1,025.11 cash plus £610 in cheques)

ST JOHN BOSCOE CHILDRENS CAMP- The St Vincent de Paul Society has been running the St John Boscoe 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.svpboscocamp.org or via Boys booking Secretary Paul Hayes 07534065347 or for girls Gemma 07491811167 6-9p



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. It will be held in the Parish Centre if wet.

For more info please contact Marie Rhodes on 656482.

LEA VALLEY DEANERY EVENT- Tuesday June 20th 7.30pm The Parish Centre, The Sacred Heart of Jesus and St Joseph, King Edward's Rd, Ware SG12 7EJ. The Santa Marta Group is an alliance of international police chiefs and bishops working with civil society to eradicate human trafficking and modern day slavery. Their Deputy Director, Mike Duthie, will give a presentation with discussion and refreshments - an opportunity for us to increase awareness of this scourge on our world and the support being given to victims.

SPIRIT IN THE CITY –Leicester Square Friday 9 June – Saturday 10 June. 'Annual Evangelisation Festival' in the West End of London. The Catholic faith communities across the diocese will join forces to offer a Catholic festival dedicated to evangelisation in our capital city: with times of prayer, teaching, celebration and outreach. This year we are excited to be joined by the RISE Theatre Company who will be performing 'Romero – Heartbeat of El Salvador' – a powerful original production, looking at the life and legacy of a man who chose to challenge those in power and stand up for social justice. There is a fantastic line up of music this year as we welcome back Noel Robinson, MC Tempo and Soul Sanctuary among others. See www.spiritinthecity.org



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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Safeguarding
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SVP (St Joseph's): 0750 409 9571



Collections 13/14th May 2017

St Josephs and the English Martyrs:

Collection: £1413.21 /Standing Orders April Total (£7546.84)
Holy Cross

Collection: £79.95 / Standing Orders: April Total (£910)

Most Holy Redeemer:

Collection: £121.60/ Standing Orders April Total £704.33)
 Priest Training Fund Total £1,635.11



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*