





# 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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Live streaming from St Joseph's: [www.churchservices.tv/bishopsstortford](http://www.churchservices.tv/bishopsstortford)  
Diocese of Westminster Charity No. 233699

## Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2017 – 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9am Mass Andy Moloney and Joseph Stehl RIP  
11am Mass Donald Paul Clark RIP  
12.30pm Baptism Ignatius Joshua Yardley  
6pm Mass William Anthony Sebastian RIP

### Most Holy Redeemer (Sayesbury Road, Sawbridgeworth):

9.00 am Mass – Catherine Foley RIP

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

11.15 am Mass – Simon Geatrell RIP

## Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – St John of Capestrano, Priest

### St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9.30 am Mass - Richard & Connie Morris Special Intention

## Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October – St Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

### St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9.30am- Mass - Fr Augustine Foley RIP

## Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October – feria

### St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9.30am Mass - Eduardo Braz RIP

## Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October- Sts Chad and Cedd, Bishops

### St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9.30am- Mass - Prayer for Kenya

## Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October – feria

### St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9.30am- Mass - Robert Charles Scott RIP

## Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October – STS Simon and Jude, Apostles

### St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

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

6pm Mass – Gerry Matthews 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.



As Fr. Carlos is keen to know everyone in the parish, he is happy to come and visit you. If you are interested to have him over for a visit, please send an email to [bishopsstortford@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:bishopsstortford@rcdow.org.uk). From there, Fr. Carlos will arrange a time and date to come over.

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

**MHR ANNUAL LUNCH** - on Sunday 19 November at the Sawbridgeworth Cricket Club Pavilion. All welcome. Please see poster/list at back of MHR church for more details and to sign up, or email [mhrparishlunch@btinternet.com](mailto:mhrparishlunch@btinternet.com)

**MHR 100 CLUB** -Subscriptions for the 2017/18 year are nearly due. Please see flyer at the back of MHR church for more details or contact Alan Hodgson on 01279 600430

**CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE**-Applicants for St Mary's School 2018 may like to collect a lilac coloured application form for a certificate. It can be collected from No 3 Windhill or the Parish Office in person. Once completed it should then be posted through the letter box of number 3 Windhill marked for Father Peter's attention **with a stamped addressed envelope please**. The certificate will then be posted to you. The school deadline for applications is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017

**FREE SAFEGUARDING TRAINING** - The Catholic Trust of England and Wales has a package of E-learning programmes that are available free of charge to every member of the Catholic community in England and Wales. See <http://rcdow.org.uk/diocese/safeguarding-about-our-training/>

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE NIGHT SHELTER**- The winter Night Shelter will re-open in early December at Holy Trinity Church Hall supported by Churches Together in Bishop's Stortford. A welcome is provided to "these brothers and sisters of Mine" with hot meals, washing facilities and a safe bed. If you feel you might like to volunteer your help, please e-mail [susan.self@btinternet.com](mailto:susan.self@btinternet.com)

**THANK YOU** to everyone that attended the Charity Barn Dance last Saturday. We raised an amazing £665 in aid of taking the sick disabled and terminally ill of our parish to Lourdes next October with the Charity Across via Jumbulance. We have set an ambitious fundraising target of £8,500, so we need your help to achieve this. Please donate either via [www.justgiving.com/fundraising/debbie-hourihan](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/debbie-hourihan) or text StJO50 £5 to 70070 to donate £5. By donating you can make a difference to people who need it, your money will help them achieve a trip of a lifetime



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

**November** is the month of the Holy Souls.

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> is the Feast of All Saints, a **HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**, with Masses at St Joseph's at 9.30am and 7.30pm. Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> is the Feast of All Souls with morning Mass at St Joseph's at 9.30am

This will be followed by the Blessing of Graves: at **Bishop's Stortford Town Cemetery**, Cemetery Road, straight after the morning Mass at 10.30am. Graves in the Cemetery by St Thomas', **Perry Green** will be blessed at 12.30pm Graves in **Sawbridgeworth Cemetery** will also be blessed at 12.30pm

**AFTERNOON OF RECOLLECTION** on the topic of 'Our Lady' 28 Oct. 3pm-5.30pm in the WCC led by Sr Gillian. Refreshments available. All welcome

## PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES with 'ACROSS' via Jumbulance 4<sup>th</sup>- 13<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Next October we will be embarking on a Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes taking the sick, disabled and terminally ill of the parish with 'Across.' 'Across' is a charity created specifically to provide transport and support to enable those with special care needs to go on pilgrimages to Lourdes via a Jumbulance (Jumbo-ambulance) Fr Carlos will be our Spiritual Leader, but, we also need a doctor, nurses, male and female helpers as well as those helpers that are able, but unable to push wheelchairs. No experience necessary, just a kind heart and a willingness to help is required. We would also like to hear from those who are sick, disabled and terminally ill who would welcome a pilgrimage to Lourdes. Priority is given to those with a terminal illness, those with progressive diseases and those whose medical conditions make it impossible or impractical to use conventional means of transport. The cost of the pilgrimage is £750, but subsidies may be available. An Across group is a 'family group,' remaining together throughout, helping each other in times of need. You will be fulfilled and inspired during a truly amazing week. If you would like more information, please contact either Debbie Hourihan 07584 623472 or Pauline O'Driscoll 07594 46348.

**A MUSICAL CELEBRATION** – St Michael's Church Sat 25 Nov 7.30pm. A stunning evening of music from a varied repertoire of songs from the shows and well known male voice pieces. Tickets £10 – in aid of St Michaels Bell Tower. Tickets available from St Michael's Church office, the Tourist Info. Centre or on the door. For more info phone Dick Prime 01279-657867.

**THANKYOU** to our Fantastic team of Volunteers who worked really hard this week and gave their time sweeping, cleaning, mopping and polishing St Joseph's. Please help us to keep our Church tidy by taking home any rubbish with you after Mass. This often includes used tissues & half eaten biscuits!

**CELEBRATE** – Catholic Charismatic Weekend Conference for all age groups at Nicholas Breakespear School St Albans on Sat 28 October 9am – 9.30pm and Sun 29<sup>th</sup> Oct 9.30am -4pm <https://www.celebrateconference.org/st-albans/>. Tickets £12 - £40. Fee includes a Sat evening meal. Please see the web site for more information or call Tim Stevens 07875 848138. Enjoy Spirit led teaching, theatre productions from RISE, seminars and workshops. There will also be excellent Children's & Youth Ministry with fun, faith-based streams for all ages with experienced leaders

"**WALK WITH ME**" is a day workshop to be held on the 4th of November in central London for Catholic family members of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender people. Mgr. Keith Barltrop, chaplain to the Westminster LGBT+ Catholic community, will be speaking alongside family members of LGBT+ people. Info and a registration form can be found on <http://www.lgbtcatholic.org.uk/workshop-2017>

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION Parish-wide**  
Application forms for all those who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2018 will be available from the Sacristy from Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October  
**Applicants only are to sign for a form and must have a birthday on or before 31 August 2003 (Year 10 and above)**  
The last day for receiving completed forms into No. 3 Windhill will be **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at the very latest**. Session dates to be advised.



## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION AT HOLY CROSS AND MOST HOLY REDEEMER

Application forms and sign- up sheets are now available for Children who wish to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion at Most Holy Redeemer or Holy Cross and who will be at least 8 years old on or before 31 August 2018 Please introduce yourself to Father Peter or Father Carlos after Mass

*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*



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Collections 14<sup>th</sup>/ 15<sup>th</sup> October 2017  
*St Josephs and the English Martyrs:*  
Collection: £1442.63  
*Holy Cross*  
Collection: £70.48  
*Most Holy Redeemer:*  
Collection: £ 141.30



**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**  
Applications Closed  
**Confirmation:** Applications for 2018 open