



# 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 25<sup>th</sup> June 2017 – 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*

9am Mass People of the Parish  
11am Mass Mike Frost RIP  
12.30pm Baptism Isabella Olive Redding  
Elizabeth Florence Richardson  
6pm Mass The Towle Family Intention

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

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

### Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June – feria

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*  
9.30 am Mass- Molly Bradley RIP

## Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June – St John Southworth, Priest and Martyr

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*  
09.30 am Requiem Mass – Cornelius O'Keeffe RIP

## Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June- St Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*  
9.30 am Mass- Special Intention

## THURSDAY 29TH JUNE – STS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

### HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*  
9.30 am Mass - Patricia Stott RIP  
7.30 pm Mass – Private Intentions

## Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June– The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*  
9.30am Mass – Catherine Hillen RIP

## Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July–Dedication of the Cathedral

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*  
5pm- 5.45pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament &  
Sacrament of Reconciliation  
6pm Mass - Joyce Morris 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.

## From last week's Newsletter: Fr Peter writes:

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. 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 was ordained Priest at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> of June. He is to be our new Assistant Priest and I know you will join me in giving him a very warm welcome.

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.

**CHRISTIAN AID COLLECTION**- Thank you to those who collected for Christian Aid during May. St. Joseph's total was £244.00, up from £177.00 last year. Total raised by the town's Churches is £9,000.

**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

**THE NOVENA** will be on Wednesday 28 June after Mass at St Josephs. Everyone is very welcome.



### VOLUNTEERS WANTED PLEASE

Tea & coffee is enjoyed in the Parish Centre (WCC) at St Joseph's most weeks after the Sunday 9am & 11am Mass. It is a lovely way for our Parishioners new and old to get to know each other, over a cuppa, with biscuits and sometimes cake! Unfortunately the number of our 11am Mass volunteer helpers has reduced recently so we are appealing for some more help please.

**If you are able to help just once a month by going on our 'Refreshment rota' we would be very grateful.**

Please contact Vanessa Calladine via the Parish Office for more information. Thank you

**TERRY O'CARROLL RIP** – Very sadly, Terry O' Carroll, who was well known in the parish passed away last weekend. Brenda would like to invite all friends and Parishioners to join her for a 'colourful and joyful' service of 'Celebration and Thanksgiving for Terry's life' on Tuesday 4th July 2017 at St Joseph's Church. 11a.m. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the Windhill Churches Centre.

**VACANCY** - St. Augustine's Catholic Primary School are looking for a KS2 class teacher to join their lovely team in one of our small upper key stage two classes, for September 2017. This can be a job share position and days and hours can be negotiated as timetable is confirmed. NQT's are welcome to apply. For further details, please contact Mrs Gillian Napier, Headteacher via Mrs C Branch, HT Secretary on 01992463549 ext. 4 or email: [cbranch@staugustines.herts.sch.uk](mailto: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](mailto:astriddavies@hotmail.co.uk) or leave with Debbie in the Parish Office.

**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

**READERS AT MASS** - For those who were unable to attend the training session on 27th May, there will be another short training session for existing readers and those interesting in joining the Ministry of Reading, at **3.30-4.30 pm on Saturday 1st July 2017 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.i.rhodes@btinternet.com](mailto:m.i.rhodes@btinternet.com)) or turn up on the day.

**ST ELIZABETHS** are advertising for a variety of staff including Care support workers, night care assistants and residential learning support assistants as well as volunteers. Please call 0129 843451 or see [www.stelizabeths.org.uk](http://www.stelizabeths.org.uk)

**THANKYOU** to everyone who supported the 'Bella Notte' concert at Most Holy Redeemer. An amazing £1,192 was raised for CAFOD's Syria appeal.

**LADIES ITALIAN SHOPPING EVENING** -St. Theresa's Church, Stansted will be hosting an Italian Shopping Evening for ladies on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July at 7.15pm in the Parish Centre to raise money for the charity EACH (East Anglia's Children's Hospices), a charity who support families and care for children and young people with life-threatening conditions. Tickets £7 and includes a glass of Prosecco and nibbles. Call Ann-Marie Dickason on 07876 755347 or Anna Watkins on 07810417646 for tickets and info.



## 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](mailto:bishopsstortford@rcdow.org.uk) or call 01279 654063.

## THE PARISH FAMILY FUN DAY AND BBQ



The whole Parish Family Fun Day & BBQ takes place on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> 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 18th / 19th June 2017  
*St Josephs and the English Martyrs:*  
Collection: £1,301.27 /Standing Orders May Total £7,629.34  
*Holy Cross*  
Collection: £71.10 / Standing Orders: May Total £660  
*Most Holy Redeemer:*  
Collection: £173.55/ 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*