

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 Carlos Quito

Parish Office: Windhill Churches Centre, 1st Floor * 10am - 3pm Monday to Friday Postal Address: 3 Windhill, Bishops Stortford, Herts CM23 2ND Tel: 01279 654063 * Email: bishopsstortford@rcdow.org.uk * Website: http://parish.rcdow.org.uk/bishopsstortford Live streaming from St Joseph's: www.churchservices.tv/bishopsstortford Diocese of Westminster Charity No. 233699

Sunday 25th February 2018 – 2nd Sunday of Lent

ST JOSEPH AND THE ENGLISH MARTYRS:

9am Mass Joseph Stehl & Andy Moloney RIP 11am Mass James Strang RIP Geraldine Gallagher RIP 6pm Mass

MOST HOLY REDEEMER (Sayesbury Road, Sawbridgeworth): 9.00 am Mass – The People of our Parish

HOLY CROSS (at St Andrew's, Church Lane, Much Hadham): 11.15 am Mass - The People of our Parish

> Monday 26th February – Lent feria St Joseph and the English Martyrs: 9.30am Mass – Jane & Sid Huckett RIP

Tuesday 27th February – Lent feria St Joseph and the English Martyrs: 9.30 am Mass – Samuel Hopley RIP

Wednesday 28th February- Lent feria St Joseph and the English Martyrs: 6.30 am Mass - The People of our Parish 9.30 am Mass - Mark Goodfield RIP

Thursday 1st March – St David, Bishop, Patron of Wales St Joseph and the English Martyrs: 9.30am Mass - Seamus Burke RIP 1pm Funeral service – Thomas Philip Keenan RIP

> Friday 2nd March – Lent feria St Joseph and the English Martyrs: 9.30am Mass – Michael Glynn RIP

Saturday 3rd March– Lent feria St Joseph and the English Martyrs: 5pm- 5.45pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Sacrament of Reconciliation 6pm Mass – Linda Naylor RIP

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Mass requests

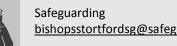
Please fill in the envelope provided, the date & time you would like the Mass with a contact number/ E-mail address and hand in to the Sacristy, Parish Office or 3 Windhill with your donation. Thank you very much.



Parish Administrator – Debbie Jackson

Parish Office: 01279 654063 (9am-3pm Mon - Fri)

Parish Centre Bookings and All Enquiries: bishopsstortford@rcdow.org.uk



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FINANCIAL MATTERS

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES for Tax Year starting 6th April 2018: The new Planned Giving Envelopes will be available for you to collect on the weekend of 17/18 March. Your new envelopes will have the same number as before, and the boxes will be arranged in numerical order. The new envelopes must NOT be used until the weekend of 7/8 April. If your circumstances have changed and either you no longer wish to make your donation using envelopes, or if you would like to start using envelopes, please let us know see below for contact details.

GIFT AID: The Tax Year ends on 5th April and we will be submitting our Gift Aid Claim for 2017/18 soon after that. If you are registered for Gift Aid but are no longer eligible because you will have stopped paying UK Income Tax before 5th April 2016 it is important that you let us know immediately, using one of the methods mentioned below, with the date that you stopped paying tax.

PLANNED GIVING Our Planned Giving Campaigns last year at St. Joseph's and Holy Cross were extremely successful, for which we thank you. If you are new to the parish, or your circumstances have changed and you would like to join our Planned Giving scheme, application cards are available at the back of the church. Contributions can be made using weekly envelopes or by Standing Order – which is more efficient for both the donor and the parish. Standing Order Forms are also available at the back of the church. If you are a UK Tax Payer and not already registered for Gift Aid, we would urge you to do so. This will enable the parish to obtain an additional 25p for every £1 that you contribute – with no cost to yourself. Last year the parish claimed back over £34,000 in Gift Aid, which helps us to meet the running costs of the parish and to continue with the various repair and decoration schemes needed to maintain the fabric of our buildings. To register you will need to complete a Gift Aid Declaration form, available at the back of the church.

CONTACT DETAILS. To make any changes to your offertory arrangements, please contact the Parish Office by email at bishopsstortford@rcdow.org.uk, a note to No 3, or by phoning 01279 654063 (9am to 3pm) and leaving a message.

Thank you for your continued support.

Collections 17th/ 18th February 2018 Loose Coin & Envelopes St Josephs and the English Martyrs: Collection: £1383.36 January D/D £7,979.84 Holy Cross Collection: £45.10 January D/D £1,285 Most Holy Redeemer: Collection: £134.00 January D/D £667.33

BEETLE DRIVE at Most Holy Redeemer on Sat. 3rd March with a prompt start at 6.30p.m. Family ticket £10 - Single £3. Please bring a cake to share Tickets from Karin Keddy after Mass. All proceeds to St. Lawrence's Zambia **BEGINNING EXPERIENCE** - There is a healing weekend for men and women who find themselves single again following separation, divorce or the death of a partner from 20th to 22nd April 2018 at the Domus Mariae Centre, Chigwell, Essex. For more details please telephone Freda 01322-838415 or Sandra 01293-783965 or email johnabrotherton@hotmail.co.uk.

ST JOSEPHS CHARITY GOLF DAY this year will be on Friday 13th April at the Bishop's Stortford Golf Club. Order of the day; Coffee and bacon rolls on arrival, 18 holes golf, 1st tee off at 1.30pm. 2 course dinner at 7.30pm and all for £60. We look forward to hearing from you on email either to angelatyson1293@hotmail.com or wilkinsondavid@mac.com.

A MASS FOR BEREAVED PARENTS – Saturday 10th March 2018, 2.30pm at Westminster Cathedral.

HOLIDAY BIBLE WEEK BOOKINGS open 25 Feb www.holidaybibleweek.co.uk Adult help is needed please see our web site for more info.

ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL nursery class application process for admissions for September 2018 is now open for children born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015. Application forms can be obtained from the school office or the website

www.stjosephs207.herts.sch.uk Completed application forms must be received in the school office by Friday, 16th March 2018.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2018. The WWDP, will be held on 2nd March 2018 at 11a.m in Holy Trinity Church B/S and a Prayer Service will take place in the Congregational Church, Sawbridgeworth the same day at 2p.m. All are welcome

ST MARYS VACANCIES - Invigilator and Science Technician, Catering Assistant and DT Technician posts see <u>www.stmarys.net</u> for more info. ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL – require a Teaching Assistant. Please contact Ann Cassidy-Jones on 01279 652576, or email: admin@stjosephs207.herts.sch.uk **CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE-**Applicants for Nursery Schools in 2018 may like to collect an orange coloured application form for a certificate. Collect 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 be posted to you.

SPONSORSHIP - Vicki Ingram is running the Virgin London Marathon for St Elizabeth's. There is a sponsor form at the back of St Josephs or an online just giving page on our web site if you are able to help please. Thank you. A CALL TO YOUNG ADULTS - Cardinal Vincent and the Auxiliary Bishops of the diocese are inviting Catholic young adults, aged 18 to 30, to meet with them to discuss the theme of the next Synod of Bishops - 'Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment'. Please see our website for more info.

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Baptism: Forms and information are available from the Parish Office.

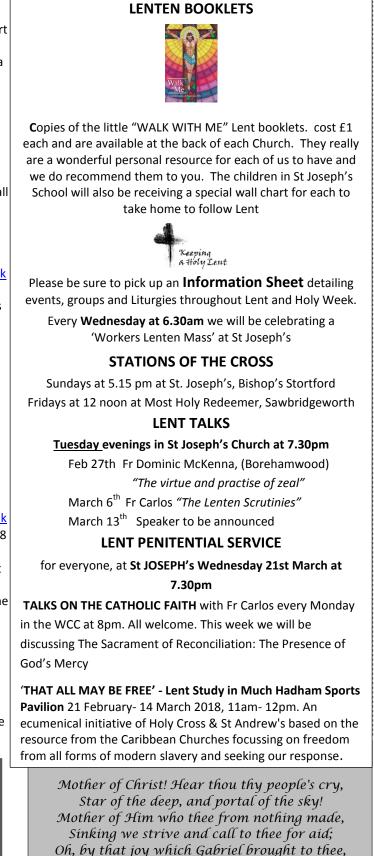
> Marriage: enquiries call the Parish Office or email RCIA : Applications closed

First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion

Applications Closed







Thou Virgin first and last, let us thy mercy see.