





# 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

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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 15<sup>th</sup> April 2018 Third Sunday of Easter

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*

9am Mass Mary Matthews RIP  
 11am Mass Lilian Doreen Penez & Louis Auguste Penez RIP  
 12.30pm Baptism Cadence & Denice Fung  
 6pm Mass Mary Bradley RIP

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

9.00am Mass Irene Wall RIP

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

11.15am Mass People of the Parish

## Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April Easter feria

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*  
 9.30am Mass - People of the Parish

## Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April - Easter feria

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*  
 9.30am Mass - Those who are Sick

## Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> April- Easter feria

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*  
 9.30am Mass - Holy Father's Prayer Intentions

## Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April - St Alphege

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*  
 9.30am Mass - Dominic Rodrigues RIP

## Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April - Easter feria

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*  
 9.30am Mass - Canon Digby Samuels RIP

## Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> April - St Anselm, Bishop & Doctor

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

**CONFIRMATION PREPARATION** - A reminder that the third talk from Fr Peter to our Confirmation Candidates will be on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2018 at 4.30pm followed by 6pm Mass.

**POSTPONED BEETLE DRIVE at MHR** will take place on Sat. 28th April. Prompt start 6.30p.m. Please do not forget the cakes!  
**RED MISSIO BOXES AT MHR** - If you have a Red Missio Box from Most Holy Redeemer please kindly give it to Len who is now collecting them.

**ZAMKNIT & CHAT** at MHR on Tuesday, 24th April at 2p.m.  
**ENCOUNTER** meet next Fri. 20th April at St Theresa's. Stansted 'Living with faith: a burden or a blessing? A talk & discussion led by Fr David Clemens (Saffron Walden parish). 10am coffee 10.30am meeting opens 12.30pm shared lunch 2.00 day ends. (There is Mass at 9.30am at St Theresa's) All welcome for all or part of the day. Enquiries: B/S 814865 or 652060

**WED. AFTERNOON GROUP** meeting this Wed. 18th April at 12 Salisbury Close, from 2 p.m. Everyone welcome to join us for tea / coffee and cakes. Please contact Doreen 325326 or Jill 657575 for information, help with transport etc. or just turn up!!

**SUPPORT GROUP** - If you are lonely, alone, caring for someone, or need support please join us we meet first Tuesday of each month at Coach and Horses B/S. From 10am to 12pm. All welcome. This is run by 'Home instead senior care' and is free for anyone to attend.

**LOVING4LIFE MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND 28-29 April**  
 Douai Abbey, Upper Woolhampton, Reading RG7 5TQ, Cost per couple £125. To book <https://www.loving4life.co.uk/retreats>  
**ST ANDREWS CHURCH MUCH HADHAM** - Martin Dillon will give an interesting talk on the history of St Andrews at 11.15 am on Saturday 28 April 2018. The existing building was built between about 1220 and 1450 when the Porch, the "newest" part of the Church (apart from the Victorian vestry) was completed. The talk will last approx. 1 hour and all are welcome. Parking is available in Church Lane.

### ST JOHN BOSCO CHILDREN'S SUMMER HOLIDAY CAMP

The St Vincent de Paul Society has been running the St John Bosco Camp for Catholic Children for more than 60 years. The camp runs for two weeks during the summer holidays from 21 July to 4 August. The Boys camp age range is 8 - 13 years and the girls is 9-12 years. Children are accepted for one week only. There is a suggested donation of £145 per child. Booking is online at : [www.svpboscocamp.org.uk/apply](http://www.svpboscocamp.org.uk/apply) For further info on the boys camp contact Andrew Sinnott & Charles Theisinger by email on [boysbookings@boscocamp.co.uk](mailto:boysbookings@boscocamp.co.uk) or for girls Gemma O' Flaherty on [girlsbookings@boscocamp.co.uk](mailto:girlsbookings@boscocamp.co.uk)



## YOUTH OPEN MIC Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April 4-6pm

Calling all young musicians and singers- Come and perform your favourite song and support others sharing their talents at the Youth Open Mic afternoon taking place on April 28th 4-6 pm at the Windhill Churches Centre. Open to musicians (grade 2 and above), singing groups and soloists. Sign- up sheets available at the back of St. Joseph's Church  
**PARISH MAGAZINE:** Deadline for the next edition of the Magazine is **Friday 27th April** - plenty of time to get your copy in - please e-mail to [astriddaavies@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:astriddaavies@hotmail.co.uk) or leave with Debbie in the Parish Office  
**HOLIDAY BIBLE WEEK BOOKINGS** [www.holidaybibleweek.co.uk](http://www.holidaybibleweek.co.uk)  
 Please book now to secure a place for this summer. **The deadline is 16<sup>th</sup> April.** Adult help is also needed please see our web site for more info.  
**WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES** -The next World Meeting of Families with Pope Francis takes place in Dublin from 21<sup>st</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> August. This gathering brings together couples, families and individuals from all over the world to celebrate, pray, and reflect on the joys and challenges of marriage and family life. To find out about joining our Westminster Diocesan Group please email [family@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:family@rcdow.org.uk), and to visit the World Meeting of Families website just type in [www.worldmeeting2018.ie](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie).

**TALKS ON THE CATHOLIC FAITH** with Fr Carlos every Monday in the WCC at 8pm. All welcome. We will be discussing 'Forms of Prayer and the *Our Father*'

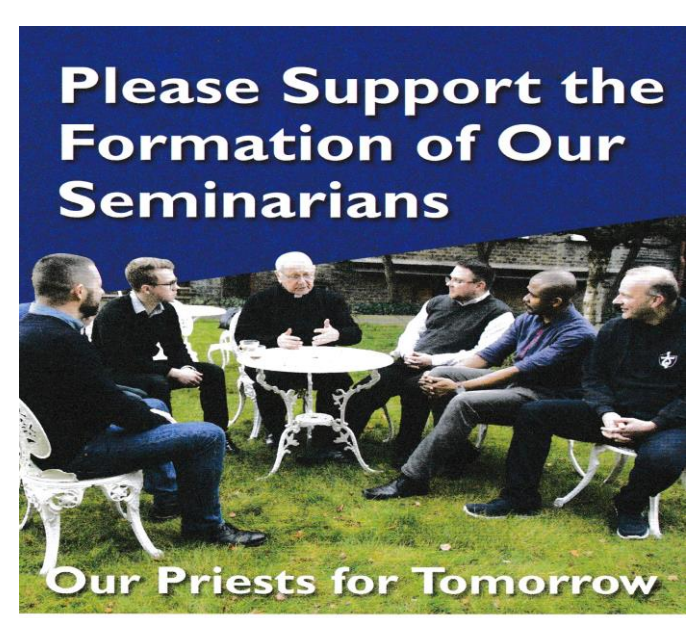
**SALVATION ARMY BAND** -Musical evening at the Bishop's Stortford Methodist Church Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> April 7pm £5 Admission in aid of the Bible Society

## NATIONAL CATHOLIC'S MEN PILGRIMAGE to Walsingham Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 10:30am - 5:30pm

**Venue:** The Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, 2 Common Pl, Walsingham NR22 6EE, Meet, talk and share the faith with other men; listen to speakers; celebrate confession and Mass, pray for families and for the country. We welcome lay and religious, single and married, young and old, fathers and sons. Accommodation for Sat/Sun nights can be booked [www.walsingham.org.uk](http://www.walsingham.org.uk) £5 donation to the Shrine on the day, for teas and entry to Abbey grounds  
 Register via [www.catholicman.uk](http://www.catholicman.uk)

**DADS GROUP** - The Dad's Group will meet again on Wednesday 25 April, at 8pm, in the Upper rooms of the WCC. Robert Purcell will be talking about his recent pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela - the challenges and joys! Please note this will be an open meeting and all members of the Parish are welcome

**A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY** - Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2018 - The Parish Walk. More details will follow...



Please Support the Formation of Our Seminarians

Our Priests for Tomorrow



**PRIEST TRAINING FUND**  
 Diocese of Westminster

## Next weekend is Good Shepherd Sunday, the day we pray for Priests and for vocations to the Priesthood.

The annual collection will also take place next weekend. The fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the catholic priesthood. There are currently 45 men studying at Allen Hall seminary, 28 of whom are for our own Diocese, and last year 8 men ordained to the priesthood serve as our future priests. The fund also supports the ongoing enrichment and formation of our ordained priests. Your generous donation helps ensure we can support these men who are called to be like Christ the Good Shepherd. Donation leaflets are available at the back of the Church. Please continue to pray for vocations and for our priests. Thank you very much.

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Thank you

Collections 7/8 April 2018 Loose Coin & Envelopes  
**St Josephs and the English Martyrs:**  
 Collection: £1136.95  
**Holy Cross**  
 Collection: £38.00  
**Most Holy Redeemer:**  
 Collection: £ 83.00

Sacramental Preparation

**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  
**Confirmation:** Applications now closed

*Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia:  
 The Son whom you merited to bear, alleluia.  
 Has risen, as He said, alleluia.  
 Pray for us to God, alleluia.  
 Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.  
 For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.*