





# 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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 Diocese of Westminster Charity No. 233699

## Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2018- Sixth Sunday of Easter

**St Joseph and the English Martyrs:**  
 9am Mass Andy Moloney & Joseph Stehl RIP  
 11am Mass Theresa & Mary Cannon RIP  
 12.30pm Baptism Emily Grace Cass  
 Jake Austin Dennett  
 6pm Mass Sean Smith RIP

**Most Holy Redeemer (Sayesbury Road, Sawbridgeworth):**  
 9.00am Mass Cliff Poole RIP

**Holy Cross (at St Andrew's, Church Lane, Much Hadham):**  
 11.15am Mass Nicholas John Fitzherbert RIP

### Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May – Easter feria

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*  
 10am Mass – The People of the Parish

### Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May – Easter feria

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*  
 9.30am Mass- Marie Grace RIP

### Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May- Easter feria

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*  
 9.30am Mass – Kathleen & John Barr Special intention

### Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May –The Ascension of the Lord HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*  
 6.30am Mass – Holy Fathers Intention  
 9.30am Mass – James Green RIP  
 11.30am – 3.30pm – St Marys School Service  
 & 7.30pm – **St Theresa's Church, Stansted**

### Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May– Easter feria

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*  
 9.30am Mass – Fr Gordon Cordy RIP

### Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May– Easter feria

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*  
 5pm- 5.45pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament &  
 Sacrament of Reconciliation  
 6pm Mass - James Green 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 CANDIDATES** – Please keep in your prayers all those who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at St Joseph's this Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May with Bishop Paul McAleenan.

**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION – The Ascension of the Lord.** There will be an **additional 6.30am Mass** at St Josephs on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May but unfortunately no evening Mass due to the Confirmation ceremony, however, a Mass at **St Theresa's Stansted 7.30pm**

**CHRISTIAN AID WEEK:** 13th-19th May. The focus this year is on Haiti, where Christian Aid is rebuilding homes destroyed after Hurricane Matthew, designed to withstand future natural disasters. St. Joseph's needs volunteers to help with the house-to-house collection as part of Bishop's Stortford's ecumenical effort to support CA. There is a sign-up list at the back of the church - please see whether you can collect in a road near you - *"Together we're stronger than the storms"*.

**PENNY COLLECTION** – Please help us each week by donating any loose change in the tub at the back of St Josephs. All proceeds will go to help St Lawrence school community in Zambia.

**PARISH WALK** – Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May - Meet from 1.45pm in Maltings Lane next to Holy Cross Church (SG10 6AW) The Route: is: Maltings Lane, Much Hadham to Green Tye. We will stop at the Prince of Wales pub for refreshments or you can bring your own For further info contact Fiona Collings: 501948 or 07790444130

**TALKS ON THE CATHOLIC FAITH** with Fr Carlos every Monday in the WCC at 8pm. All welcome. We will be discussing 'The Trinity'. There will be no meeting next week.

**THANKYOU** to Martin and Diana Dillon for their hospitality and a most interesting talk and tour of St Andrews Church last Saturday  
**REPOSITORY AT ST JOSEPHS** – First Holy Communion gifts and cards are now on sale. Please do take a look.

**ST MARY'S VACANCY** -Teacher of Computer Science -Full-time or part-time considered, Permanent, from September 2018. See [www.stmarys.net](http://www.stmarys.net)

**FR PHILIP'S TALKS** on the Holy Eucharist will be monthly on Tuesdays: 15<sup>th</sup> May 8pm 'The Passover'; 12<sup>th</sup> June 'The Manna in the Desert'; and 10<sup>th</sup> July 'The Bread of the Presence'. **All are welcome to St Augustine's Church, Hoddesdon.**

**HOLIDAY BIBLE WEEK BOOKINGS** [www.holidaybibleweek.co.uk](http://www.holidaybibleweek.co.uk)  
 Thank you very much to those parishioners who have already kindly signed up to help. We do still need more Adult help please... Please see our web site for info.

**ST JOSEPHS SCHOOL MAY FAYRE** – Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May 12pm -4pm  
**THANK YOU** to everyone who contributed towards the ' Medical Missionaries of Mary' last week. **In total we raised £1739.22**

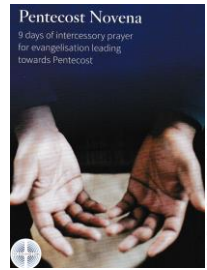
## Thy Kingdom Come

Join the global wave of prayer  
 10th - 20th May 2018

<https://www.thykingdomcome.global/>

Thy Kingdom Come is a global prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray for more people to come to know Jesus. What started in 2016 as an invitation from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York to the Church of England has grown into an international and ecumenical call to prayer, strongly supported the last three years by Cardinal Vincent

During the 11 days of Thy Kingdom Come, it is hoped that everyone who participates will deepen their friendship with Jesus, bring other to know Jesus or know him better, and come to know that every aspect of their life is the stuff of prayer. There are a huge number of resources on the web site.



5 @ 5

There is a Novena booklet which is available at our 3 churches. There are also **5@5 cards** which invite you to write down the names of the 5 people that you will be praying for each day at 5pm during the Novena. Please take one.

### WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

*Churches Together in Bishops Stortford*

Hosted at the **UNITED REFORMED CHURCH**

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity/ Thy Kingdom Come  
**May 21st– 25th, 12noon – 2.00pm & 7 – 9.00pm Vestry Prayer Room**

### HOLY CROSS AT ST ANDREWS MUCH HADHAM

A joint "Thy Kingdom Come" service, Monday 14 May at 7.30pm  
 (Fr Peter & Rev Steve)

Anglican led service for all on Tuesday 15 May at 5.00pm

Catholic led service for all on Wednesday 16 May at 5.00pm

**'Walk with Mary, a prayer service of Our Lady of Peace'** (Fr Peter)

Anglican Evensong at St Thomas', Perry Green, on Sunday 20 May at 5.00pm.

## FAMILY FUN DAY

**VOLUNTEERS ARE SOUGHT TO HELP US MAKE  
 THE PARISH-WIDE FAMILY FUN DAY  
 A SUCCESS**

**SUNDAY 8 JULY**

Many hands make light work ... if you are able to help us on the day - before, during and/or after our event - please sign-up on the sheet at the back of St Joseph's Church, or leave a message/text for Alison Gornall on 07880946085, or email: [socialcommitteestjosephs@gmail.com](mailto:socialcommitteestjosephs@gmail.com) stating your name, contact number and time(s) you can volunteer whether 30 minutes; 8 hours; or anywhere in between!

We will be setting up on the Parkland from 8am on Sunday, 8 July with doors opening at 10am to 2pm, to be followed by clearing up which we would hope to have completed by 4pm at the latest.

Thank you very much. We look forward to hearing from you.

The Parish Social Committee are also seeking donations for especially:-Bottles of PIMM'S, Bottles for the Tombola, Raffle Prizes, Nearly New Items, Teddy Bears (clean please) Please see the poster in Church for more details.

**INTERFAITH ANNUAL TALK** – Mark Shakespeare will give an interesting talk on 'Hildegard of Bingham' on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2018 between 7.30pm – 10pm in the St Joseph's hall in the Windhill Churches Centre. Refreshments are provided and everyone is welcome.

**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)

**THE PARISH MAGAZINE** is now on sale at only 30p  
**SORRY** -There will be **NO** refreshments served after Mass this weekend due to the WCC hall being booked for an event.

*'Speak, Lord: your friend is listening'*

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*Thankyou*

Collections 28/29 April 2018 Loose Coin & Envelopes  
**St Josephs and the English Martyrs:**  
 Collection: £1493.03 March D/ Debit £7683.34  
**Holy Cross**  
 Collection: £76.00 March D/Debit £910  
**Most Holy Redeemer:**  
 Collection: £135.35 March D/ Debit £655.33

**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.*