





# 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 13<sup>th</sup> May 2018- Seventh Sunday of Easter

### St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

- 9am Mass Nuala Hegarty RIP
- 11am Mass The Men of the Parish
- 12.30pm Baptism Dylan Anthony Simon Hines  
Lucy Emelia Prowse
- 6pm Mass Phyllis Andrews RIP

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

- 9.00am Mass The People of the Parish

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

- 11.15am Mass The People of the Parish

### Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May - St Matthias

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*

- 9.30am Mass - Jane & Sid Hockett RIP

### Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May - Easter feria

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*

- 9.30am Mass- Seamus Burke RIP

### Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May- Easter feria

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*

- 9.30am Mass - Marie Grace RIP

### Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May - Easter feria

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*

- 9.30am Mass - Ella O'Brien RIP

### Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May- St John I, Pope & Martyr

*St Joseph and the English Martyrs:*

- 9.30am Mass - Sr Clare Intentions

### Saturday 19<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 - Clifford Goodwin 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.

### 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 - next 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

**ST MARY'S VACANCY** -Teacher of Computer Science-Full-time or part-time considered, Permanent, from September 2018. Also required, a Head of R.E. 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.

**THE SISTINE CHAPEL CHOIR** - The Holy Father's personal choir, performs a sacred choral music concert from the repertoire they sing in the Vatican on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2018 at 8pm in Westminster Cathedral. The concert will last an hour, and is free of charge (no tickets required). Come and experience this world-famous choir singing in the beautiful setting of Westminster Cathedral. All are welcome.

**WEDNESDAY GROUP** will be serving a 'Spud and Pud' Lunch this Wed. 16th May, from 12 noon in the Windhill Churches Centre. Everyone very welcome to join us for jacket potatoes with choice of filling and a range of desserts, tea and coffee. Please ring Doreen 325326 or Jill 657575 for info / help to get to the centre.

**SUMMER CONCERT AT ST. THERESA'S PARISH CENTRE** Saturday 2<sup>ND</sup> June at 7.15pm - The Stansted U3A Singers, plus a couple of extra acts, will be back again this year with a programme of light hearted Summer music raising funds for the East Anglian Air Ambulance. Tickets are priced £5 for Adults and £3 for under 16's which includes light refreshments evening. Any queries contact Mary Warnett 01279 814190

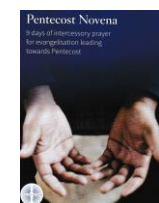
## Thy Kingdom Come

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.



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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

The session at the URC at noon on Thurs 24th will be meditative prayer for justice and peace led by St Joseph's.

### 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.

**IRISH REFERENDUM ON THE 8<sup>th</sup> AMENDMENT/25.05.18**  
 In their Spring Statement, the Irish Bishops wrote, "Article 40.3.3 is a declaration of equality and respect for human life. It represents, at the very foundations and substructure of our laws, a conviction that all human life is worth cherishing equally. To repeal this Article would leave unborn children at the mercy of whatever permissive abortion laws might be introduced in Ireland in the future. We invite people of faith to pray earnestly that Ireland will "choose life" and that the lives of all women and their unborn children will always be loved, valued, welcomed and respected in this country."

For more info visit <http://www.chooselife2018.ie>

**HEADTEACHER REQUIRED** -St John Fisher, St Albans. The role is ideal for a current Deputy Headteacher who is a practising Catholic. If you are interested, please look on [www.teachinherts.com](http://www.teachinherts.com) under St John Fisher or contact the Chair of Governors (Chris Baker) at [governors@sifisher.herts.sch.uk](mailto:governors@sifisher.herts.sch.uk) for an application pack.



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Collections 6/7 May 2018 Loose Coin & Envelopes

- St Josephs and the English Martyrs:**  
Collection: £1336.74 March D/ Debit £7683.34
- Holy Cross**  
Collection: £53.00 March D/Debit £910
- Most Holy Redeemer:**  
Collection: £131.90 March D/ Debit £655.33



**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.*