



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 12th August 2018 – 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9am Mass Harry Matthews RIP
 11am Mass Helen Diment RIP
 12.30pm Baptism Noah Thomas Chandler
 6pm Mass People of the Parish

Most Holy Redeemer (Sayesbury Road, Sawbridgeworth):

9.00am Mass People of the Parish

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

11.15am Mass The People of the Parish

Monday 13th August – Sts Pontian, Pope & Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9.30am Mass – Patrick Lydon & family RIP

Tuesday 14th August – St Maximilian Mary Kolbe, Priest & Martyrs

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9.30am Mass – John Treanor Intention

Wednesday 15th August- The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9.30am Mass – David & Angela Morris Special intention
 7.30pm Mass – People of the Parish

Thursday 16th August – St Stephen of Hungary

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9.30am Mass – Private Intention

Friday 17th August – feria

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
NO MASS

Saturday 18th August – Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 5pm- 5.45pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Sacrament of Reconciliation
 6pm Mass - Bridie Andrews Intention



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.



Following from last week, Fr Peter thought people might like to see a photo of the church with its original decorative scheme. He thinks you will agree with him that you can have too many stars!!!

RCIA COME & SEE – If you are interested in Adult Baptism, Reception to the Church or Adult Confirmation, please see Fr Carlos on Sat 8 Sept after 6pm Mass or Sun 9 Sept at 4.30pm in the WCC for more information

PARISH OFFICE – The Parish Office will be open again on Monday 13th August 9am – 3pm

CATHOLIC PARISH OF BISHOP'S STORTFORD SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

2019



Application forms and sign-up sheets will be available from the Sacristy as from Sunday 17th June 2018 for Children who wish to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion and will be at least 8 years old on or before 31 August 2019

The preparation programme is **only** for those children who will be receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion within the Catholic Parish of Bishop's Stortford and **not elsewhere**

All forms must be signed for by the parent of each child – please do not take a form for someone else

Forms must be returned to 3 Windhill by Wednesday 5 September

NEW ADULT WELCOMERS INVITED TO JOIN – We would like to invite you to join our small but fabulous group of friendly Parishioners who welcome both Visitors and Regular parishioners at the weekend Masses at St Joseph's Church on a rota basis, usually helping out in pairs. The voluntary duty involves arriving at least 15 mins early, handing out Hymn books and Mass sheets, arranging the offertory/collection (if no one else already does this) and tidying the Church afterwards. We are currently looking into extending the Welcomer role, but only for those interested, to potentially include acting as a Fire marshall in the event of an emergency, should we ever have to evacuate the Church. This would involve directing Parishioners to the nearest exit and assisting those in need. Training would be given for this specific role. If you are interested in either role there is a sign-up sheet in the Sacristy. Thank you.



PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES BY JUMBULANCE WITH ACROSS

4th – 13th October 2018

We will be taking the sick, disabled and terminally ill to Lourdes in October and have spaces for those not able to travel without the support of others. We can care for any needs; Fr Carlos is travelling as well as three nurses and experienced carers. If you would like to come on this amazing journey then please talk to Debbie Hourihan – Group leader on 07584-623472. The cost is £750 including insurance – there may be some funding available.

"With a few simple words, this moment of prayer can do immense good for our families."

[Amoris Laetitia 318]

The World Meeting of Families 2018



21st-26th August

Pray-a-thon

An invitation to pray for family members as we prepare for World Meeting of Families 2018, when Pope Francis will visit Ireland.

HOW DOES THE PRAY-A-THON WORK?

- Ask your family members/friends if you can pray for them as part of the WMOF 2018 Pray-a-Thon. Do they have a special intention they would like you to pray for?
- Write down their names and intentions on the Pray-a-thon card. The paper cards are at the back of each Church.
- You can also put your own name and special intention down on the card.
- Write the names of those family members/friends that have died in the section for the last day.

PRAYER GUIDE FOR EACH DAY OF MY PRAY-A-THON

Choose your prayer moment, open your prayer card and make the sign of the Cross. Each day, read the name of the person that you are praying for and start praying.

FINISH WITH THE WMOF2018 PRAYER

God, our Father, We are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son, One family, in the Spirit of your love.

Bless us with the joy of love.

Make us patient and kind, gentle and generous, welcoming to those in need. Help us to live your forgiveness and peace. Protect all families with your loving care, especially those for whom we now pray:

[We pause and remember family members and others by name].
 Increase our faith, strengthen our hope, Keep us safe in your love, make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share.

This we ask, through Christ our Lord,
 Amen

Mary, mother and guide, *pray for us.* Saint Joseph, Father and protector, *pray for us.* Saints Joachim and Anne, *pray for us.* Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, *pray for us.*



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Collections 4/5 August 2018 Loose Coin & Envelopes

St Josephs and the English Martyrs:
 Collection: £ TBC June S/ Order £8021.34
Holy Cross
 Collection: £ TBC June S/Order £895
Most Holy Redeemer:
 Collection: £TBC June S/Order £655.33



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

Marriage: enquiries call the Parish Office or email
 RCIA: Applications open

First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion
 Applications open until 5/9/18

Confirmation: Applications closed for 2019

Hail, holy Queen, mother of mercy; hail, our life, our sweetness, and our hope! To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to you do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus.