



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
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 Diocese of Westminster Charity No. 233699

Sunday 19th August 2018 – 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9am Mass Fr Michael Murphy Special Intention
 11am Mass Mary & John Clark Special Intention
 12.30pm Baptism Chelsie, Poppy & Max Connolly
 6pm Mass Evora Bonich RIP

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 20th August – St Bernard, Abbot & Doctor
St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9.30am Mass – Beryl Basey RIP

Tuesday 21st August – St Pius X, Pope
St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9.30am Mass – Muz Morris RIP
Most Holy Redeemer
 4pm Funeral Vigil – Grace Margaret Allan RIP

Wednesday 22nd August- The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9.30am Mass – Maureen Smith RIP
Most Holy Redeemer
 11am Requiem Mass – Grace Margaret Allan RIP

Thursday 23rd August – St Rose of Lima
St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9.30am Mass – Becky Jones RIP

Friday 24th August – St Bartholomew, Apostle
St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
NO MASS

Saturday 25th 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 - Margaret Sharkey 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.

"At the beginning, just after the builders moved out and before the present internal finishes"



RCIA COME & SEE– If you are you 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

THE SVP- is seeking to recruit a Young Vincentians Programme Manager, and a Mini Vinnies Officer as part of the expansion of our youth programme. Young Vincentians Programme Manager: £30k pa; full time permanent contract. Closing date: 15:00 on Thursday 23rd August 2018. Interviews: Thursday 30th August 2018. Start date: ASAP. Mini Vinnies Officer: £23k pro rata; 2 days/wk.; one year contract. Closing date: 10:00 Monday 20th August 2018. Interviews: Friday 24th August. Start date: ASAP. Both roles based at national office. For more details & application pack, please visit the vacancies section of the SVP website: <https://www.svp.org.uk/>.

ENCOUNTER – The new 2018/19 programme of interesting talks and discussions is now available for collection at the back of each Church and also on our web site. The first talk starts on Friday 21st September at 10am in the WCC.led by Robert Purcell on the 'motivation for and experience of pilgrimage' Everyone is very welcome to attend. Please bring food for a shared lunch. For further enquiries please contact Yvonne Fordyce.



FIRST ANNIVERSARY MEMORIAL MASS of Cardinal Cormac Murphy O'Connor on Saturday 1st September 12.30-1.30pm at Westminster Cathedral, London SW1P. Cardinal Vincent will preside and Mgr. Martin Hayes will preach. All are very welcome.

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.

RESONATE WEEKEND RETREAT –organised by Westminster Youth Ministry- Looking to take a step back from the busy modern life and explore the ways your faith can energise your day to day? Why not join us for an 18-35 young adults weekend retreat to do just that? Situated in the picturesque and tranquil grounds of Waxwell Farm, Pinner, the retreat will focus on taking the profound theology of our faith and exploring how it can be practically lived out in our 21st century world. A healthy mix of talks, discussion and reflection time will enable you to really break open these topics and give time for you to discern what this looks like on a personal level. The price for the retreat is £100 with a £15 discount for those registering before the 7th September includes accommodation & food. Places are limited so don't miss this fantastic opportunity! For more info see our web site or the link below <http://dowym.com/events/resonate-weekend-retreat/>

"To love God is something greater than to know Him"
 St Thomas Aquinas

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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 Safeguarding enquiries only
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Thank you

Collections 11/12 August 2018 Loose Coin & Envelopes
St Josephs and the English Martyrs:
 Collection: £ 1166.89 July S/ Order £7612.84
Holy Cross
 Collection: £ 58.45 July S/Order £1245.00
Most Holy Redeemer:
 Collection: £168.64 July S/Order £667.33

Sacramental Preparation

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.