

# 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 27<sup>th</sup> January 2019 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9am Mass - Jill Thody & Daphne Dillon RIP  
11am Mass - Eileen Dowling RIP  
12.30pm Baptism - Daniel Thomas Eamonn Eden  
6pm Mass - Special Intention Kay Lewis

Most Holy Redeemer (Sayesbury Road, Sawbridgeworth):  
9.00am Mass- Special Intention John

Holy Cross (at St Andrew's, Church Lane, Much Hadham):  
11.15am Mass - People of the Parish

## Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January - St Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor

### St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9.30am Mass - Sarah Mc Sweeney RIP

### Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January - feria

#### St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9.30am Mass - Eugene Neary RIP  
5pm - Vigil Reception - Helen Orchard RIP

### Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January - feria

#### St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

11am Requiem Mass - Helen Orchard RIP

## Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January - St John Bosco Priest

### St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

10.30am Vigil Reception - Cyril 'Dusty' Miller RIP  
11.15am Requiem Mass - Cyril 'Dusty' Miller RIP

### Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February - feria

#### St Joseph and the English Martyrs:

9.30am Mass - The Daniel Family Special Intention

## Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> February - The Presentation of the Lord

### St Joseph and the English Martyrs

5pm- 5.45pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Sacrament of Reconciliation  
6pm Mass - Special Intention Martin & Emer O'Toole



### 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.

## ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSERY ADMISSIONS 2019/2020

The application process for children starting Nursery in September 2019 (born between 01/09/2015 and 31/08/2016) opens on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019 and closes on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2019. Application forms will be available on 4<sup>th</sup> February from the school office or can be downloaded from [www.stjosephs207.herts.sch.uk](http://www.stjosephs207.herts.sch.uk).

A copy of your child's baptismal certificate and a Certificate of Catholic practice should accompany your application. All applications must be returned to the school office at St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School. Places will be offered on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April.

**CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE**- Applicants for St Joseph's School for **NURSERY** places in 2019 should collect a white 'embossed' application form for a certificate from No 3 Windhill, the Sacristy or the Parish Office in person. Once completed it should then be posted through the letter box of No 3 Windhill marked for Fr Peter's attention with a stamped addressed envelope please. The Certificate will then be posted to you. The School deadline is **15/3/2019**. Please apply in plenty of time to allow the certificate to be processed.

**PENNY COLLECTION**- For several years St. Joseph's has supported overseas projects but this year we are "going local", and donating proceeds of the Penny Collection to the Winter Night Shelter at Holy Trinity Church. Whilst now well established as an overnight shelter they hope also to be able to offer daytime activity and practical help and advice. So please dig out all that unwanted cash and put it in the designated jar at the back of the church to support this very worthy cause.

**ZAMKNIT AND CHAT**- 2pm on Tuesday 29th January in MHR extension. All are welcome

**CLEANER VACANCY** St Joseph's Catholic Primary School are looking for a cleaner to join their team 3.30pm to 5.30pm weekdays, term time only with possible overtime during school holidays. Please contact Nicola McManus 01279 652576

[sbmanager@stjosephs207.herts.sch.uk](mailto:sbmanager@stjosephs207.herts.sch.uk) for an application form.

The school is committed to safeguarding children and young people. All post holders are subject to a satisfactory Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check and two satisfactory references.

**TABLE TENNIS** - Sunday 3/2 7pm-8.30pm in the WCC- All welcome  
**BEAVER SCOUT WAITING LIST**- has now re-opened. Beavers meet on Mondays during term time at 4.45pm in the WCC.

**PALMS** - Fr Carlos is requesting for parishioners to bring their palms they received from Palm Sunday in order to burn them in preparation for Ash Wednesday. If you wish to do so, please bring your palms to Fr. Carlos after Mass. There will also be a red bucket to leave your palms behind in the back of the Church.

## CARDINAL'S MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL SATURDAY 8 JUNE 2019 at 3PM

The Cardinal will be inviting to this Mass all couples in the Diocese who are celebrating their 5<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> and 60<sup>th</sup> (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2019.

If you are celebrating an anniversary please contact the Parish Office with the following details; husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email) by Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March please.

**MEN'S SHOES WANTED** -St Joseph's SVP has joined a regional project to provide wearable shoes for men in need. If you have any pairs of wearable men's shoes which you no longer need and are willing to donate them, please leave them tied together in the box at the back of the church on the right hand side. We will be most grateful for your generosity.

**THANK YOU FROM THE PARISH SOCIAL COMMITTEE** to all our volunteers who helped us to set the hall in readiness for our Winter Lunch guests - our team of helpers in the hall and kitchen setting tables and preparing lunches respectively, our drivers who brought and returned guests home, and our scouts for serving them all, to Jackie Castle for entertaining us on the piano - and to Fr Carlos and Fr Peter for accompanying her vocally! Thank you too to all our guests for your company on Saturday - it was lovely to see you and we hope you will join us again at our next gathering.

**THANKS ALSO** to all those who donated raffle prizes for our Charity Quiz Night; to Fr Carlos as a most entertaining Quiz Master on Saturday evening, and to Kiera and Bella for squeezing between the tables gathering in answers at the end of each round of questions. This event raised a wonderful £700 for the ACROSS Bishop's Stortford Group in anticipation of our next pilgrimage on 26 September-5 October.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER** is the largest pro-marriage organisation in the world and promotes weekend experiences for Married Couples who want to make their good marriage even better. It also provides weekends for Engaged Couples who want to have the best possible start for their Marriage. The next weekend being held for interested couples for the Marriage Encounter Course are at Lydiard House, Swindon 1-3 February, and Dover 9-10 March and the Engaged couples course at St Aloysius, Euston, London 9-10 and St Joseph's, Hendon, London 27-28 April. Full details on [www.wmme.org.uk](http://www.wmme.org.uk) or contact Patrick & Pauline Haynes on 01279 652411 for more information.

**COFFEE MORNING & SPUD & PUD LUNCH** -Saturday 2 Feb Methodist Church, South street 1am -1.30am Coffee morning 12noon £6 Spud lunch. All funds raised towards the Salvation Army

**WINTER FLOWER FESTIVAL** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb 10.30am -5pm All Saints Church Melbourn SG8 6DX [www.winterflowerfestival.co.uk](http://www.winterflowerfestival.co.uk)

## FLAME CATHOLIC YOUTH EVENT- 2<sup>nd</sup> March in London.

Westminster Youth Ministry have reserved hundreds of tickets for those in the diocese and will be selling them to anyone interested for the reduced early-bird price of £20. Those coming with us will also receive a red Westminster Youth Ministry t-shirt for all participants and our ongoing support with all of your getting-to-Flame enquires. To find out more or book your tickets, please contact [dominicunliffe@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:dominicunliffe@rcdow.org.uk).

**PARISH CHARITY GOLF DAY**- on Friday 26th April at Bishop's Stortford Golf Club. Coffee and bacon rolls on arrival, 18 holes golf, 1st tee off at 1.00pm. 2 course dinner at 7.30pm and all for £60. Everyone welcome for dinner and the prize giving, £25pp. This year we will be supporting Dementia research at Addenbrooke's Hospital. Entry forms from the back of Church or via email [angelatyson1293@hotmail.com](mailto:angelatyson1293@hotmail.com) or [wilkinsondavid@mac.com](mailto:wilkinsondavid@mac.com).

**ACROSS - Pilgrimage to Lourdes by Jumbulance** - After the successful parish pilgrimage to Lourdes last year we are off again on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September - Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October 19. Helpers needed and we have spaces for able /unable and VIP's (those that are sick, disabled, terminally ill or just need a helping hand.) Full week in Lourdes in 4\* Hotel full board, Group programme for the week - £750. Limited Subsidies available for nurses and 16-25 years old in full-time education. For more information contact either John Wright on 07739 789169 or Debbie Hourihan on 07584-623472 or come along to the parish quiz on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> for more information

**CONCERT IN AID OF SVP VINNIE PACKS FOR THE HOMELESS** Featuring Alexander Armstrong Miranda Heldt, Alex Macqueen & The Choir with No Name. Monday 4 February 7pm at Farm Street Catholic Church, Mayfair, London W1K 3AH. Tickets £30 must be pre-booked at [www.eventbrite.co.uk](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk) (search for Vinnie Packs)

**HOLIDAY BIBLE WEEK- 5<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> August 2019**- The Holiday Bible week web site will go live on **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> February**. So please sign-up ASAP to guarantee a place for your Child. The Children's registration closes on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2019.

Adult Volunteers are needed so that places can be offered to as many children as possible (usually about 500).

A DBS check will need to be done for those volunteers who don't have one for HBW but that is a straightforward process! [www.holidaybibleweek.co.uk](http://www.holidaybibleweek.co.uk) The launch date night for Adult Volunteers will be Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2019. Check the web site for more information.

*'Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life'*



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Collections 19/20 January 2019 Loose Coin & Envelopes

### St Josephs and the English Martyrs:

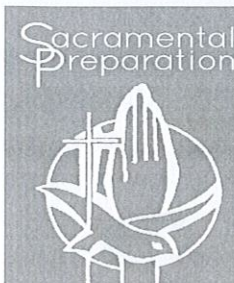
Collection: £1512.51 December S/ Order £7583.84

### Holy Cross

Collection: £59.50 December S/Order £935.00

### Most Holy Redeemer:

Collection: £140.70 December S/Order £917.33



**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 closed for 2019

**Confirmation:** Applications closed for 2019

*Mother of Christ! Hear thou thy people's cry,  
Star of the deep, and portal of the sky!  
Mother of Him Who thee from nothing made,  
Sinking we strive and call to thee for aid;  
Oh, by that joy which Gabriel brought to thee,  
Thou Virgin first and last, let us thy mercy see.*