



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 7th July 2019 - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9am Mass - Kathleen Hounston RIP
 11am Mass - Marie Thérèse Cuff RIP
 12.30pm Baptism - Magda Rzuclido
 6pm Mass - Thanksgiving

Most Holy Redeemer (Sayesbury Road, Sawbridgeworth)
 9am Mass - Joan Bridle RIP

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

Monday 8th July - feria
St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9.30am Mass - Antonia Bagshawe RIP

Tuesday 9th July - St Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest and Companions, Martyrs
St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9.30am Mass - Gerry Brown RIP

Wednesday 10th July - feria
St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9.30am Mass - Miss Lovelock RIP

Thursday 11th July - St Benedict, Abbot, Patron of Europe
St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9.30am Mass - Veronica Jordan RIP

Friday 12th July - feria
St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9.30am Mass - Irene Mc Guiggan RIP

Saturday 13th July - St Henry
St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 5pm-5.45pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament &
 Sacrament of Reconciliation
 6pm Mass - Eileen Loftus 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 any donation.
 Thank you very much.

SISTER RUTH - We send our heartfelt prayers, thanks and good wishes to Sister Ruth who will be returning to live in Canada at the end of July. If you would like to say 'Au Revoir', Sister Ruth will be available after the 9am Mass and before the 11am Mass in the WCC on Sunday 21st July. She would love to see as many of you as possible before she leaves.

PARISH WALK - Sunday 14 July starting at 2pm meet from 1.45pm in Maltings Lane next to Holy Cross Church. Route- Maltings Lane, Much Hadham to Green Tye. We will stop for refreshments at the Henry Moore Foundation or you can bring your own. For further details contact Fiona Collings 0779 0444130

FR PHILIP'S TALKS on the theme of Mary, drawing from the book, "Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary," will be held at 8pm on 16th July. All are welcome in St Augustine's church, Hoddesdon, for these talks.

BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE - The next course for parents wishing to baptise their Child will be on Thursday 11th July in the WCC with Fr Carlos. Please contact the office to register. The course starts at 7.30pm and lasts one hour.

CLARE PRIORY CRAFT FAIR - 13/14 July - 10am - 5pm at Clare Priory, Sudbury CO10 8NX. All proceeds are donated to local, national and international charities. The fair is held in the 14th century priory and its grounds set next to Clare Castle Country Park, in the beautiful historic medieval town of Clare on the banks of River Stour. Admission one day: Adults £5, Seniors £4, accompanied under-16s go free. Admission for both days: Adults £8, Seniors £6. For further details, visit www.clarepriory.org.uk
YOUTH MASS - Thursday 15th August 6:30pm Westminster Cathedral, London SW1P, On the Solemnity of the Assumption, a Mass for young adults 18 to 35 in the crypt of Westminster Cathedral, followed by an opportunity to socialise. All are welcome
THE CATENIANS - Next Sunday the 14th July, We welcome the Bishop's Stortford Catenian Association at the 11am Mass to celebrate the beginning of the new President's year with Stephen Eccles having taken over from Bertie Napier.

SEA SUNDAY 2019 - A second collection will be taken next weekend for the Apostleship of the Sea who provide spiritual and welfare support for seafarers visiting Great Britain. Children's colouring sheets & origami ship instructions will be at the back of each Church

'Cry out with joy to God all the earth'

CATHOLIC PARISH OF BISHOP'S STORTFORD SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2020



Application forms for all those in the Parish who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2020 will be available from the Sacristy from this

Sunday 30th June 2019

Applicants only are to collect and sign for a form and must have their date of birth on or before 31 August 2005 (Year 10 and above)

The last day for receiving completed forms into No. 3 Windhill will be Wednesday 17th July at midnight (!) at the very latest..

The Confirmation course for the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2020 will begin with a first meeting for Candidates, with their parents, on **Sunday 21st July in the Parish Centre after the 6pm Mass.** Meetings for the Candidates alone will then begin on the **first Sunday of Advent, December 1st in the Parish Centre at 4.30pm followed by the 6pm Mass**

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

2020



Application forms and sign-up sheets will be available from the Sacristy as from Sunday 7th July 2019 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 2020

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.

The last day for receiving completed forms into No.3 Windhill will be **Wednesday 4th September 2019**

When you have submitted your form **please send an e-mail** to fhcstjosephs@gmail.com confirming your application. This is so that our Catechist is able to send you an acknowledgement email and keep you updated of any changes to the scheduled sessions. The first Parents meeting will be Tuesday 17th September 7.30pm-8.30pm in the Parish centre and the first Children's session on Saturday 21st September 10.30am - 12pm

Fr Peter writes:

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone, first once again for your kindness and prayers after my Heart attack and now, especially, for your continued kindness and generosity, in celebrating my Silver Jubilee with me. The good Lord seemed to have sent the rain, but what a wonderful spirit of togetherness and support for each other that rain brought about!! People spoke to, and befriended, each other in the rain and that fellowship bore great fruit once we were all inside the Parish Hall!

Thank you also for your wonderful gift to me, accompanied by so many lovely cards. In all you have presented me with just over £3,000. I promise I will buy something for myself but also I must tell you that a number of my favourite Charities will be benefitting from your great kindness

WESTMINSTER DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM, Saturday 21st September

As we prepare for the rededication of England to Our Lady as her dowry (March 2020), we have the chance to go on pilgrimage with Cardinal Vincent and other Catholics from across the diocese this September. The Deanery coach will pick up at Waltham Cross (7am), Hoddesdon (7.15am), and **Bishops Stortford (7.45am)**, to get to Walsingham in good time for 12 noon Mass. After lunch we walk the Holy Mile and conclude with Benediction at the old Priory shrine.

To provisionally book a place on the coach, phone St Augustine's, Hoddesdon (01992-440986) with your details; to firmly book your place on the coach, please then send a cheque for £25 payable to 'St Augustine's Catholic Church' - or deliver cash by hand - to The Presbytery, Esdaile Lane, Hoddesdon, Herts, EN11 8DS.

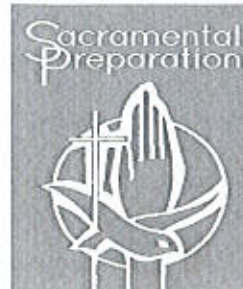
CARITAS IN YOUR COMMUNITY - Saturday 13th July, 9am-12pm. Caritas will be holding a gathering at the Church of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception and St Joseph, Waltham Cross, EN8 7DP. It is an opportunity for Hertfordshire-based parish groups and social action projects to learn about Caritas Westminster, network with other organisations and recruit volunteers. We will also be running the Universal Credit Savvy course on the day. Please join us from 9am-12pm. Contact francesmoore@rcdow.org.uk for more information. Visit tinyurl.com/caritascommunity to book your place, or search for 'Caritas in Your Community' on Eventbrite.



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Collections 29/30 June 2019 Loose Coin & Envelopes
St Josephs and the English Martyrs:
 Collection: Loose- £838.44 Envelopes- £650.20
Holy Cross
 Collection: Loose- £66.81 Envelopes- £20
Most Holy Redeemer:
 Collection: Loose- £71.80 Envelopes- £46.00



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 7th July 2019
Confirmation: Applications open 30 June 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.

Sunday Message

7 JULY 2019

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE WORD

Year C • Psalter Week 2

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Your merciful love, O God,
we have received in the midst of your
temple.
Your praise, O God, like your name,
reaches the ends of the earth;
your right hand is filled with saving justice.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

COLLECT

O God, who in the abasement of your Son
have raised up a fallen world,
fill your faithful with holy joy,
for on those you have rescued from slavery
to sin
you bestow eternal gladness.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of
the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

FIRST READING Isaiah 66:10-14

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.
Rejoice, Jerusalem,
be glad for her, all you who love her!
Rejoice, rejoice for her
all you who mourned her!

That you may be suckled, filled,
from her consoling breast,
that you may savour with delight
her glorious breasts.

For thus says the Lord:
Now towards her I send flowing
peace, like a river,
and like a stream in spate
the glory of the nations.

At her breast will her nurslings be carried
and fondled in her lap.
Like a son comforted by his mother
will I comfort you.
And by Jerusalem you will be comforted

At the sight your heart will rejoice,
and your bones flourish like the grass.
To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand.
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 65

Response:
Cry out with joy to God all the earth.

1. Cry out with joy to God all the earth,
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise.
Say to God: "How tremendous your
deeds!" (R.)
2. "Before you all the earth shall bow;
shall sing to you, sing to your name!"
Come and see the works of God,
tremendous his deeds among men. (R.)
3. He turned the sea into dry land,
they passed through the river dry-shod.
Let our joy then be in him;
he rules for ever by his might. (R.)
4. Come and hear, all who fear God.
I will tell what he did for my soul.
Blessed be God who did not reject my
prayer
nor withhold his love from me. (R.)

SECOND READING Galatians 6:14-18

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the
Galatians.

The only thing I can boast about is the cross
of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the
world is crucified to me, and I to the world.
It does not matter if a person is circumcised
or not; what matters is for him to become an
altogether new creature. Peace and mercy to
all who follow this rule, who form the Israel
of God.

I want no more trouble from anybody after
this; the marks on my body are those of Jesus.
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with
your spirit, my brothers. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I call you friends, says the Lord,
because I have made known to you
everything I have learnt from my Father.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

(For shorter form, read between > <)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Luke.

>The Lord appointed seventy-two others
and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to
all the towns and places he himself was to
visit. He said to them, "The harvest is rich but
the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the
harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start
off now, but remember, I am sending you out
like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no
haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the
road. Whatever house you go into, let your
first words be, 'Peace to this house!' And if a
man of peace lives there, your peace will go
and rest on him; if not, it will come back to
you. Stay in the same house, taking what food
and drink they have to offer, for the labourer
deserves his wages; do not move from house
to house. Whenever you go into a town where
they make you welcome, eat what is set
before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and
say 'The kingdom of God is very near to you.' <
But whenever you enter a town and they do
not make you welcome, go out into its streets
and say, 'We wipe off the very dust of your
town that clings to our feet, and leave it with
you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is
very near.' I tell you, that on that day it will not
go as hard with Sodom as with that town."

The seventy-two came back rejoicing.
"Lord," they said, "even the devils submit
to us when we use your name." He said to
them, "I watched Satan fall like lightning
from heaven. Yes, I have given you power to
tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and
the whole strength of the enemy; nothing
shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the
spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your
names are written in heaven."

>The Gospel of the Lord.<

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with
the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

(all bow during the next three lines)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the
Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate,

he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,
the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored
and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and
apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness
of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the
dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

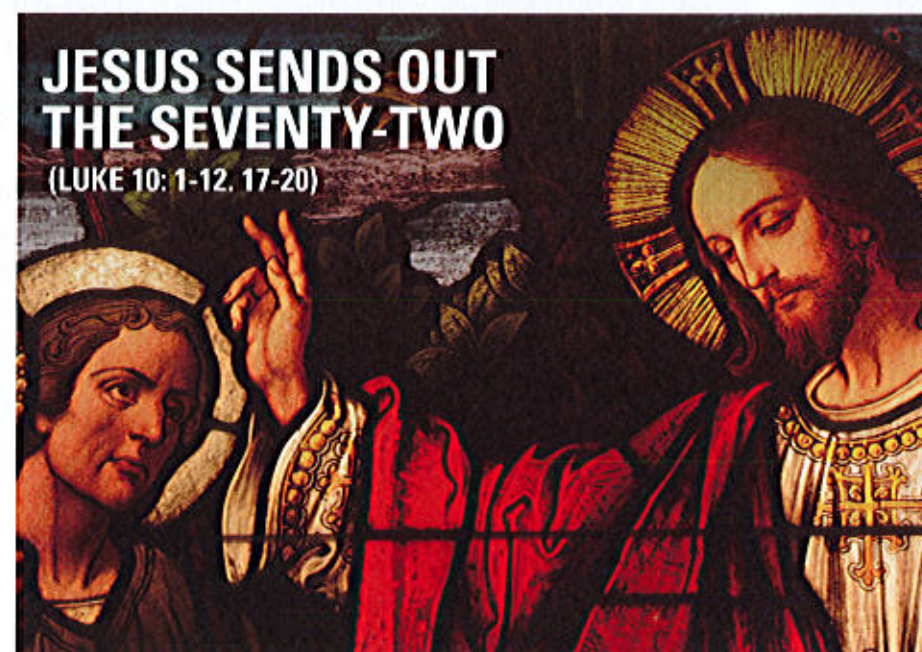
May this oblation dedicated to your name
purify us, O Lord,
and day by day bring our conduct
closer to the life of heaven.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Taste and see that the Lord is good;
blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, we pray, O Lord,
that, having been replenished by such great
gifts,
we may gain the prize of salvation
and never cease to praise you.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Luke presents today's Gospel in two parts. Firstly, Jesus commissions the seventy-two to go out into the villages to preach and teach. Secondly, they return from their mission full of the power of the Spirit, with great stories of their experiences.

Perhaps Jesus is beginning the process of preparing the Church for a life without his physical presence amongst them, a life after his resurrection. So he sends them out with great haste, they don't need to pack! Jesus tells them not to take a purse, a bag or sandals, and when they arrive into a village or house and are made welcome, to stay there and eat what the people prepare. Bring the peace of Christ into every home, heal the sick and accept hospitality when it is given. There is a strong warning that is left out of today's Gospel reading. Jesus tells them that the nature of what they are about to do will bring moments of hostility and rejection, and in many ways sending the seventy-two out is like sending lambs to wolves! If people reject these brave missionaries, they reject the one who sent them, Jesus Christ. But, whatever trials the seventy-two must have faced on these dusty byroads, they return with stories of Jesus' power: "Lord even the devils submit to us when we use your name."

The work of preparing the Church has begun and Jesus tells them that through their ministry, their names will be written in heaven. ■

REFLECT

In recent times I've had the pleasure of visiting two Benedictine abbeys, Buckfast in Devon, England, and Glenstal in Limerick, Ireland. The rhythm of prayer where monks and their visitors gather five times a day to pray with scripture texts and to celebrate the Eucharist is both appealing and consoling to be a part of. But one of the most striking prayers is the prayer for the missionary Church. In other words, the prayer for the preachers and priests, the ministers, volunteers and workers in all capacities who work together to bring about the kingdom of God on earth.

Prayer is indispensable to the missionary life of the Church and if it were not for the prayers of other people, the work of the Church would not get done. Prayer is the first element and Jesus includes poverty and simplicity in today's Gospel as essential elements of a missionary Church.

A dear childhood friend of Pope St John Paul II said that the key to his spiritual life was his poverty, his austerity. It marked him in Poland during his work and ministry and it continued during his many years in the Vatican. If we are to be credible in our preaching, we must live in a simple way. Only then

SAY

"Sweetest Jesus,
Body and Blood most Holy,
be the delight and pleasure of
my soul,
my strength and salvation in all
temptations,
my joy and peace in every trial,
my light and guide in every
word and deed,
and my final protection in
death. Amen."

St Thomas Aquinas
(The Aquinas Prayer Book)

DO

The Church must constantly be in appreciation of the missionary work that has gone before us. Take the opportunity this week to read about the missionary life of a lay person or religious. What inspiration can you gather from their stories?



LEARN

"Only the certainty that the Crucified Christ lives on as the Risen Christ, glorified by God, gives us the solution to the riddle of Jesus as a person and makes the Church possible and real."

(Fr Hans Küng)

can our preaching and teaching become attractive or even believable! So in sending the seventy-two out into the villages without a bag or sandals, Jesus was not a sadist trying to inflict pain on his loyal following. It was a message to the world that a Church borne out of prayer, simplicity and austerity has a lot to teach the world. The seventy-two returned and it is clear the venture to the villages has been a success. But we know that this great commissioning did not stop with the seventy-two. It was handed on to the wider Church, to you and me, so that we too might preach the Gospel to all creation. ■