



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 22nd September 2019 – 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9am Mass – Cornelius O'Keeffe RIP
 11am Mass – Margaret Hanley RIP
 6pm Mass – Noel Hurley RIP

Most Holy Redeemer (Sayesbury Road, Sawbridgeworth)
 9am Mass- John & Bridget 63rd Wedding Anniversary
 9am Baptism – Martha Loretta Dyfri Souza-Smith

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

Monday 23rd September–St Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest
St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9.30am Mass – Alves Nazareth RIP

Tuesday 24th September–Our Lady of Walsingham
St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9.30am Mass – Intention of Mary McCarthy

Wednesday 25th September –feria
St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
NO MASS

Thursday 26th September –St Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs
St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9.30am Mass – Daphne Cassidy RIP

Friday 27th September–St Vincent De Paul, Priest
St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9.30am Mass – People of the Parish

Saturday 28th September –Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday
St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 5pm-5.45pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament &
 Sacrament of Reconciliation
 6pm Mass – Louise Boruch RIP

Sunday 29th September 2019 – 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
St Joseph and the English Martyrs:
 9am Mass – World Day of Migrants and Refugees
 11am Mass – Peter Rosair RIP
 12.30pm Baptism – William Henry Beuzeval
 Penelope Carmel Beuzeval
 6pm Mass – Patrick Duhig RIP

Most Holy Redeemer (Sayesbury Road, Sawbridgeworth)
 9am Mass- Jack Roche RIP
Holy Cross (at St Andrew's, Church Lane, Much Hadham):
 11.15am Mass – People of the Parish

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND 14-21 MAY 2020

Many thanks to all who have expressed interest in our pilgrimage to the Holy Land. The list is now closed, since we have reached the maximum number that we could take on the pilgrimage. If you have signed up on one of our sheets and are still interested, please take a Booking Form and Brochure from the Sacristy. Please also indicate that you have taken a form by putting a Red 'X' next to your name. Please send the Booking Form and the initial deposit to PAX Travel in the address on the top, left-hand corner, and not to 3 Windhill. Thank you.

ZAMKNIT AND CHAT- Tuesday 24th September from 2pm to 4pm in MHR Extension. Knitters and non- knitters welcome.

HOME MISSION DAY – Thank you to everyone who donated to the Home Mission appeal. £778.55 was raised across our parish

BISHOP'S STORTFORD FOOD BANK HARVEST APPEAL- The Food Bank are very grateful for your support & have created a list of their most needed non -perishable items if you are able to help please. This is displayed at the back of St Joseph's Church & on our website.

YOUNG SEEKERS MEETINGS-The Vocations Promotion Team has begun a new group called Young Seekers. Led by Fr Mike Maguire, the Assistant Vocations Promoter, this group aims to attract men in their late teens and early twenties to meet regularly and share their hopes and maybe their uncertainties about the call of the Lord. The next meeting will be held on Thursday 26th September from 6.45pm up until 8.30pm. The topic for the evening is 'Formation for priesthood and the expectations offered in the new Ratio Fundamentalis'. Each session to end with night prayer, followed by a visit to the pub. For details, contact Fr Mike Maguire at vocations@rcdow.org.uk

RCIA COME & SEE- If you are you interested in Adult Baptism, Reception to the Church or Adult Confirmation, please see Fr Carlos on Monday 23rd September 2019 at 8pm in the WCC for more information

WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY SUICIDE PREVENTION – Thursday 7th November 7.30pm – 9pm St Alban & St Stephens RC Church, St Albans. Come and hear what Hertfordshire is doing to support those with suicidal thoughts through 'Spot the Signs'

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH QUIZ NIGHT – Saturday 26th October 7pm
 Tickets £10 Fish & Chip Supper & raffle. Teams of 8. Please email htbs.addsupp@outlook.com

DEFIBRILLATOR UPDATE – Thank you VERY much indeed to everyone who kindly contributed towards the cost of the defibrillator. **We have just received delivery of the defibrillator from the British Heart Foundation** which will be registered with the local Ambulance service. We hope to run regular sessions in the WCC and train as many people as possible in CPR and how to use it should the situation ever arise. In the meantime please see the info on our web site which includes CPR instruction video clips from the British Heart foundation. Across the UK, **there are over 30,000 cardiac arrests outside of hospital every year, and the survival rate is only 1 in 10. The reason for this poor survival rate is simple: not enough people in the UK know lifesaving CPR skills and how to use a defibrillator.** Please take some time to look at the clips so that **YOU** know what to do in the event of a cardiac arrest of a fellow parishioner, a loved one or person in the street. There is also a link to a printable pocket guide on there too

ENCOUNTER- New programme of meetings for Sept 2019 - May 2020 is now available at the back of church and on the parish website. All welcome either to attend on a regular basis or to drop in to one or two meetings. For more information on the programme or enquiries contact: 01279 652060

ANNUAL MASS FOR BEREAVED PARENTS – The annual Mass for Bereaved Parents will be held on Saturday 26th October, 2.30pm at St Aloysius Church, Somers Town, 20 Phoenix Road, London, NW1 1TA celebrated by Bishop Paul McAleenan.

HOLY TRINITY WINTER NIGHT SHELTER provides emergency shelter and supportive services to people who are homeless or at risk and also collaborates for locally driven solutions to end homelessness. On Saturday 28th September between 11am – 4pm there will be an informal Open day to promote the work of the Night Shelter and all are welcome to visit.

PENNY COLLECTION – Please remember that our Penny collection at St Joseph's this year is for the Night Shelter. Both pennies and pound coins gratefully accepted!

BISHOP'S STORTFORD COMMUNITY TRANSPORT – Tracey Gaynor is trying to raise £1k towards a much needed replacement community minibus that serves many elderly, disabled and infirm individuals in the area. Please visit <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/tracey-gaynor>

ACROSS VOLUNTEER NEEDED -Across is seeking a Volunteer Office Administrator in their offices at London Stansted Airport.

Required to assist with fundraising and pilgrimage administration. 4-6 hours a week, ideally Monday and/or Thursday mornings. Contact Sue Fishpool for more information and an application formsue@across.org.uk 0203 542 1800

Please keep in your prayers Fr Carlos and all Parishioners who will be travelling to Lourdes with Across this week

ANNUAL MASS COUNT – This weekend 21/22nd September we start our Annual Mass count for the Diocese. This will continue for 4 consecutive weekends ending on Sunday 13th October

GROVE COTTAGE- are holding a Volunteer Recruitment Afternoon on Saturday 19th October at the Charis Centre. The event starts with refreshments at 1.30pm, followed by a presentation at 2pm. There will then be an opportunity to discuss volunteer opportunities at Grove Cottage with members of staff and current volunteers. Everyone is welcome to attend. If you are unable to make the event but would like to learn more about volunteer opportunities at Grove Cottage, please contact Monica at volunteer@mencapgrovecottage.org

SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL- wanted for St Joseph's Primary School. £9 per hour (excluding enhancements) If you are interested, please contact Janet Fairhead on 01992 556816

GOLFERS - SAVE THE DATE - 2020! -A note for your diary for next year. Our charity golf day will be held on Friday 22nd MAY 2020 at the Manor of Groves Golf and Country Club. More details and information later

PARISH AGM - Advanced notice -Sunday, 17th November at 7pm in WCC

CHARITY BARN DANCE – 19th October
 (in aid of Across Bishop's Stortford Jumbulance)

Don't miss out - get your ticket's now for this highly-enjoyable social event - ask anyone who came last year! Grab your check-shirt and Stetson and mosey on down to **St Joseph's SCHOOL HALL** with your Own Drinks & nibbles. Pete Skiffins will once again show us all how to kick up our heels and have a good time for just £7.50per person; £2.50 12 & under. Call/text Tessa on 07951 114800, Debbie on 07584 623472 or Fiona on 07790 444130 for tickets. . Donations for Raffle prizes would be gratefully received and can be left at the back of St Joseph's Church.

SPONSORSHIP sought – Darryl O' Dwyer will be running the Royal parks half marathon for 'Across' if you would like to help support him <https://www.justgiving.com/Darryl-O-Dwyer>



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Collections 14/15 Sept 2019 Loose Coin & Envelopes Aug D/D
St Josephs and the English Martyrs:
 Collection: Loose- £ 776.84 Envelopes- £481.60 D/D £7,222.34
Holy Cross
 Collection: Loose- £ 29.28 Envelopes-£10 D/D £920
Most Holy Redeemer:
 Collection: Loose- £ 46.10 Envelopes-£ 80 D/D £756.43



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
Confirmation: Applications closed

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.