

The Three Stevenage Catholic Parishes

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May 2024

Congratulations to all our young people who will be receiving the Sacrament of

CONFIRMATION

with Bishop Paul on Sunday 5th May!

"Be who you were created to be, and you will set the world on fire." - St Catherine

"Remember that you received a spiritual seal, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of knowledge and reverence, the spirit of holy fear. God the Father sealed you, Christ the Lord strengthened you and sent the Spirit into your hearts as the pledge of what is to come." - St Ambrose

"It is better to be a child of God than king of the whole world." - St Aloysius

May is the month of Mary

We look to our Lady's intercession for all our intentions

Congratulations to all our children who will be making their

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

over the next few weeks!

Due to First Holy Communion ceremonies, there is no 6pm evening Mass on the following Saturdays: **11th, 18th & 25th May** - Saturday evening Mass can be found at Transfiguration (5pm) and St Hilda's (6.30pm) as usual.

FEAST OF THE ASCENSION - Mass times

Wednesday 8th May: 7pm, St Joseph's (*vigil Mass*)

Thursday 9th May: 9.30am, St Hilda's

10am, Transfiguration

7pm, St Joseph's (*no morning Mass*)

Pentecost Sunday 18th/19th May

Fantastic performance by St Joseph's drama group of Beauty and the Beast.

Very, very well done to everyone in the St Joseph's drama group for an amazing performance of Beauty and The Beast which still brings smiles to our faces as we remember what a wonderful time you gave all of us.

Funerals

Frances Mary Meighan: Thursday 9th May, St Hilda's Church at 11am followed by committal at Harwood Park Crematorium. **May they rest in eternal peace.**

Terry Geraghty: Friday 17th May, Church of The Transfiguration at 11am followed by burial at Weston Road.

May they rest in eternal peace.

Catholic lay Chaplain needed at Saint John Henry Newman School

Full time approx 32 hours per week, salary circa £30,000 pa. For information visit www.teachinherts.com/find-a-job/view/lay-chaplain_93028.htm

Coffee morning at St Hilda's: Tuesday 7th May after Mass. All welcome.

Movie night

Thursday 16th May, 7pm, St Joseph's Bedwell (hall): "Fatima" (2019, cert 12), based on the events of 1917! Half time tea break, donation only.

St. Margaret Clitherow RC Primary School Nursery admissions 2024-2025

Was your child born between 01/09/2020 - 31/08/2021? This year our Governors intend to offer 15 hours (morning only) or 30 hours (morning and afternoon) in our Nursery. Please contact the school office (01438 352863) to secure a place and book a school tour.

Lourdes Pilgrimage with Fr Nigel: 19th- 26th July 2024

Registration for the Westminster diocesan pilgrimage led by Cardinal Nicholas is now open via the application form on: <https://rcdow.org.uk/pilgrimages/lourdes/> or by contacting the Pilgrimage Office on 020 7798 9173. Options to travel by plane, train or coach are available and there are many volunteering opportunities to serve.

Please register as soon as possible - places are limited.

Mass times: St Joseph's, Bedwell

6pm Saturday (*vigil*; Confession 5pm)
10:30am Sunday
12noon Sunday
6pm Sunday
7pm Wednesday
(followed by Eucharistic Adoration,
Confession till 8:15pm: Benediction)
9:30am Thursday & Friday (followed by
rosary; then tea & coffee every Thursday - hall)

**Every first Thursday of the month:
7:30pm Eucharistic Healing Service**

Mass times: St Hilda's, Shephall

9:30am Saturday
(Confession 6:15pm)
6:30pm Saturday (*vigil*)
9:30am Sunday
11:00am Sunday
9:30am Monday (Hoy Hour 10-11am)
9:30am Tuesday

Mass times: Transfiguration, Old Town

5pm Saturday (*vigil*)
(Confession 4:30-4:45pm)
9am Sunday
9:30am Monday
9:30am Friday