

13 May 2018

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Sundays Year B – Weekdays Year 2 – Psalter Week 3



St Joseph's Parish, Diocese of Northampton

Order of Discalced Carmelites (OCD)

St Joseph's Priory, Austenwood Common, Chalfont St Peter, Buckinghamshire SL9 8RY

Fr Michael Spain OCD (Prior & Parish Priest), Fr Robert Davies OCD, Fr Maurice Flynn OCD, Fr Matt Blake OCD

14 May	St Matthias, Apostle – Feast
16 May	St Simon Stock, Carmelite - Feast

WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY – SUNDAY 13 MAY:

The Communications Office of the Catholic Church in England and Wales (CCN) provides support for the bishops and Church by promoting the Gospel through the media on current issues. The office is the central point for media enquiries and is a key resource for national and international media professionals. It also plays an important role in developing the public profile of the Church through word and image, online and offline.

This weekend we are asked to pray for those who work in the media. A **second collection is taken after all Masses** to fund the work of the CCN.

THE OFFERTORY

COLLECTION last weekend amounted to £2,652. Your continued support is appreciated.

PENTECOST - The birthday of the Church

will be celebrated after the 9am Mass next week with games and cake. Everyone is invited, no RSVP needed, just turn up!

PENTECOST: Celebrating the awesome day the Holy Spirit

fell upon Mary and the Apostles and the Church was born.

Holy Hour – Come to this silent and beautiful hour with Jesus and to pray to the Holy Spirit at this time. It could be part of your Novena, or joining in with the Diocese to pray about our own Vocation. Or just to discover the power of the Lord present in the Blessed Sacrament in the main Church Friday 18 May at 8-9pm.

Rosary – Friday 18 May at 7:30pm in the Church.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION and **CONFIRMATION CARDS** are on sale from the Repository.

SALE OF TRADCRAFT GOODS TODAY – SUNDAY 13 MAY after 9am Mass in the Parish Centre and after 11am Mass in the First Committee Room.

DIOCESAN YEAR OF PRAYER AND VOCATION

May is a month of prayer for those preparing for confirmation, and all confirmed and their vocation within the church.

The saint to accompany us in May is **Blessed John Henry Newman**. He was born in 1801, created cardinal in 1879, died in 1890 and beatified in 2010. He was a

priest, poet, theologian and educator. On becoming a Catholic at the age of 44 he spent much time in pastoral work in Birmingham and establishing the Catholic University of Ireland in Dublin. All his life he struggled to be true to God's calling.

The GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION

(GDPR) will take effect in the UK from 25 May 2018. Churches must comply with its requirements, just like any other charity or organisation. Our Diocese has recently appointed a Data Protection Manager who is currently running a series of mandatory sessions for parishes. Having

learned from this, we will then review how we manage personal data.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION SINGERS AND MUSICIANS:

Bishop Peter will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at St Joseph's Church on Sunday 1 July at 2pm for 48 candidates from our Pastoral Area. Singers and musicians from all the churches

are invited to take part in a joint choir. If you would like to be part of this choir, please speak to Maureen Connell who can be contacted via the Parish Office.



NOVENA PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Father, pour out your Spirit
Upon your people,
And grant us

A new vision of your glory,
A new experience of your power,
A new faithfulness to your Word, and,
A new consecration to your service,
That your love may grow among us.

Amen



YOUTH GROUP takes place today **Sunday 13 May** from 6:30pm until 8pm in the Hall. If you are in Year 6 or above why not come and join us for fun, games and food.

SAVE THE DATE - YOUTH FEST '18: Join us for live music, games, BBQ and lots more on Saturday 16 June from 3pm to 6pm in the paddock behind Our Lady's Church, Chesham Bois HP6 5PE. This free event is open to all young people in Year 6 and above.

LONDON AND SLOUGH RUN FOR THE HOMELESS: Please bring your sandwiches, boiled eggs, crisps, drinks, fruit, biscuits, etc. to the Parish Centre by 3.30pm on Monday. Many thanks for your continued support.

Please use the metal box provided: do not leave goods outside the Parish Centre.

BUY TICKETS NOW FOR PAMPER EVENING: Our **Children's Liturgy Group** are organising a pamper evening on **Friday 18 May** from 7:30pm in the Parish Centre. Ladies of the parish are invited to come along and catch-up with friends over a glass of fizz, pamper themselves with a mini treatment or simply enjoy some retail therapy! Your £5 entry includes a glass of bubbly and nibbles. A variety of treatments will be available priced at just £5 each (appointments allocated on the night on a first come, first served basis). There will also be beauty products and fashion accessories on sale. Profits from this event will be split between the parish and **William's Fund**. Tickets on sale from the Parish Office.

There will be a sale of **NEW AND NEW DESIGNER CLOTHES** which will be sold at the Pamper Evening in aid of the London and Slough Run. If you have bought clothing and never worn them, and if they still have their tags attached or if they are in their original wrappers, would you consider donating them to this worthy cause? Bring them along to the Parish Office.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please pray for the sick of our Parish and for those who have asked for our prayers.

ST JOSEPH'S FURNITURE MARKET distributed £2,000 in May as follows:

St Joseph's Parish	£1,000
Myeloma UK	£500
Alzheimers Society	£500

HANGING BASKETS: Our very popular hanging basket and plant sale is back!

Orders will be taken after the 9am, 11am and Denham Masses **today Sunday 13 May**. Order Forms are also available from the Church porch or via the website. Deadline for orders is Wednesday 30 May, with collection from St Joseph's Church car park on Saturday 9 June between 3pm and 4pm.



ST JOHN'S BEAUMONT – A Catholic Option in Independent Education is a prep school for boys aged 3-13, at Old Windsor. Their open morning is on Tuesday 15 May. Please contact Katherine Masterson on 01784 432428 or see the website www.sjbwindsor.uk.

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS to the Nash, Molloy, Brown, Holland, Gaughan, Perricone, and Beagle families whose children were baptised recently. We ask God's blessing on these children and their families.



CONGRATULATIONS

to Ann Rooney and Laurence Rooney; Starr Groom and Gerald O'Hara who were married recently at St Joseph's. We wish them God's blessing and every happiness for the future.

A prayer for Communications Sunday

O God, whose word is truth
and in whose light we see light,
guide those who tell the story of our times through word
and image.
Make them seekers after truth and advocates of human
dignity.
Grant discernment to all who rely on their labours, and,
As we confront the pain and promise of this world,
Awaken in us a sense of wonder at your presence
And a longing for your peace.

Sunday Mass Times

St Joseph's, Chalfont St Peter: Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:30pm, Sunday at 7:45am, 9am, 11am and 5:30pm
Holy Name, Denham: Sunday Mass at 9:30am
Bridgettine Convent, Iver Heath: Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:30pm, Sunday at 9am

All the following take place at St Joseph's, Chalfont St Peter

Weekday Mass: Monday to Friday at 7am and 9am, Saturday and Bank Holidays at 10am
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday from 10:30 – 11am and 4:45 – 5:15pm
Rosary: Tuesday and Friday at 7:30pm
Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesday and Thursday from 10am until 9pm in the Oratory

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