

3 September 2017

Twenty-Second Sunday of the Year

Sundays Year A – Weekdays Year 1 – Psalter Week 2



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

4 September	St Cuthbert, Bishop - Memorial
8 September	The Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Feast

VOLUNTEER MISSIONARY MOVEMENT (VMM) APPEAL will take place at all Masses (except 5:30pm on Sunday) at St Joseph's **this weekend**. The VMM send Catholic volunteers overseas to work in fields such as healthcare, education and community development. There will be a second collection at all Masses. If required, there are gift aid slips in the Church porch.

THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION last weekend amounted to £1,896. Your continued support is appreciated.

PRAYING THE ROSARY will recommence next **Tuesday 5 September**.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION will recommence next **Wednesday 6/Thursday 7 September**.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Patricia Sewell who died recently. The funeral will take place on Tuesday 12 September at 12 noon in St Joseph's Church. We extend our deepest sympathy to all her family and friends.

Your prayers are also requested for the repose of the soul of John Neto who died recently. The funeral will take place on Thursday 14 September at 11am in St Joseph's Church. We extend our deepest sympathy to all his family and friends.

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

PARISH AGM: Our Parish Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place on Sunday 1 October at 3pm in the Parish Centre. It is open to all parishioners and will report on parish activities and finances; including highlights from the last 12 months and looking ahead to next year.



THE CHILDREN'S CHOIR – Sunday 9am Mass: All new members are very welcome.



CONFIRMATION SPRING 2018: Parents of year 9 pupils are invited to a meeting on Thursday 28 September at 7:30pm in the Parish Centre about the confirmation course and registration for candidates to be confirmed in Spring 2018. Families in the parish register will be sent an email – please get in touch via youth@stjosephs.org.uk if you don't receive the email but would like to be kept informed of the programme.

CONGRATULATIONS to all St Joseph's student parishioners who have secured their places at university – here is a great website giving young Catholics going to university contact details for their new university chaplains – www.catholicsatuniversity.org.uk/.



SAVE THE DATE: "Romero – Heartbeat of El Salvador" is a new play by RISE Theatre in association with The Archbishop Romero Trust, looking at the life and legacy of a man who chose to challenge those in power and stand up for social justice. The story of Oscar Romero and the people of El Salvador is brought to life with explosive energy and passion from the RISE theatre team, accompanied by an original sound track and inspiring graffiti set design. Join us on Wednesday 4 October at 7:30pm in the Hall.

ALPHA: Explore the Christian faith at an Alpha course - a talk, ask questions, share your thoughts. Bring a friend or neighbour who may be interested in the Christian faith. An inter-church Alpha course starts with an introductory dinner on Monday 18 September at the Breadhouse in Market Place, Chalfont St Peter at 7.45pm. It continues on Monday evenings until 4 December - www.alpha.org. Collect a flyer from the porch or contact St Joseph's Church representative, John Moroz, on 07519 286638.



TEA IN THE POT resumes on Wednesday 6 September in the Parish Centre from 8:30am onwards. Come along and enjoy a cuppa and make new friends!



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.

We now require men's pants/boxer shorts, socks and pullovers please. Thank you.

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

CAFOD: Do join us to hear about CAFOD's work with a focus on El Salvador. All are welcome.

Saturday 16 September – Sacred Heart, Pyramid Close, Weston Favell, Northampton NN3 8DP.

Saturday 23 September – Our Lady of Grace, Squirrel Lane, High Wycombe HP12 4RY.

Both days are from 10:15am – 2:30pm (coffee/tea from 10am with shared lunch from 1:30pm). Please let us know if you can attend – 01844 274724 or northampton@cafod.org.uk.

APH MILL HILL MISSION members are asked to pick up their autumn copy of Mission Today from the back of the Church.

PILGRIMAGE of Reparation and Prayer for the Sanctity of Life led by Rt Rev. Robert Byrne CO to Walsingham will take place on Sunday 17 September. Departures from Burnham, Slough and Langley Tickets cost £17. Call Denise 07572 480408 or Yvonne 01628 605764.



CONGRATULATIONS to

Alicia Walker and Jonathan Patten; Charlotte Clarke and Tommy Gates who were married recently at St Joseph's. We wish them God's blessing and every happiness for the future.

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS to the Delaney family whose daughter Helena was baptised recently. We ask God's blessings on this child and her family.



Lord, give to all those suffering bereavement the support of family and friends at this time.

The SVP welcomes the stranger like Sue by providing comfort and emotional support to the bereaved. If needed, it also offers practical help to those feeling bereft and vulnerable in their grief. Contact the Parish Office to find out more about the work of the SVP here in St Joseph's.

"Saint Vincent de Paul said 'We should strive to keep our hearts open to the sufferings and wretchedness of other people and pray continually that God may grant us that spirit of compassion, which is truly the spirit of God'. That is the Vincentian spirit, to be alongside those who are struggling and in difficulty, and neglected."
Monsignor Malachy Keegan, Prisons Chaplain

TEA AND CHAT: All

welcome for Tea and a Chat in the first Committee Room from 2pm to 4pm every Thursday. All are welcome.



SONGS OF PRAISE: Our

Holy Name choir are joining with St Mary's choir for a special "Songs of Praise" get together. This is for their patronal feast day on Sunday 10 September from 2:30 – 3:30pm at St Mary's Church in Denham Village. All are welcome. Come along and support the choir whilst enjoying some of your favourite hymns.

SALE OF TRADICRAFT GOODS TODAY – SUNDAY 3 SEPTEMBER after 9am Mass in the Parish Centre and after 11am Mass in the First Committee Room.

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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