

4 June 2017

Pentecost Sunday

Sundays Year A – Weekdays Year 1 – Psalter Week 1



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 Martin McDonald OCD, Fr Maurice Flynn OCD

5 June St Boniface, Bishop & Martyr - Memorial

THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION last weekend amounted to £2,585. Your continued support is appreciated.

WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY second collection raised £833.92.

TODAY - MESSY CHURCH:

Children are invited to celebrate "*The Day When God Made the Church*" after the 9am Mass for Pentecost. There will be arts and crafts, a Fruits of the Spirit treasure hunt, a Birthday cake and refreshments for parents.

TONIGHT IS FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT:

After 5:30pm Mass you are invited to watch the movie "*God's Not Dead 2*" in the Parish Centre, with Birthday cake, popcorn and ice cream! This film is about a high school teacher who is questioned in class about Jesus and her response lands her in deep trouble...

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: The 10am Mass on Saturdays 10 and 17 June will be First Holy Communion Masses for Year 3 children of St Joseph's School. We ask you to remember these children and their families in your prayers.

"A WONDER OF CREATION" next **Tuesday 6 June** in the First Committee Room, the RCIA group has invited Sister Mary Christa to share her love of bees and some of what she has learnt over the decades rearing them and gathering honey. All are welcome 7:30 for 8pm.

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

SALE OF TRADCRAFT GOODS TODAY – SUNDAY 4 JUNE after the 9am Mass in the Parish Centre and after 11am Mass in the First Committee Room.

READING THE WORD OF GOD:

The Northampton Liturgy Commission is leading a Readers Course at St Columba's, Chesham HP5 3HQ on Tuesdays 6, 13 and 20 June from 7:30pm until 9pm in the Hall. Topics include The Scriptures, The Lectionary and Proclaiming the Word of God. Booking forms available from the Parish Office.

CORPUS CHRISTI

PROCESSION: All are invited to a Pastoral Area Corpus Christi Procession on Sunday, 18 June at St Aidan's, Little Chalfont after the 11am Mass. It will be led by our First Communicants. The gates to the church car park will be closed at 11:45am for the safety of all. Additional

parking at the Gun Club further down Finch Lane on the left.

HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY: Every Sunday, there are two people in the Oratory after the 9am Mass who are happy to pray with you.

This can help people to encounter for themselves the presence of God the loving Father who desires to bring healing of mind, body and spirit to each one of us: God who desires that we know His closeness to us in all the circumstances of our lives and who guides us through them.

REPOSITORY: Cards for First Holy Communion are now on sale.



PENTECOST NOVENA

Come, Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be
created
and You will renew the face of the earth.
Our Father ...
Our Lady, Spouse of the Holy Spirit,
Pray for us.
Glory be to the Father ...
Amen

Youth News

Come join us today to celebrate Pentecost.

Email: Isabel@stjosephs.org.uk

GET IN TOUCH! If you did not receive a letter from Fr Michael re Parish Day and the Annual Raffle and/or if you never get an email from the parish – you may not be registered OR we have some bit of information wrong! Please go to the parish website and click the blue registration button on the right-hand side OR email or ring the parish office to find out how. Contact details in the newsletter footer.

MANY THANKS to all those who have been delivering the letters across the parish. You have helped save £600+ in postage!

PRAYER FOR PRIESTS: As lay people we are called to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life but we are also called to give our gift of prayer to those already ordained. Priests have given up their lives to be as much like Christ as possible and this is never easy. We may love our priests or we may struggle with them but one of the best things we can do for them is pray for them. So the Emmanuel Community is inviting each of you to pray just a few minutes each day for priests. If you want to be part of this please take a prayer card from the back of the Church.

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.

NEW men's underpants/boxer shorts will be welcome – these can be placed in the bin outside the Parish Centre.

APF RED HILL MISSION (MISSIO): Red box holders and donors are requested to collect their summer copy of 'Mission Today' from the back of the Church.

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

THE VINE: Please pick up a copy of the June edition.

The **CHURCH FLOWER ARRANGING GROUP** is looking for new members to be part of a team working on Friday mornings on a rota basis. Training will be given to help new volunteers. Would YOU like to help with this enjoyable work for the Church? If so, please contact Maureen on 01753 885578 or office@stjosephs.org.uk.

A DANCE in aid of the Children's HCPT Groups Easter Pilgrimage to Lourdes is taking place on Saturday 24 June at the Slough Irish Club with dancing from 9pm until midnight. Tickets are £5 and available from Kay on 0775956-895. All monies raised will pay for a child with special needs to travel to Lourdes Easter 2018.

A MASS for Richard Delahunty RIP will be celebrated at 5pm on Wednesday 14 June at St Josephs.

JOAN OF ARC VACANCIES: The school has two support staff vacancies to commence in September:

Pastoral Support Assistant – A motivated individual with experience of working with young people is required to give administrative and practical support to the Learning Co-ordinators (Heads of Year) in their role of managing the progress, behaviour and well-being of pupils. They will contribute to ensuring that the school is an environment that encourages purposeful learning to take place.

Teaching Assistant – Enthusiastic, energetic individual required to join the Learning Support Department working with teaching staff to support pupils with a wide range of educational needs. Previous experience working with young people is desirable.

Application forms are available from the school on 01923 773881 or at the school website www.joa.herts.sch.uk. Closing date for applications is Thursday 22 June.

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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