

8 October 2017

Twenty-Seventh Sunday of the Year

Sundays Year A – Weekdays Year 1 – Psalter Week 3



St Joseph's Parish, Diocese of Northampton

Order of Discalced Carmelites (OCD)

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THIS WEEKEND there will be an appeal and a second collection for CAFOD Fast Day. Please use the special

donation envelope and fill in the attached gift aid form if you are a UK tax payer. Your generosity will show the world's poor that they are not alone.

THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION last weekend amounted to £2,341. Your continued support is appreciated.

POUND COINS: This is the last weekend that we will be able to accept the *old* pound coins in the Offertory Collection.

LAST SUNDAY the second collection for the **SVP** raised £1988.58. The SVP would like to express its deep gratitude to all parishioners for their generous donation that will be used to support the most vulnerable and needy in our area.

Rosary Group - St John Paul II said that, by reciting the Rosary, we enter into the memories of Mary. To "*remember*" is to make present God's saving works. "*It is to be open to the grace which Christ won for us.*" Therefore, the Blessed Mother presents her Son's mysteries to us "*with the desire that the contemplation of those mysteries will release all their saving power.*" Please come and join us in praying the Rosary, particularly during this Month of the Holy Rosary, each week on **Tuesday and Friday at 7:30 pm in the Oratory.** Anyone is welcome at any time.

RCIA/Focus on Faith is on Tuesday evenings at 7:30/8pm in the Library, when we explore our Faith. If you are seeking Baptism, Confirmation or wishing to come into full communion with the Catholic Church, please speak to Fr Michael.

ANNUAL REPORT 2017: A copy of this year's Parish Annual Report is now available from the website. Paper copies can be obtained from the Parish Office. The AGM took place last Sunday and was attended by **35** parishioners. The Meeting Minutes will be made available shortly.

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

SCHOOL APPLICATION FORMS: If you require your child's school application or Certificate of Catholic Practice to be signed, Fr Michael will be available on **Thursday 12 and 19 October at 9:30am; 2:30pm and 7pm.** Please come to the Parish Office

QUIZ NIGHT: Join us for a charity quiz on Saturday 21 October at 7pm in the Parish Centre. Entry is £4 per person which includes light refreshments. Bring your own drinks. There will also be a raffle.

ST JOSEPH'S CHRISTMAS PUDDINGS:

Brought to you by the Ultimate Plum Pudding Company (suppliers to Fortnum & Mason) adorned with labels designed by children from St Joseph's School. Why not get ahead for Christmas? Choices include Plum, Sticky Toffee, Triple Ginger, Luscious Lemon and Triple Chocolate Puddings as well as luxury butters and sauces. Order Forms available in the Church Porch or from the Parish Office. Proceeds will be split between the parish and the school. **Deadline for orders is Wednesday 18 October.**



ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL is delighted

to invite prospective parents and pupils to its **Open Mornings** which take place on **Wednesdays 11 and 18 October** from 9am until 12 noon. The children are looking forward to showing you around the school which is Ofsted rated GOOD, with OUTSTANDING pupil development, behaviour and welfare.

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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.

LARGE PRINT HYMN BOOKS: We have acquired five large print hymn books for use by parishioners with sight problems. These are on the bookshelf in the main porch.

Youth News

There is no Youth Group tonight but will be back next Sunday 15 October in the Parish Centre at 6:30pm to 8pm. For 11-18 year olds.

APPLE PICKING: It has been another good year for apples and it is now time to harvest the apples from the orchard. Join us **after the 9am Mass this Sunday 8 October**. It is a lovely community event and great fun, especially for children. The apples will be used to make our own St Joseph's Apple Juice which will be on sale after Masses next Sunday or from the Parish Office from next Monday.



RACE NIGHT on Saturday 11 November: The horses are now being groomed and prepared for the 11th. Tickets are now available. Watch out for a parish email this week with all the details of the evening as well as how to get your tickets. Don't hesitate; book early to secure your ticket.

FAIRTRADE – "Peru with a Purpose" talk by Fairtrade Representative, Margaret Dykes will take place on Wednesday 11 October at 7/7:30pm in Chalfont St Giles Parish Church. Tickets £5 to include a Fairtrade wine and nibbles. Contact Margaret Dykes on 01494 874511.

BRIDGETTINE SISTERS THANK YOU: Sister Jansi and her friends want to thank all those who went to their Cream Tea Party of raise funds for their Grotto. It raised over £350 for which they are very grateful.

200 Club Winners

The 200 Club draw was drawn by the **Flower Arranging Group** on Friday and the lucky winners are:

- 1st Paul Johnson
- 2nd Josy Clark
- 3rd Richard Cottle
- 4th David Parkhouse

Congratulations!

FATIMA 100

This coming Friday, 13 October it will be 100 years since Our Lady's sixth and final apparition to Lúcia (10), Francisco (9) and Jacinta (7) whilst tending their sheep the small village of Fatima. It was on this day that the "Miracle of the Sun" occurred. In the middle of a rainstorm the clouds broke up and the sun was seen as a disk spinning in the sky, throwing off great rays of fantastic colours. Suddenly it seemed to fall until it almost reached the earth, but then it stopped, slowly making its way back into the sky.

Litany to Our Lady of Fatima

Our Lady of Fatima, pray for our dear country.
Our Lady of Fatima, sanctify our clergy.
Our Lady of Fatima, make our Catholics more fervent.
Our Lady of Fatima, guide and inspire those who govern us.
Our Lady of Fatima, cure the sick who confide in thee.
Our Lady of Fatima, console the sorrowful who trust in thee.
Our Lady of Fatima, help those who invoke your aid.
Our Lady of Fatima, deliver us from all dangers.
Our Lady of Fatima, help us to resist temptation.
Our Lady of Fatima, obtain for us all that we lovingly ask of thee.
Our Lady of Fatima, help those who are dear to us.
Our Lady of Fatima, bring back to the right road our erring brothers.
Our Lady of Fatima, give us back our ancient fervor.
Our Lady of Fatima, obtain for us pardon of our manifold sins and offences.
Our Lady of Fatima, bring all men to the feet of thy Divine Child.
Our Lady of Fatima, obtain peace for the world.

O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.
Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us now and at the hour of our death.
Amen.

Let Us Pray:

O God of infinite goodness and mercy, fill our hearts with a great confidence in Thy dear Mother, whom we invoke under the title of Our Lady of the Rosary and our Lady of Fatima, and grant us by her powerful intercession all the graces, spiritual and temporal, which we need.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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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