

27 January 2019

## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sundays Year C – Weekdays Year 1 – 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

28 January	St Thomas Aquinas, Doctor of the Church - Memorial
31 January	St John Bosco, Priest – Memorial
2 February	The Presentation of the Lord - Feast

**HOMELESS SUNDAY:** This weekend there will be an appeal and second collection for SHOC, Slough Homeless Our Concern. At its Day Centre in Slough SHOC helps people suffering from homelessness by providing hot meals, showers, fresh clothing, health management, financial advice and help with obtaining accommodation. An average of 35 people are supported at our Day Centre each day. SHOC's aim is to end homelessness in Slough.

**NEXT WEEKEND** the Carmelite Community from Boars Hill will visit St Joseph's and to speak to you all about our magazine Mount Carmel. It is probably the best kept secret in our Carmelite parishes so we want you to know about it and help us make it known. For those of you who have not yet read Mount Carmel, this is the magazine published by our own Carmelite friars. It is a rich source of spiritual teaching and well worth reading for help in prayer and for living one's daily life with God. Please consider taking advantage of this opportunity to enrich your spiritual life by taking out a subscription today. Thank you for your support.

**THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION** last weekend amounted to **£2,986**. Your continued support is appreciated.



**EXPLORE LIFE, FAITH and MEANING:** Do you know anyone who has questions about the Christian faith or is searching for meaning in their life? Bring them along to Alpha – a series of sessions exploring these questions in a relaxed environment,

free of charge. Each session includes a main talk, some time to say what you think, dessert and drinks. Sessions begin on Monday 28 January from 7:45pm to 9:30pm. To reserve a place please contact the Parish Office.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of **Nuala O'Reilly** who died recently. The funeral will take place on Friday 15 February at 11am at St Joseph's Church. We extend our deepest sympathy to all her family and friends.

**ALTAR SERVER TRAINING** will begin in the next few weeks. If your child would like to become part of the serving team please

go to the parish website and click the link to provide your details OR email [youth@stjosephs.org.uk](mailto:youth@stjosephs.org.uk). All servers must have made their First Holy Communion before they can participate. Please encourage your child to serve!



The **LONDON & 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. Please leave your donations in the metal box provided as this protects them from the elements; do not leave goods outside the Parish Centre. Many thanks for your continued support.

**DOWRY TOUR – BRINGING ENGLAND'S NAZARETH TO**

**NORTHAMPTON:** England will be rededicated as the Dowry of Mary in 2020. As part of the spiritual preparation for the rededication, the Statue of Our Lady of Walsingham will visit every Catholic English Cathedral. The first visit of 2019 is to our own Cathedral in Northampton for a three day triduum of prayer from **Thursday 7 to Saturday 9 February**. The presence of Our Lady of Walsingham through her renowned Statue from the Slipper Chapel invites us all to meditate on the missionary role of Our Lady of Walsingham for the re-evangelisation and conversion of England, Mary's Dowry. As a special grace for Our Lady's Dowry Tour a Holy House will be built in the Cathedral, in which Our Lady and her divine Child can be honoured as they were of old. *"All who would seek me there in that little house, shall find help in their need."* For more details, please pick up a flyer from the church porch. If you are interested in going please contact the Parish Office as it may be possible to organise a group or car-sharing.

**AUDITOR WANTED:** St Joseph's School is looking for a volunteer to audit its school fund. It is a small, single bank account which has to be audited by a qualified auditor or accountant. If you can help, please contact the school office on 01753 887743 or [office@st-josephsprimary.bucks.sch.uk](mailto:office@st-josephsprimary.bucks.sch.uk).

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

**YOUTH GROUP:** *If you've never been to Youth Group and are interested or curious...come along for fun, food, games, laughs and meet new friends. We meet regularly on Sunday evenings during term time in the Parish Centre. All young people in Year 6 and above are most welcome. Come along this evening from 6:30pm until 8pm – why not give it a try?*



**#SIGNIFICANCE:** On Saturday 2 March thousands of young people from all over the country will travel to The SSE Arena in Wembley for this year's FLAME Congress, entitled "Significance." We are in a world where it's easy to feel constrained, to measure self-esteem in Twitter and Instagram "likes", responses to Facebook status updates and Snapchat conversations. FLAME 2019 offers a fresh perspective for young people, centred in their creation in the image and likeness of God. Book your place online now via the parish website. Open to those aged 12-18. Cost is £10 plus your train fare.

The Board of Directors of St Luke Academies Trust are seeking to appoint a **SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT DIRECTOR** with a proven record of accomplishment in leadership and school improvement and a commitment to the Catholic ethos of the Trust. For any queries you may have please telephone Nicola Vaughan on 01536 203251 or email [Nicola.Vaughan@st-luke-at.co.uk](mailto:Nicola.Vaughan@st-luke-at.co.uk).

**ST JOHN'S BEAUMONT – A Catholic Option in Independent Education.** St John's Beaumont is a Jesuit preparatory school for boys ages 3-13 in Old Windsor. Bursaries may be available to support Catholic families. The next Open Morning is Tuesday 29 January. Please contact Anne Barker on 01784 432428 for more information or see the website at [www.sjbwindsor.uk](http://www.sjbwindsor.uk).

### 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 in the Oratory (enter via Sacristy)  
**Eucharistic Adoration:** Wednesday and Thursday from 10am until 9pm in the Oratory  
Website: [www.stjosephs.org.uk](http://www.stjosephs.org.uk)

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### ST JOSEPH'S 200 CLUB 2019 - If you're not in, you can't



**win!** The 200 Club is a Prize Draw club for parishioners, their friends and families, offering four cash prizes each month. Prizes are paid out

from 50% of membership proceeds (e.g. if 200 members monthly prizes total £1000, if 100 members monthly prizes total £500), with an equal amount raised for parish funds.

Thank you to those who have signed up already. Please join by emailing [200club@stjosephs.org.uk](mailto:200club@stjosephs.org.uk), or completing forms available at the back of the Church or the Parish Website. ***Closing date is now Wednesday 6 February.***

The **ANNUAL SHOC QUIZ** is being held on **Saturday 9 February** in Stoke Poges. Following the appeal for Homeless Sunday to support our local homeless, might you consider taking a table at this annual enjoyable event? Light supper included, tickets £12. Please contact [alanmadgeslough@aol.com](mailto:alanmadgeslough@aol.com) and see the parish website Diary Dates for the flyer.



**CAFOD SUPPORTERS' EVENT:** All are warmly welcome to hear about some of the hardest to reach most vulnerable communities in the world like those in Sierra Leone and Liberia and how your support is empowering them to overcome poverty.

- Saturday 2 February at Immaculate Heart of Mary, Great Missenden, HP16 9AA.
- Saturday 23 February at Our Lady of Help of Christians, Olney MK46 5HJ.

The days are from 10:15am – 2:30pm (coffee/tea from 10am with shared lunch from 1:30pm). Please book a place please ring 01494 863 777 or [northampton@cafod.org.uk](mailto:northampton@cafod.org.uk).

**STUDENT CROSS HOLY WEEK WALKING PILGRIMAGE (12 – 21 April):** A new concept for you? It began over 70 years ago. A full sized cross is carried to Walsingham where the Easter Triduum is celebrated. This is an ecumenical, Catholic run activity which involves walking 10+ miles each day with planned food and night stops. For full details please contact [studentcross.org.uk](http://studentcross.org.uk).

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