



St Joseph's Parish, Diocese of Northampton

Order of Discalced Carmelites (OCD)

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24 February 2019

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sundays Year C – Weekdays Year 1 – Psalter Week 3

1 March	St David, Bishop, Patron of Wales - Feast
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THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION last weekend amounted to **£2,285**. Your continued support is appreciated.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of **Bridget Ingram** who died recently. The funeral will take place on Thursday 28 February at 10:30am at St Joseph's Church. We extend our deepest sympathy to all her family and friends.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of **Pat Evans** who died recently. The funeral will take place at the Chilterns Crematorium in Amersham on Friday 1 March at 11:45am. This will be followed by a Memorial Mass at St Teresa's Beaconsfield at 12:45pm. We extend our deepest sympathy to all her family and friends.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of **Anne Lipscomb** who died recently. The funeral will take place on Wednesday 13 March at 12 noon at St Joseph's Church. We extend our deepest sympathy to all her family and friends.

THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER written by the Women of Slovenia, takes place at St Andrew's United Reform Church in Gerrards Cross next **Friday 1 March** at 10:30am. Everybody is welcome at this Ecumenical service so please join us.

AN INVITATION TO PRAISE AND WORSHIP from the Breadhouse and Unique Like You – for all who are sympathetic to the Christian faith and want to join us in thanking God for his work. This takes place at the Breadhouse, Market Place next **Friday 1 March** at 7:45 – 9:15pm when canapes and barista coffee will be served. Invitations to this free event are in the Church porch.

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

The **NORTHAMPTON DIOCESAN DIRECTORY 2019** is now available from the bookshop priced at £4.

ST PATRICK'S DAY cards, rosettes and ribbons are now on sale from the Repository at very reasonable prices.

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT
25 FEBRUARY – 10 MARCH



During **FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT** thousands of individuals, companies and groups across the UK come together to celebrate the people who grow our food; people who live in some of the poorest countries in the world and who are often exploited and badly paid. This year we are focusing on the people – in particular the women – who grow the cocoa in the chocolate we love so much. Help make a difference - buy Fairtrade and encourage others to do the same. **#FairtradeFortnight**

St Joseph's Parish has been a Fairtrade Parish since 2012. We support Fairtrade in our parish by using Fairtrade products, most noticeably tea, coffee and sugar when serving refreshments after Mass.

SALE OF TRADICRAFT GOODS NEXT SUNDAY

3 MARCH after 9am and 11am Masses – please show your support.



GLOBAL HEALING – How our faith helps us to care for our common home.

"There is a real danger that we will leave future generations only rubble, deserts and refuse ... We cannot afford to waste time" Pope Francis

Responding together to Pope Francis' call (in his encyclical "Laudato Si") to care for creation and to pass on a healthy planet to future generations, you are invited to come to watch this free film at any one of the following times in the First Committee Room at St Joseph's Church.

Wednesday 27 February at 7:30 for 7:45pm

Thursday 28 February at 9:30am for 9:45am

The Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales commissioned this DVD to be produced by CaFE (Catholic Faith Exploration) and wishes it to be shown in all Parishes. Please take a look at a short trailer on our website www.stjosephs.org.uk. Please pick up a flyer from the Church porch.



FINAL CALL FOR YOUTH TRIP TO WEMBLEY: If you are aged 12-18 then come and join 10,000 young people for a memorable day out **next Saturday 2 March**. Fr Michael invites you to join him for **FLAME** at The SSE Arena in Wembley, where the theme of the congress is *"Significance."* We are in a world where it's easy to feel constrained, to measure self-esteem in Twitter or Instagram "likes", responses to Facebook status updates and Snapchat conversations. FLAME 2019 offers a fresh perspective for young people so why not come along – hear from inspiring speakers, watch RISE Theatre and listen to some amazing music. The cost is just £10 plus your train fare. **Book your place online now via the parish website.** The deadline for ticket applications has been extended to Thursday 28 February. **#SIGNIFICANCE**

"Faith is a flame that grows stronger the more it is shared and passed on." Pope Francis

GIFT AIDERS: Please collect your boxes of envelopes for the next twelve months from the back of the Church. Many thanks for your continued support of this scheme. Parishioners who wish to join the scheme may do so by completing a Gift Aid Declaration form which is available from the website or Parish Office.

FRANKING MACHINE: Do you have a Franking Machine or access to one? If so, please get in touch with Joan Barham at the Parish Office.

DISRUPTION TO CAR PARK OVER COMING WEEKS: Remedial works must be undertaken to the church roof as a matter of urgency. Contractors are now on site to effect these essential repairs. Scaffolding has been erected on both sides of the church to provide access to the roof. It is anticipated that these works will be completed before Easter. Every effort is being made to minimise disruption to the car park. Thank you for your patience and co-operation.

HELPING HANDS NEEDED: An 'assembling party' for a parish mailing will be held on Thursday 7 March from 9am in the First Committee Room. Any help gratefully received for as much or as little time as you have to give. It is very organised and your help will be well used. Please stop in if you can.

WAITROSE GREEN TOKENS: Shoppers at Waitrose in Gerrards Cross can support **The London and Slough Run** by popping their green tokens into their section of the 'Community Matters' box.

PANCAKE MORNING: The St Vincent de Paul invites you to join them on **Shrove Tuesday 5 March**, for a pancake morning. Come along to the Parish Centre between 9.30am and 11.30am and enjoy freshly prepared pancakes.

The **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. 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.

CLOTHING WANTED: The SVP is looking for clothing for a tall, slim boy (age 10-11 or 10-12). Items such as nightwear, coat/jacket, tops, trousers particularly needed, also shoes size 2 or size 3. Baby clothes for a girl aged 12 months have also been requested. If you can help, please contact the Parish Office.

PRIORY SIDE PARKING: Please be reminded that the driveway leading up to the Priory from Bull Lane must be kept clear at all times for emergency access.

HR ADMINISTRATOR is required by the All Saints Catholic Academy Trust, based at St Joan of Arc Catholic School. The term time only role (15.5 hours per week) will cover all aspects of HR administration. Application forms are available at www.joa.herts.sch.uk. Closing date for applications is Thursday 14 March.

THANK YOU: The family of Gerry Dawson thank parishioners and friends for their Masses and prayers, also their kindness and support during this very difficult time.

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

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