

5 May 2019

Third Sunday of Easter

Sundays Year C – Weekdays Year 1 – Psalter Week 3



St Joseph's Parish, Diocese of Northampton

Order of Discalced Carmelites (OCD)

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PARISH FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: The 11am Mass this Sunday 5 May is a First Holy Communion Mass for parish children who do not attend catholic schools. Please pray for these children who come together at God's table for the first time to share in the Eucharist.

Monday 6 May is a BANK HOLIDAY so there will be only **one Mass at 10am** in St Joseph's Church.

NEXT WEEKEND there will be a second collection for the Diocesan Priest's Training Fund.

THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION last weekend amounted to **£3,036**. Your continued support is appreciated.

The second collection taken for **Holy Places** on Good Friday amounted to **£771.46**.

CHANGE TO MASS TIME AT BRIDGETTINE CONVENT: Next Sunday 12 May Mass at the Bridgettine Convent in Iver Heath will be at 12 noon. There will be no Mass at 9am.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of **Terence Kirkham** who died recently. The funeral will take place on Thursday 9 May at 12:30pm at the Hampden Chapel, Chilterns Crematorium. We extend our deepest sympathy to all his family and friends.

A selection of **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** and **CONFIRMATION** cards, mementos and souvenirs are now available at very reasonable prices from the Repository at the back of the church.

This month's edition of **THE VINE** is available 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 **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 Bank Holiday 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.

SALE OF TRADCRAFT GOODS TODAY – SUNDAY 5 MAY after the 11am Mass in the First Committee Room.

CWL CHARITY COFFEE MORNING: Next Sunday 12 May after the 9am and 11am Masses the Catholic Women's League will be hosting their annual charity coffee morning. Please pop into the Parish Centre after 9am Mass or the First Committee Room after 11am Mass and enjoy tea/coffee and homemade treats. The proceeds from this coffee morning will go to CWL charities.

BAGS2SCHOOL collects good quality second-hand clothing (adult/children's clothes, shoes, hats, belts, ties, handbags) and soft toys that can be re-used. St Joseph's School has organised a collection next **Tuesday 7 May**. The School gets paid by the kilo for donations. Please bring your bags to the car park on the Tuesday morning by 9am. No bedding, curtains, towels or bric-a-brac.



POSTPONED – FAMILY FIRST AID COURSE: Unfortunately we did not have enough people to run the course last week. We are hoping to reschedule to a Thursday evening in June. For more information or to book a place please contact Joan Barham at the Parish Office.

The new **LIFE BOUTIQUE CHARITY SHOP** opened this week in Gerrards Cross. Situated in Station Road, this has been assisted by a generous legacy from one of our parishioners, who was a life-long supporter of the Life Charity and its aims. Donations of good quality items should now be taken directly to the shop. See www.lifecharity.org.uk for more information.

HANGING BASKETS: Our very popular hanging basket and plant sale is back! **Orders will be taken** after the 9am, 11am and Denham Masses **next Sunday 12 May**. Order Forms are also available from the Church porch or via the website. Deadline for orders is Friday, 31 May, with collection from St Joseph's Church car park on Saturday 8 June between 3pm and 4pm.



THE MARCH FOR LIFE UK will take place on Saturday 11 May starting outside Westminster Church House, 25 Great Smith Street, London SW1P 3BN at 2pm. There will also be events in the morning from 9:30am until 1:30pm. For more details and local coach information see www.MarchforLife.co.uk.

CATHOLIC BASICS "THE MORAL LIFE" takes place on Thursday 16 May at the Diocesan Centre, Luton LU4 8JD. Come and join us to learn about the many-faceted jewel of the Church's teaching on morality. The course runs from 10am to 3pm (9:30am for refreshments) and there is Mass at 9am for those who wish to attend. Come and join us for an engaging day with full lunch, no qualifications needed. For bookings, contact Jackie at admin@nores.org.uk or phone 01582 723312.

VOCATIONS WEEKEND FOR YOUNG WOMEN: This weekend which is organised by the sisters, Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ) is taking place 24-26 May in Liverpool, the theme being Discernment and Vocation. If you are wondering if God is calling you to religious life and would like to find out more why not come along? You are welcome to stay for the weekend or just come along on Saturday for the day. There will be opportunity for prayer, reflection and input, chance to ask questions and to meet others who are also wondering where God is calling them. For more information, contact Sr Lynne fcj at lynnefcj@hotmail.com or visit www.fcjsisters.org.

**Save
the
Date**

St Joseph's Parish Summer Fête
Saturday 13 July
12 noon until 4pm

ACADEMY DIRECTOR RECRUITMENT: Would you like to help shape the future of Catholic Education in the Diocese? Do you have the skills to help direct the strategy and ethos of academies which currently educate over 10,000 pupils across the Diocese? Bishop Peter is currently recruiting Foundation Directors (non-executive) for our new Multi Academy Trusts in the north and south of the Diocese. The closing date for the first round of applications is 31 May. Application details at <https://bit.ly/2OPBIYx> or by contacting Debbie Main on 01582 723312 or main@nores.org.uk.

HOLY FAMILY PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES will take place from 24-29 June. Flights will be from Heathrow to Toulouse and then by coach to Lourdes. Price is £590 which inclusive of breakfast, lunch and dinner. The Spiritual Director is yet to be announced. Please contact Matthew Fernandes on 01753 675786 or 0758 666067 or Myo Lyn on 07807 375061.

CALLING ALL GOLFERS! Home-Start is Slough's most needed Children's' and Family Charity and is having its biennial Charity Golf Day at The Lambourne Golf Club, Burnham on Thursday 18 July. The format is a stapleford competition in teams of four, morning golf followed by lunch and many raffle prizes. To enquire or request a Registration Form please contact Alison at 01628 661029 or office@hsslough.co.uk.

APPEAL FOR KNITTING WOOL: We have some elderly, housebound ladies who really enjoy knitting. These kind-hearted ladies are making garments for premature babies at the hospital. Do you have any unwanted wool that they could use? If so, please drop your donations into the Parish Office.



Four Mikes on Bikes 2019

Fr Michael – Mike Carney – Mike Burton – Mick Claridge
With Denese Kennedy-Diggins (Welfare and Navigator)
and Malcolm Johnstone (Logistics and Driver)

They will be journeying to Rome and the Vatican to raise money for The London and Slough Run.

Mike Carney and Mick Claridge will leave from Gerrards Cross on Tuesday 14 May at 9am. Fr Michael and Mike Burton along with the back-up team will join them in Rheinmunster, Germany on Saturday 18 May, having left St Joseph's at 8am.

They will be giving a running commentary of their journey along with pictures, incidents and possibly some embarrassing moments, all of which will be available on the Parish website.

Donations to the London and Slough Run can be made via Just Giving.

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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