



## St Joseph's Parish, Diocese of Northampton

Order of Discalced Carmelites (OCD)

St Joseph's Priory, Austenwood Common, Chalfont St Peter, Buckinghamshire SL9 8RY

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11 August 2019

Nineteenth Sunday of the Year

Sundays Year C – Weekdays Year 1 – Psalter Week 3

14 August	St Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr – Memorial
15 August	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Solemnity and Holy Day of Obligation

**THURSDAY 15 AUGUST** is the **ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses at St Joseph's will be at 7am, 9am and 7:30pm.

**THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION** last weekend amounted to **£1,741**. Your continued support is appreciated.

**ADOREMUS – COME LET US ADORE:** Continuing our invitation to spend time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, there will be two hours of Adoration in the main church next **Thursday 15 August following the 9am Mass and ending at 11:30am**. This is the Feast day of The Assumption of Mary.

*St Pope John Paul II said, 'Mary lived with her eyes fixed on Christ, treasuring his every word: "She kept all these things, pondering them in her heart" (Luke 2:19 and 2:51). The memories of Jesus, impressed upon her heart, were always with her, leading her to reflect on the various moments of her life at her Son's side.*

We are invited to come and follow Mary's example by fixing our own eyes on Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

*'Perpetual Adoration extends its influence far beyond the individual adorers, touching their homes and families and reaching out to the parish community and beyond.'*  
(Pope St Paul VI)

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of **Thomas Sherry** who died recently. The funeral will take place on Thursday 15 August at 2pm at St Joseph's Church. We extend our deepest sympathy to all his family and friends.

**PILGRIMAGE TO SPAIN (November 6-13):** Registration is opened for our special 7 nights Retreat-Pilgrimage in Spain. We are delighted to invite you to share 8 days together in the company of Saints Teresa of Avila and John of the Cross in the places most associated with their life and work in Spain: Avila, Alba de Tormes, Burgos, Fontiveros, Medina del Campo, Salamanca, Segovia, Toledo and Valladolid. The price is an affordable **£880** (double occupancy/**£920** (single occupancy). A deposit of £200 to be received by 10 August is required to secure your place. Final balance to be paid by 31 August. Flexible monthly payments available on request. Request a booking form from Fr Alex. Complete and send the form to Fr Alex Ezechukwu OCD, Carmelite Priory, 41 Kensington Church Street, London W8 4BB. For further information call 07477673932 or email: [events@carmelite.org.uk](mailto:events@carmelite.org.uk)

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

### SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE

As in previous years, Sunday Mass times will be reduced during the holiday season.

Mass times in St Joseph's will be:

Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:30pm; Sunday Masses at 7:45am and 11am only

Mass in Holy Name, Denham (near UB9 5AR) at 9:30am on Sunday

Bridgettine Convent, Iver Heath, SL0 0NR - Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:30pm and Sunday at 9am

Normal Mass times will resume from Saturday 7/Sunday 8 September

**BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS** to the Nurmohamed and Kelly families whose children were baptised in June. We ask God's blessing on these children and their families.

An **EMAIL "SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE"** was sent to all parishioners recently. If you are online and didn't receive it then it means we don't have your email address. This is an opportunity to provide your details or register with the parish – contact us via [admin@stjosephs.org.uk](mailto:admin@stjosephs.org.uk).

**POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION:** Pope Francis asks us to join him in prayer for a special intention each month. In August – his prayer is for **Families** - that through their life of prayer and love, they become ever more clearly schools of true human growth.

**PASTORAL AREA SOCIAL – FEAST OF ST AIDAN:** On the afternoon of **Sunday 1 September**, there will be a Pastoral Area Walk followed by a BBQ in St Aidan's parish grounds to celebrate the Feast of St Aidan. The walk will start at 2pm with the BBQ around 4pm. If you are not wanting or able to walk you are still welcome at the BBQ. Please sign up via St Joseph's Parish Office so they will know how many to expect – the deadline for this will be Sunday 25 August. There will be no charge for this event but we will be taking donations on the day. Please see the poster on the noticeboard for more information.

**DIVINE ADORATION AT ST. AUGUSTINE'S, HIGH WYCOMBE:** You are warmly invited to a beautiful evening of Eucharistic Adoration, with praise and worship and prayer ministry on Friday 6 September at 8pm in the Upper Room, St. Augustine's Church, 24 Amersham Hill, High Wycombe, HP13 6NZ. Refreshments will be available beforehand, following the 6:30pm Mass.  
[www.st-augustines-church.org.uk](http://www.st-augustines-church.org.uk)



**TEA AND CHAT:** Join us for Tea and a Chat in the First Committee Room from 2pm to 4pm every Thursday. This will be running throughout the summer. All are welcome.

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. **We especially need sandwiches and food during the holiday period** as donations decrease whilst people are away on their summer break. Many thanks for your continued support.

**We are desperate for as many plastic carrier bags as possible to give out the sandwiches and goodie bags on Monday evenings.**

**PLEASE NOTE WE DO NOT REQUIRE ANY CLOTHING AT PRESENT.**

**YOUR PRAYERS** and fasting are required on Wednesday 14 August for the end of abortion and euthanasia in this country. Your prayer and fasting is urgently needed as there was a large increase in the number of abortions in this country last year. For details of our live saving work see [www.GoodCounselNetwork.com](http://www.GoodCounselNetwork.com).

**SVP CASH4COINS RETURNS:** Help us raise a little money for the SVP using those old coins and left over holiday money that has been gathering dust in your top drawer. Pop your redundant currency into our collection bottle in the Parish Office and support the work done locally in our parish. Thank you for your support.



**THE CATHOLIC WORKERS FARM** would like to thank those of you, who donated fruit for our mothers and babies. If you can, please continue those donations and put them in the basket at the back of the church.



**THE VINE** is our Diocesan newspaper. The August edition features the Ecuadorian Mission visit to St Joseph's – see page nine for photos and article.

**SAVE THE DATE:** St Joseph's Golf Day will be taking place on Friday 20 September at Oakland Park Golf Club in Chalfont St Giles.

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## Sunday Mass Times

St Joseph's, Chalfont St Peter: Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:30pm, Sunday at 7:45am and 11am  
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:** None during the summer holidays.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** None during the summer holidays.

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