



## St Joseph's Parish, Diocese of Northampton

Order of Discalced Carmelites (OCD)

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10 November 2019

## Thirty-second Sunday of the Year

Sundays Year C – Weekdays Year 1 – Psalter Week 4

11 November	St Martin of Tours, Bishop – Memorial
12 November	St Josaphat of Polotsk, Bishop and Martyr – Memorial
14 November	All Saints of the Carmelite Order – Feast
15 November	Commemoration of All the Dead of the Carmelite Order

**THIS SUNDAY is REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY** and a two-minute silence will be observed before the 11am Mass.

**NEXT WEEKEND** there is a second collection for the Sick and Retired Priests' Fund.

**THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION** last weekend amounted to **£2,546**. Your continued support is appreciated.

**SECOND COLLECTION** for the Bishop's Maintenance Fund amounted to £882.44.

### ADOREMUS – COME LET US

**ADORE:** Continuing the invitation to spend time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, there will be two hours of Adoration in the main Church next Friday 15 November from 7:30 to 9:30pm.

This special time of prayer could be an opportunity to come and pray for all our departed loved ones who are making their journey towards the eternal light of God. Or to simply remain in the loving silence of Our Lord's Presence for a little while.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of **Yvonne Leigh** who died recently. The funeral will take place at 12:15pm on Monday 2 December at St Joseph's Church. We extend our deepest sympathy to all her family and friends.

The **9AM CHILDREN'S CHOIR** makes an enthusiastic and joyful contribution to the Sunday Mass as well as special celebrations such as the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day liturgies. Practices take place after Mass in the Hall as needed. Children who would like to join the choir are invited to come along to our next practice on Sunday 17 November in the Hall. **Everyone welcome.**

### ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH CLOSED 18-22 & 25-29

**NOVEMBER:** On Monday 18 November we begin a two-week project to install acoustic panels on the ceiling in St Joseph's Church. This necessitates closing the church from Monday to Friday both weeks. The 7am and 9am morning Masses will take place in the Oratory. Please use the side door by the First Committee Room and enter the Oratory via the Sacristy. Thank you for your co-operation and patience during these essential works.

### IN FLANDERS FIELDS



In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we lie  
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:  
To you from failing hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.

*Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae, MD  
Canadian Army (1872-1918)*

**ADVENT REFLECTION DAY:** On Saturday 23 November you are invited to join us for a day of reflection entitled "The Bible as a Prayer Book: Jesus the Teacher of Prayer". It takes place in the Parish Centre from 10:30am (after Saturday morning Mass) until 3:30pm. The keynote address will be by Fr Matt Blake OCD. It provides time for listening, prayer and reflection. Prepare for Advent and Christmas. Booking essential via the NORES office; email [admin@nores.org.uk](mailto:admin@nores.org.uk) or ring 01582 723312. The cost of the day is £15 with drinks available. Please bring a packed lunch.

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY ADVENT

**WORKSHOP:** All children (Pre-School to Year 6) are invited to join

us for this event on Sunday, 1 December after 9am Mass until 12 noon in the Hall. Activities include Christmas crafts and carol singing, whilst remembering the true meaning of Christmas. The cost is £4 per child. Advance booking and payment (cash only) by Wednesday 27 November is required. Spaces are limited as the workshop is extremely popular. Book online now via the website.

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

**APF MILL HILL MISSION:** Red Box holders and donors are asked to collect their 2020 calendars from the back of the Church. Red Box holders with full or even half full boxes are requested to hand them in for counting by 15 December. Many thanks.

**ST JOSEPH'S CEMETERY – MEMORIAL WALL:** The new Memorial Wall is now complete and has been consecrated. It has 114 vaults for the interment of ashes. Each vault offers a resting place for two sets of cremated remains and is sealed with a black granite plaque, with a gold inscription to commemorate the deceased. There are also 80 memorial plaques mounted on the wall, also made of black granite and inscribed in gold. These offer space to commemorate one deceased relative or friend, whether or not they are interred in the cemetery. All vaults and plaques are leased in perpetuity. They can now be purchased by parishioners; application forms are available from the Parish Office.



**Could you do it? Could you sleep outside in a cardboard box for one night?**

This year's Slough Sleepout for the Homeless is on Saturday 23 November at St Bernard's School, Slough SL3 7AF. It is an opportunity for everyone aged 16 or over to get involved; supporting those who are less fortunate than ourselves by sleeping outside for one night in a cardboard box. The Sleepout will take place in a fully managed, secure environment and we will supply the cardboard box, refreshments and entertainment. This event is critical to the success of the Slough Winter Night Shelter as it is our main event for raising the funds needed to run the night shelter every night from January to the end of March (typically the coldest months of the winter). Please support us in whatever way you can, either by sleeping out and getting sponsorship or making a donation. To register or donate, please go to [www.thelondonandsloughrun.com](http://www.thelondonandsloughrun.com).

**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. Many thanks for your continued support.

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

Join us for **YOUTH GROUP** this Sunday 10 November from 6:30 until 8pm in the Parish Centre. Open to all young people from Year 7 upwards.

**NORTHAMPTON CATHEDRAL DEVELOPMENT CAMPAIGN:** You can now find Northampton Cathedral Development Campaign on TheGivingMachine, a great fundraising site that lets you raise donations for Northampton Cathedral Development Campaign whenever you shop online. It's easy to use and doesn't cost you (or us) a penny! It's a fundraising charity setup to help other charitable causes raise money online. By signing up and shopping online via TheGivingMachine you will generate a free cash donation for us. With over 2,200 of your favourite retailers, including Amazon, eBay, M&S, NEXT, Tui, Sainsbury, John Lewis & Partners and Waitrose & Partners, you are bound to find what you need and generate a donation. To start go to <https://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/causes/northampton-cathedral-development-campaign> enter the sign up code 265642 and join – it's that easy. Thank you for your support.

**THE ALISTAIR ROBERTS MEMORIAL FUND (ARMF):** Christmas cards will be on sale at St Joseph's after the 5:30pm Mass on Saturday 16 November and after the 7:45am, 9am and 11am Masses on Sunday 17 November. The cards will be on sale at Holy Name Denham on Sunday 1 December and after the 5:30pm Mass at St Joseph's on Saturday 30 November. The cost is £5 per pack of six cards and envelopes. This year's card was drawn by Alexandre Clause, a pupil at St Joseph's School. All monies raised will support young people between the ages of 18-30 who wish to go to Lourdes to help the sick but do not have the financial means to afford the trip. We deeply appreciate your continued support.  
Jane and Kim Roberts

## HOLY SOULS

During November we pray especially for all the Holy Souls: those who have died in the past year, past members of our parish, our own departed relatives and friends and those who have no one to pray for them.

You are invited to place the names of loved ones in the golden box on the altar so we can remember them in our prayers.

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. 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 in the Oratory (enter via Sacristy)

**Eucharistic Adoration :** Wednesday and Thursday from 10am until 9pm in the Oratory

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