

1 April 2018
Easter Sunday

Sundays Year B – Weekdays Year 2 – Psalter Week 1



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

8 April	Second Sunday of Easter
9 April	Annunciation of the Lord - Solemnity
11 April	St Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr - Memorial

The Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday collections are for the Clergy of the Parish.

WEEKDAY MASS NEXT WEEK AT 10AM ONLY: During Easter Week (Monday through Friday) there will only be one morning Mass at 10am in St Joseph's Church. As from Saturday 7 April Mass times return to normal.

THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION last weekend amounted to £2,711. Your continued support is appreciated.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 8 APRIL: See how to best understand this devotion requested by Jesus through St Faustina Kowalska and celebrated annually in the Church on the Sunday after Easter – www.divinemercuryapostolate.co.uk.

God is Mercy itself, and we are called to practice the ABC of Mercy.

- A – Ask for his Mercy
- B – Be merciful to others
- C – Completely trust in Jesus

APH MILL HILL MISSION Red Box collection results for 2017 have been announced for the Northampton Diocese which shows this Parish raised £4,180.86 as follows:

St Joseph's donations	£3,509.00
Bridgettine Convent donations	20.58
Foreign money proceeds	243.68
Direct donations to Missio in London	407.60

Fr Donie O'Connor MHM and his team will be at every Mass during the weekend of **14/15 April** to express their thanks for your support and to answer any questions you may wish to raise.

There will be **NO ROSARY CIRCLE** during Easter Week. Rosary will resume on Tuesday 10 April.

There will be **NO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** during Easter Week. It will start again on Wednesday 11/Thursday 12 April.

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

FOLLOW ME - Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John: An eight week Bible study course at St Joseph's Church. This course will guide you through John's Gospel and invite you to encounter Christ every step of the way.

This course will run on Wednesday evenings starting 2 May at 7:45pm for 8pm. It will run simultaneously on Thursday mornings starting on 3 May at 9:30am. If you wish to register, please contact the Parish Office to sign up. Payment of £20 per person must be made by Wednesday 18 April so the books can be ordered. Leaflets can be found at the back of the Church.

ADOREMUS - National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress Liverpool – 7-9 September:

"We seek to rejuvenate Eucharistic adoration in our parishes as the source of strength for our lives and for our mission, that of making present the love and compassion of Jesus in our society."

Cardinal Vincent Nicholls

Who is the Pilgrimage and Congress for? Anyone who wishes to deepen their love and understanding of the Lord's gift of Himself in the Eucharist.

A small group will be going from our parish. Please speak to Fr Michael if you are interested in going to some or all of the weekend. More information can be found by following the link on the Parish website.

Bishop Peter Doyle warmly invites you to **CELEBRATE YOUR MARRIAGE with your family** at Holy Family, Langley SL3 7UD on **Saturday 14 April** at 12 noon. If you are celebrating a milestone anniversary, please contact Eamonn and Paola McMorro at mfl@nores.org.uk. All are very welcome to attend.

EASTER WORKSHOP: Join us for our Easter themed crafts and games workshop, organised by Children's Liturgy on **Thursday 12 April** in the Parish Centre/Hall. Registration is at 10am and pick up is at 3pm. Children (ages 5-12) will have great fun making Easter crafts and taking part in a beetle drive/treasure hunt. Drinks/biscuits during the day and a lunch of hot dog or pizza are included in the price. The cost is £10 per child. Numbers are limited and spaces will fill up quickly so don't delay! Tickets to be bought in advance from the Parish Office; payment by cash or cheque (payable to "St Joseph's Parish").



SALE OF TRADCRAFT GOODS will take place on **Sunday 8 April** after 9am Mass in the Parish Centre and after 11am Mass in the First Committee Room.

There will be **NO TEA AND A CHAT** on Thursday 5 April. It will resume again on Thursday 12 April.

TEA IN THE POT resumes on Wednesday 18 April.

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 use the metal box provided: do not leave goods outside the Parish Centre.



EYES DOWN on Saturday 14 April for our family bingo which starts at 4pm in the Parish Centre. Tickets are £5 each; these include your bingo card as well as food (hot dog or pizza). Drinks and sweet treats will be on sale. Why not get out for a few hours of family fun and support **Action Against Hunger**. Pay on the door (cash only).

FAMILY FIRST AID COURSE: Have you ever wondered how you would react to an emergency? This short course will provide information on how to cope with first aid emergencies in the home. It takes place on Thursday 19 April in the Parish Centre from 6:30pm until 9:30pm. The cost is £30 per person, which includes a First Aid manual, handouts and certificate. For more information or to book a place please contact Joan Barham at the Parish Office.



THE HEART OF THE CATHOLIC WORKER FARM: The St Vincent de Paul invites you to join them for a talk on Thursday 3 May at 6:30pm in the Parish Centre. Scott Albrecht from the Catholic Worker Farm will be speaking about their work with asylum seekers, victims of honour based violence and trafficked women. Scott and his wife

Birthe currently live with 20 wonderful 'sisters' and their children. They have lived with, and supported, over 500 women and children since they moved into the farm 12 years ago. African beans, rice and plantain will be served for supper, accompanied by a 'taster' of traditional African music. This evening is **FREE** and all are welcome.
thecatholicworkerfarm.org



The **PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED** until 9:30am on Monday 9 April. For information and/or enquiries during this time

please visit the website at www.stjosephs.org.uk or email office@stjosephs.org.uk. Alternatively call 01753 886581 and follow the prompt to leave a message or speak to a priest.

The next regular **NEWSLETTER** will be Sunday 15 April. Please submit any articles to office@stjosephs.org.uk by 12 noon on Thursday 12 April.

May this Easter Season inspire you to you hope, Happiness and prosperity all received through God's divine grace.
Easter blessings to you and your families.
Fathers Michael, Bob, Maurice and Matt

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

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