

20 August 2017

Twentieth Sunday of the Year

Sundays Year A – Weekdays Year 1 – Psalter Week 4



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

21 August	St Pius X, Pope - Memorial
22 August	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Memorial
24 August	St Bartholomew, Apostle - Feast

THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION last weekend amounted to £2,371. Your continued support is appreciated.

PRAYING THE ROSARY will recommence on Tuesday 5 September.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION will recommence on Wednesday 6/Thursday 7 September.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR ADORATION: In the peace and quiet of the Oratory, the Blessed Sacrament is exposed on Wednesdays and Thursdays where you are invited to spend time resting, reading or praying in the presence of the Lord. Currently we only have skeleton cover and sadly for some hours we have no volunteers so the Blessed Sacrament has to be put away. *Can you offer one hour of your time once a week? Or even once a fortnight?* If no one comes forward, we will have no choice but to reduce the hours and/or days Eucharistic Adoration takes place when we resume in September. For more information please contact Joan Barham at the Parish Office.

BRASS CLEANERS NEEDED: Can you spare an hour or so once every three months? We need help keeping the church brasses (such as candlesticks) clean and in good condition. Please let the Parish Office know if you can help.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION for August is "*For Artists: That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.*" Pope Francis has dedicated the month of August to praying for artists, praising them in his latest prayer video as heralds of God's beauty, and asking that through their work, they would help humanity discover the wonder of creation – "God saw all that he had made, and it was very good" (Gn 1:31). He says "*The arts give expression to the beauty of the faith and proclaim the Gospel message of the grandeur of God's creation. When we admire a work of art or a marvel of nature, we discover how everything speaks to us of Him and of His love.*"

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.

We now require men's pants/boxer shorts, socks and pullovers please. Thank you.

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

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, Mass times are 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, SLO ONR - Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:30pm and Sunday at 9am

Normal Mass times will resume from Saturday 2/Sunday 3 September



CONGRATULATIONS to Alexandra Roberts and Hartmut Kurz who were married recently at St Joseph's. We wish them God's blessing and every happiness for the future.

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS to the Murray, Zealey and Mouncey Diez families whose children were baptised recently. We ask God's blessings on these children and their families.

ST JOSEPH'S GOLF DAY: Very many thanks to everyone who took part in our recent golf competition as well as those who kindly donated prizes and generously supported this annual event. In addition to great golf throughout the afternoon, we enjoyed the hospitality offered by Oakland Park Golf Club, which culminated with a delicious meal in the evening.



PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA will take place from 23 to 28 October flying from Gatwick to Lisbon by Monarch. Staying at Hotel Lux Mundi with meals including breakfast and dinner. Cost is £580 for five nights (plus single room supplement of £100). The Spiritual Director is Fr Stan Maciuszek. Places are limited so make contact early to avoid disappointment. Please ring Matthew Fernandes on 01753 675786 or mobile 07958 666067.



TEA AND CHAT: All welcome for Tea and a Chat in the first Committee Room from 2pm to 4pm every Thursday, continuing without any break throughout the summer holidays.

ALPHA: Explore the Christian faith at an Alpha course - a talk, ask questions, share your thoughts. Bring a friend or neighbour who may be interested in the Christian faith. An inter-church Alpha course starts with an introductory dinner on Monday 18 September at the Breadhouse in Market Place, Chalfont St Peter at 7.45pm. It continues on Monday evenings until 4 December - www.alpha.org. Collect a flyer from the porch or contact St Joseph's Church representative, John Moroz, on 07519 286638.

ST JOSEPH'S FURNITURE MARKET distributed £3,000 in August as follows:

The Parish	£1,500
Royal British Legion Poppy Walk	£300
Sense	£400
Bucks Mind	£400
Aspire	£400

SVP CASH4COINS: Turn your leftover holiday foreign currency or old, obsolete coins into cash for the SVP. Pop your redundant currency into our collection bottle in the Parish Office and support the work done locally in the parish. Thank you for your support.



200 Club Winners

The 200 Club draw took place last Wednesday and the lucky winners are:

- 1st Françoise Forster
- 2nd Mr S. Hopson
- 3rd Jane & Kim Roberts
- 4th B.V. Moore

Congratulations!

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: Tuesday and Friday at 7:30pm – will resume on 5 September

Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesday and Thursday from 10am until 9pm in the Oratory – will resume on 6 September

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