



St Joseph's Parish, Diocese of Northampton

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THIS NEWSLETTER IS ONLY AVAILABLE ONLINE.

7 June	Blessed Anne of Saint Bartholomew, Virgin of our Order – Optional Memorial
11 June	Most Sacred Heart of Jesus – Solemnity
12 June	Blessed Alphonsus Mary Mazurek, Priest and Companions of our Order, Martyrs – Optional Memorial

This weekend St Joseph's Church will be open for
Saturday 5:30pm Mass and for
both Sunday 9am and 11am Masses.

This coming week St Joseph's Church will be open
Monday to Friday for 7am Mass
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for 9am Mass
See [MASS TIMES](#) for latest information.



The Most Holy Name Church in Denham and the Parish Office remain closed until further notice.



We continue to broadcast all **MASSES** live from St Joseph's in real time via our live stream at www.stjosephs.org.uk/Live.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of Michael Gallagher who died recently. We extend our sympathy to all his family and friends.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please pray for the sick, those who care for them and those who have asked for our prayers. May the Lord guide them and strengthen them through their times of trial.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION for June 2021 is **The Beauty of Marriage** – Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.

CORPUS CHRISTI: Every Mass is a commemoration of Jesus' Last Supper and a proclamation and participation on this mystery. Because we can sometimes get lost in the routine each Sunday, the feast of Corpus Christi helps us to focus on what we are called to do at Mass:

CELEBRATE what we believe. We express our faith in the risen Christ, who gave his life for us out of love.

LIVE what we believe. We give witness to the risen Christ by our way of life.

BECOME what we receive. We become Christlike, so that others might see in us and in what we do the one who gave his life for us.

"We cannot do without the Eucharist, for it is God's memorial. And it heals our wounded memory." Pope Francis

ADOREMUS - COME LET US ADORE: Friday 11 June from 7:30pm to 9:30pm. On the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, the church will be open for two hours of quiet prayer and adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

On this day, *'the Church presents us this mystery for our contemplation: the mystery of the heart of a God who feels compassion and who bestows all his love upon humanity.'* (Pope Emeritus Benedict XVII)

Our focus stays on the Sacred Heart of Jesus for the whole month of June.

THE CHURCH SERIES: Each Wednesday at 6:30pm Bishop David is broadcasting a teaching series focused on 'The Church'. You are invited to join him on YouTube as he unpacks the nature of our Church and her role in our society. Using the ecclesiological texts of the Second Vatican Council and the thoughts of some great theologians and thinkers, he encourages us to pray through this journey of discovery into God's will for our communities. These bitesized videos are open to all and we encourage you to share them with your friends and family, regardless where they are in their journey of faith.

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH: God entrusted his only Son to Joseph to protect, guard, teach and love him. He shows us the important role that all parents – biological, adoptive, foster or spiritual – can play in the lives of all children. So, in this month where we celebrate Father's Day, we continue our series of reflections on his qualities and virtues with "St Joseph, Foster Father".

CELEBRATING EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Bishop David invites all those who have served as Lay Ministers of the Eucharist to join him in praying a **holy hour on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, this Sunday 6 June, at 3pm** in the Cathedral. You are invited to attend in person or to [join via the live stream](#) During this last year, COVID-19 has severely restricted the service of Lay Ministers of the Eucharist during Mass and in taking Communion to the sick and housebound. As the situation opens up we have an opportunity to thank God for what has been possible.

PRAYER FOR EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Gracious Lord,
you nourish us with the body and blood
of your Son,
that we might have eternal life.
Bless our brothers and sisters
who have been chosen
to give the bread of heaven and
the cup of salvation
to your faithful people.
May the saving mysteries they distribute
lead them to the joys of eternal life.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

MISSION NORTHAMPTON is a new Outreach and Evangelisation Agency launched by Bishop David. Mission Northampton works across our whole Diocese from Slough up to Corby. Bishop David has appointed Fr Simon Penhalagan as the Director of Mission Northampton and he will be assisted by Maria and Alex Heath and Fr David Donaghue. For more information and to watch their introductory videos [click here](#).

ENTERTAINING ANGELS PART 2 - Becoming a Truly welcoming church is key to the full re-opening of our parishes. Our second zoom session offered by the Diocese will take place on **Saturday 12th June 1030-1200 noon**. All are welcome.



BOARS HILL: Our Discalced Carmelite Community at Boars Hill near Oxford runs a [Retreat Centre](#). They are currently offering a wide range of on-line retreats and courses, based mostly on Carmelite spirituality and the ancient tradition of prayer. These provide the opportunity for you to leave your busy life and spend time in peaceful contemplation. [Click here](#) to see what is available and to register.

PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES: Thank you to Simon Hardcastle and Gillian Sugrue who have recently taken on this Safeguarding role for our parish. As part of their work they will help to promote the Safeguarding Culture in St Joseph's Parish.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES: The new set of envelopes will be available for collection from the porch as you enter church from this weekend. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT.**

THE LONDON & SLOUGH RUN continues this Monday 7 June. Please bring your sandwiches, boiled eggs, soft fruit, crisps, drinks, individually wrapped cakes and small chocolate biscuit bars to the **Parish Centre by 12 noon on Monday**. We ask that you mark each sandwich bag clearly, stating what the contents are. Preferred fillings are ham, cheese, tuna, peanut butter, marmite or jam. You can leave your donations on the table just inside the door from 7:30am onwards **WE ARE IN URGENT NEED OF SUGAR, TEA, MARMITE, TUNA, TINNED TOMATOES, and TINNED VEGETABLES.** We also need **SHAVNG GEL/FOAM, RAZORS, SMALL BARS OF SOAP, SHAMPOO AND CONDITIONER** as well as **NEW MENS PANTS AND BOXER SHORTS ONLY**. [No other clothes yet](#). Very many thanks for your support.

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: *Suspended until further notice*

Bridgettine Convent, Iver Heath: See the [Bridgettine Order website](#) for details of Masses and Services.

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 *

Rosary: Tuesday and Friday at 7:30pm via Zoom

ALL BROADCAST VIA LIVE STREAM

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