



St Joseph's Parish, Diocese of Northampton
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5 September 2021 Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sundays Year B – Weekdays Year 1 – Psalter Week 3

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8 September The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary –
Feast



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

We **RETURN TO OUR NORMAL MASS SCHEDULE** as from Monday 6 September. Mass times are as follows:

St Joseph's

Monday to Friday Mass at 7am and 9am

Saturday Mass at 10am

Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:30pm

Sunday Masses at 7:45am, 9am, 11am and 5:30pm

The Most Holy Name

Sunday Mass at 9:30am

Bridgettine Convent

Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:30pm

Sunday Mass at 9am

There is limited space in the chapel so people still need to [book in advance via Ann Saunders](#).

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH IS OPEN daily for morning Mass and remains open until 5:30pm. Please use the side door by the car park to access the church during the daytime.

CONFESSIONS: The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available throughout the week by appointment.

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of **Margaret (Greta) Beane** who died recently. We extend our sympathy to all her family and friends.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of **Patricia (Patsi) Gethin** who died recently. We extend our sympathy to all her family and friends.

ADOREMUS – COME LET US ADORE: Wednesday 15 September from 7pm to 9pm. On the Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows, there will be two hours of Adoration in St Joseph's Church. Mary invites us to pray with the heart before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

"From Mary we learn to surrender to God's will in all things. From Mary we learn to trust even when all hope seems gone. From Mary we learn to love Christ her Son and the Son of God!"

St Pope John Paul

HOLY SPIRIT MASS: Join the Carmelites at Boars Hill on **Monday 6 September at 7:30pm** to thank God for the gifts of creation and our continued recreation in Christ made possible by the power and under the guiding light and wisdom of the Holy Spirit. Mass will be [live streamed via their website](#) and [broadcast via their YouTube channel](#).

HEALING MASS: The Carmelites at Boars Hill will offer a special Mass for spiritual, emotional and physical healing of loved ones or yourself on **Tuesday 7 September at 7pm**. The Mass will feature a homily focused around healing and a blessing will also be offered. Mass will be [live streamed via their website](#) and [via their Facebook Page](#).

ROSARY CIRCLE: The Rosary group will recommence at 7:30pm on Tuesdays and Fridays via Zoom from 7 September. If you are interested in joining, please contact the parish office who will provide you with details of whom to contact.

PLEASE PRAY for all those who are unwell. Whether in hospital, waiting for an operation or awaiting test results, we pray that those suffering will receive the support, care and attention they need to live pain free lives.

Welcome Back Sunday

Children's Liturgy will be back **next Sunday 12 September** at the 9am Mass – we really look forward to seeing you.

We also invite everyone of all ages to join us for some outdoor games on the grass after Mass along with coffee and biscuits to celebrate the start of the new school year.



PARISH FIRST HOLY

COMMUNION: This weekend 13 children from our parish will receive Jesus in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Please

pray for these children who come together at God's table for the first time to share in the Eucharist.

Children – May you always know how much Jesus loves you and may you come often to receive His precious gift.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION for September is An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle – We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH: The Bible refers to Joseph as a just man. This means he was a man of integrity. He was well respected in the community. He was a man of justice. He believed in doing what is right at all times. We reflect on this virtue in "[St Joseph the Just Man](#)".

FAVOURITE QUEEN SONG: This week Bishop David was invited onto OJ Borg's midnight show to 'Pause for Thought' on his favourite Freddie Mercury song. The singer would have been turning 75 this Sunday. He chose 'I want to break free'. [Click here to find out why.](#)

SEASON OF CREATION: Pope Francis [encourages participation in the Season of Creation](#) and says that it is a "season of increased prayer and effort on behalf of our common home." The theme for 2021 is "[A Home for All? Renewing the Oikos of God.](#)" Oikos is the Greek word for 'home' or 'household'. By rooting the theme in the concept of oikos, we celebrate the integral web of relationships that sustain the well-being of the Earth. The last year has been a wakeup call to the need to restore our relationships with God, creation and each other. We give thanks for all that God has made, repent for the damage that we have caused and commit ourselves to take action to protect the earth our common home.

ST JOSEPH'S GOLF DAY: Our annual St Joseph's Golf Society Day takes place on **Sunday, 19 September** at Oakland Park Golf Club in Chalfont St Giles. **All the golfing places have been filled but there are some spaces left for dinner at £22 per person.** If you would like to join us for the evening meal, please complete a [booking form which is available from our website.](#)

MAGNIFICAT contains readings and prayers for Mass, with meditations, and part of the Prayer for Morning and Evening inspired by the Liturgy of the Hours. It also has lives of the Saints, articles on spiritual topics as well as reflections and an essay on a great example of Christian art in each monthly issue. For the month of September only, you can have free access to the digital version of Magnificat. [Click here for more information.](#)

BOOKS FOR READING: There is a varied selection of Christian books available at the back of the church. Please help yourself to anything you like. A small donation can be made using the bookshop moneybox.

ST JOSEPH'S 200 CLUB 2021: The draw for the month of August was held last Saturday at St Joseph's Furniture Market and the winners of the £1,000 prize fund are:

1 st	Thomas Mulkern (£500)
2 nd	Susan Gibbons (£250)
3 rd	Heather Pells (£150)
4 th	Eileen Carkett (£100)

Congratulations to each of the lucky winners and thank you to all members for your support.

THE LONDON & SLOUGH RUN continues this Monday 6 September. 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.** Please 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 GREEN TOP MILK, GREEN LONG LIFE (UHT) MILK, COFFEE, TEA, SUGAR, JAM, TUNA, TINNED MEAT, CEREALS, CORDIALS and TOILET PAPER.** We do not require any clothing at present. Thank you to all our supporters who continue to donate each week, it is much appreciated.

“People are looking for someone to listen to them. Someone willing to grant them time, to listen to their dramas and difficulties. This is what I call the ‘apostolate of the ear’ and it is important. Very important. I feel compelled to say to confessors: talk, listen with patience, and above all tell people that God loves them.”

Pope Francis

Sunday Mass Times

St Joseph's, Chalfont St Peter: Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:30pm, Sunday at 7:45am, 9am, 11am and 5:30pm *

The Most Holy Name, Denham: Sunday at 9:30am

Bridgettine Convent, Iver Heath: [Contact the Bridgettine Sisters](#) for details of Masses and Services. Pre-booking required.

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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