

28 June 2026

Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

Sundays Year A – 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 Robert (Bob) Davies OCD (Prior & Parish Priest), Fr Jerome Ituah OCD, Fr Maurice Flynn OCD (Retired), Fr John McGowan OCD, Fr Martin McDonald OCD, Fr Theophilus (Theo) Nyamali OCD and Fr Deepu Daniel OCD



The [PASTORAL LEADERSHIP TEAM](#) (PLT) supports the life of St Joseph's Parish and wants to hear your hopes and needs for our community. **We invite every parishioner, including children and teenagers, to complete a short anonymous parish survey.** Your feedback will help us shape a vision for the future of our parish. You can **complete it online** (this method is the most helpful for us in collating the data)

- [Link to the Parish Vision Engagement Survey](#)
- [Link to the Children & Youth Parish Vision Survey](#)

OR pick up a paper copy from the church porch and return it next time you visit. A post-box will be available in both churches until **next Sunday 5 July**. **Please take part in this important process.** Your voice matters as we prayerfully discern how St Joseph's Parish is called to grow and serve in the years ahead.

Thank you to those parishioners who have already shared their feedback and completed the survey.

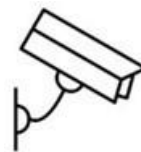


A **SECOND COLLECTION** for PETER'S PENCE will be taken at all Masses this Sunday 28 June. This is the financial support offered by the faithful to the Holy Father so that he can provide for the needs of the entire Church, especially in those places where the Church experiences greater difficulties. It is a gesture of solidarity through which we can participate in the activity of the Pope as leader of the Universal Church. This collection helps fund not only the activities of the Roman Curia that assist the Pope in the exercise of his ministry, but also Papal projects/initiatives that assist the victims of wars, oppression, and natural disasters around the world.

STATEMENT FROM DIOCESE OF NORTHAMPTON

The Diocese of Northampton can confirm that Bishop David Oakley has been charged after an investigation into non-recent safeguarding allegations. We understand that this will be very distressing for all concerned but cannot comment further on an active legal process. If you have any safeguarding concerns please contact either the diocesan safeguarding team or the police directly. Our Safeguarding Team can be contacted on 01604 723514 or safeguarding@northamptondiocese.org. For further resources and support [visit our dedicated webpage for victims and survivors and anyone hurt by abuse here](#).

[Click here to read a statement](#) from Archbishop Richard Moth (President) and Archbishop Bernard Longley (Vice President) of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales.



We broadcast all Masses/Services live from St Joseph's Church (not the Oratory) in real time via our live stream at www.stjosephs.org.uk/Live.

3 July St Thomas, Apostle – Feast

CHANGE TO MASS TIMES: On **Monday 29 June** there will only be **one morning Mass at 7am** in The Oratory. There will be **no 9am Mass**.

EMMAUS – OPENING THE SCRIPTURES: Due to unforeseen circumstances, we have had to **CANCEL THE TALK ON 1 JULY**. The next one will be on 2 September.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of **Christopher Ituah** (Fr Jerome's brother) who died on 12 June. May he rest in peace. His funeral will take place on **Wednesday 1 July in Nigeria**. The 9am Mass that day will be offered for the repose of his soul from the parish. We extend our sympathy to all his family and friends.

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of **Anne (Nancy) Roberts** who died recently. May she rest in peace. Her funeral will take place on **Friday 17 July at 11am in St Joseph's Church**. We extend our sympathy to all her family and friends.

We are very happy to visit you in your own home and bring you Communion. Please phone us at the Priory if you would like someone to call on you. A monthly pack is delivered to those who do not get out regularly to Mass or are homebound. The July Pack will be printed and delivered this week. If you know someone who would benefit from this please let Joan at the Parish Office know.

FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY

COMMUNION (EMHCS) – There will be an evening of **REFLECTION** for all those who minister at The Most Holy Name and St Joseph's Churches. This will be **led by Fr Bob** and will take place **this Monday 29 June from 7pm to 8pm** in St Joseph's Church, followed by light refreshments in the First Committee Room. EMHCs are encouraged to attend **Adoration at 6:30pm** if they can. Thank you to those EMHCs who have replied; please [click here to RSVP](#) if you have not already done so.



In his first Encyclical Letter **Magnifica Humanitas** ("The Greatness of Humanity"), Pope Leo reflects on the rapid growth of artificial intelligence (AI) and its

impact on society. An opportunity to come together to **explore and discuss this encyclical** continues on **Thursdays 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 July** at 7:30pm in the First Committee Room. **Fr John** leads and facilitates these sessions, helping us to unpack the content and guide us to a deeper understanding of this significant document, as well as reflecting on the human impact of new technologies in our daily lives.

You can [read the letter and find supporting materials on the Bishops Conference of England and Wales website](#).

The **POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION** for **JUNE** is **FOR THE VALUES OF SPORTS** – As the World Cup continues, we join with Pope Leo in his prayers, that sport will be an instrument of peace, encounter and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that it will promote values such as respect, solidarity and personal growth.

ROSARY CIRCLE PRAYER INTENTION FOR JUNE: We pray for our young people doing examinations, that the Holy Spirit will guide them through their studies and during their examinations.

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: Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:30pm, Sunday at 9am

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NINETY YEARS OF THE RED BOX: This year marks 90 years of a special partnership between [Missio](#) and the [Mill Hill Missionaries](#), united through the Red Box. It is a powerful reminder that God is at work through hundreds of thousands of missionaries living within communities from Malawi to Myanmar, and Pakistan to Peru. The Red Box is a familiar presence in Catholic homes across England and Wales. More than a collection box, it is a symbol of faith, hope and love – uniting the vision of Blessed Pauline Jaricot and the missionary initiative of Fr Thomas Jackson. By having a Red Box in your home, offering prayers for missionaries around the world, or [making a donation online](#), you are fulfilling your personal call to mission. As individuals we can only achieve so much. Together, we can achieve so much more.

MISSIO RED BOX SUPPORTERS are advised that the Summer Edition of Mission Today, together with a prayer card, has been placed in the back of your church for you to collect.

*Please pray for the sick of our parish
and for those who have asked for our prayers.*

FAIRTRADE/TRAIDCRAFT: You can buy fairtrade goods from Margaret Dykes at the monthly Coffee Morning at the Village Hall in Church Road. The next one takes place on **Wednesday 1 July** from 10am until 12 noon.

CHALFONT DEMENTIA SUPPORT will host its **Wednesday Café on 1 July in the First Committee Room from 10am until 12noon**. The Café gives a very warm welcome to those living with dementia, their families and carers. We have a range of enjoyable activities, a chance to chat and, of course, tea, coffee and cakes! Ours is always a positive approach in dealing with the difficulties so often associated with dementia. Contact Sally Blackden on 07932 643949.

ST JOSEPH'S FURNITURE MARKET would welcome some more volunteers for Saturday mornings and to help us with collections/deliveries. We really need more van drivers to work on a rota basis. To find out more please [contact us via email](#) or drop in at the Hut behind the church on any Saturday morning. You can see us on Facebook at "[St Josephs Furniture Market](#)".

"Christian tradition has always considered St Peter and St Paul to be inseparable: indeed, together, they represent the whole Gospel of Christ."

Pope Benedict XVI

ST JOSEPH'S 200 CLUB

The **June draw** was held this week. The lucky winners of the prize-fund are:

- 1st Colin McNicholas (£292.50)
- 2nd Bridie O'Rourke (£146.25)
- 3rd Ben Blackden (£87.75)
- 4th Philip Stephens (£58.50)

This was final draw of the year so it is **NOW TIME TO RENEW OR JOIN THE 200 CLUB FOR 2026/2027.**

Membership remains at **£120 a year** for entry to twelve monthly draws for cash prizes. Funds are split 50:50 between parish funds and the lucky winners each month.

We are also seeking an additional volunteer to assist with administration of the 200 Club in the coming year. Full details are [available on the parish website](#) or by contacting Alastair at 200club@stjosephs.org.uk.

THE LONDON & SLOUGH RUN continues on **Mondays** throughout June. Please bring your contributions to the First Committee Room by 12 noon.

We are in urgent need of **BOILED EGGS** and **TOILET ROLLS** and welcome any of the following – sandwiches (tuna, plain cheese, marmite), individual juice cartons, small chocolate biscuit bars, individually wrapped cakes, satsumas, bananas, crisps, green/UHT milk, coffee, sugar, peanut butter, jam, and tinned fish.

NB: We cannot take anything else other than food donations at present due to limited space.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support, which is very much appreciated by our beneficiaries.



The **DAWN 5K: Walk or Run 5K** with us next Sunday 5 July to help us raise funds. Your participation can make a real difference in the lives of the

homeless and local people in need. [Click here to sign-up as walker/runner or to make a donation.](#) Some of our Children's Liturgy Group are walking again this year in memory of our dear friend Suzana Zekic RIP. Helping others was very close to her heart and she was a big supporter of the London & Slough Charitable Trust.

Congratulations to Nuala Fox who was awarded an MBE in the King's birthday honours for services to the London & Slough Charitable Trust for her work with, and on behalf of, the homeless.

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Schubert's Mass in G

and other choral classics

MUSIC FOR A SUMMER'S EVENING

To raise money for the new Community Hall, there will be an evening of choral music in St Joseph's Church **next Sunday 5 July starting at 7pm.** Come and enjoy Schubert's beautiful Mass in G and a selection of other choral classics, performed by singers and musicians from within and outside the parish. Audience tickets are **£10 each**, which are available by [following this link](#).



Join us for a **CHEESE & WINE EVENING** on **Saturday 18 July** from 6pm to 9pm. Enjoy good food, good wine and great company in

a beautiful garden setting. Tickets are **£15 per person** payable in advance – [click here to book your place](#).

JOIN US FOR A LOVELY DAY OUT

STALLS & TOMBOLAS

Cakes, Books, Plants, Bottles,
Good As New, Bric-A-Brac,
Lucky Dip, Name the Bear

GREAT FOOD

Refreshments, Cream Tea,
Takeaway Curry & Noodles

RAFFLE

Bridgettine Convent
SUMMER FÊTE

Saturday 25th July

11am to 1:30pm

ENTRY **£1** (Under 11s Free)

Fulmer Common Road, Iver Heath SLO ONR

Proceeds in aid of the Bridgettine Convent
raising funds for a new organ and a new car

The Sisters welcome donations of bottles, books, games/toys, plants, religious items, bric-a-brac or raffle prizes to the Convent by Wednesday 22 July.

The fête will also include a **book event** to celebrate a recently published novel, **The Nun of Ravensbrück** by Cathi Fleming. The book is based on the incredible life of a parishioner's aunt, **Sister Kate McCarthy**, an Irish nun and French Resistance leader.

The **NEW HALL COMMITTEE** would welcome help from parishioners, especially those with any experience of construction work, project management or finance. Also, one source of funds not fully explored as yet is local business. Do you work for or know of a local business that might sponsor this community project? [Email us](#).