



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 Anthony (Tony) Parsons OCD, Fr Maurice Flynn OCD (Retired),
Fr Martin McDonald OCD, Fr Theophilus (Theo) Nyamali OCD, Fr Deepu Daniel OCD and Fr Emmanuel Omaba OCD

18 October 2026 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sundays Year A – Weekdays Year 2 – Psalter Week 1

2026 100 YEARS

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY



missionary identity. Today, it unites us in prayer, solidarity and support for young and growing churches; reminding every baptised person of their call to share Christ's mission.

By supporting [MISSIO](#) – the Pope's charity for world mission – we stand united as God's global family, in prayer, solidarity and action. The Holy Father has chosen the theme "[One in Christ, united in mission](#)" to celebrate this centenary and encourages us to unite with missionaries as they strive to reach out with God's love to communities in need. He reminds us that our unity in Christ is at the heart of the Church's missionary calling: the more united we are in Christ, the more faithfully we can share in the mission He entrusts to us.

Please pray for the work of mission and give what you can to the second collection this weekend. To donate, pick up a Missio envelope from the church porch and Gift Aid your donation if possible.



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.

22 October St John Paul II, Pope – Optional Memorial



YOUTH MASS (age 11 upwards)
Sunday 18 October at 11am
Teenagers will be actively involved in many aspects of the Mass, including music. After Mass there will be activities in the Library, followed by food. Our Youth Leaders invite every young person in the parish to join them.

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

ST JOSEPH'S ROSARY CIRCLE INVITATION OCTOBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

We invite you to join our parish Rosary Circle.

Our group meets twice weekly at 7:30pm.

Tuesday – via Zoom

so that we can include those who are housebound

Thursday – in the Oratory at St Joseph's Church

If you would like to join either/both of these groups then please email stjosephsministriescoord@gmail.com.

Our **OCTOBER ROSARY INTENTION** is based on the address given by Pope Leo to European Leaders in Metz, France – We pray for the commitment of European leaders to patient dialogue, to show courage in negotiation and to be willing to give up positions for the greater good of peace and the cessation of war.

The **POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION** for **OCTOBER** is **FOR MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY** – Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION continues on **Monday** evenings from 6:30pm to 7pm in St Joseph's Church or on **Thursday** mornings after the 9am Mass until 10am.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION: [Registration for First Communion and Confirmation 2027 is now CLOSED.](#)

MASS WITH THE SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING: On **Saturday 31 October**, there will be an additional Sunday Vigil Mass with the Sacrament of Anointing at 3pm in **St Joseph's Church**. All of us could do with a little healing at this special service, which fulfils the Sunday obligation. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the First Committee Room.

REMEMBERING THOSE WE'VE LOST: **Monday 2 November** is the Feast All Souls. There will be a special Mass to remember all our departed family, friends and parishioners in St Joseph's Church at 7:30pm. This will be followed by refreshments in the First Committee Room. All are welcome to attend and pray for those whose passing we mourn.

YOUTH PROGRAMME ANNOUNCEMENT

Theme – It is Time to Worship!

Following our recent parish survey and the need for young people's participation in St Joseph's Parish, Fr Emmanuel, with the support of the parish priest, Fr Bob, and zealous parishioners, is inviting all young people of St Joseph's Parish to an evening of **Adoration with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament** on **Friday 13 November** at **7pm** in St Joseph's Church.

Young people, this is your moment to connect with God, build meaningful friendships with one another, have fun and grow in faith as a parish. Get ready for powerful worship, expect uplifting music, inspiring messages, engaging discussions, and exciting games and activities in a welcoming and safeguarded atmosphere.

*Come with an open heart.
Bring a friend.
Expect to be inspired.*

Parents encourage your children to come and worship God with their peers.

HYMN BOOK AMNESTY: It's so easy to walk out of the church and find you're still clutching a hymn book! If you have a **Hymns Old & New (pale blue cover)** lurking in your car, handbag, manbag, or sitting on the side at home, please bring it back to St Joseph's Church for use at Sunday Masses – so many seem to have disappeared. Many thanks.

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.



TEA AND A CHAT: Our fortnightly social group will meet together for a chat over a cuppa on **Thursday 22 October** from **2pm to 4pm** in the First Committee Room. A

warm welcome awaits anyone who pops in, please join us if you can. We look forward to seeing you there.

WAITROSE GREEN TOKENS: Shoppers at Waitrose in Gerrards Cross can support [Slough Homeless Our Concern](#) (SHOC) by popping their green tokens into their section of the 'Community Matters' box.

SECONDARY SCHOOL FORMS: If you need your child's secondary school application form signed, Fr Bob will be available on **Wednesday 21 October at 6:30pm** and **Thursday 22 October at 9:30am**. Please come to the front door of the Priory (entrance via Bull Lane). **NB: Fr Bob will not be available outside of these dates to do this as he is away and won't return until end of October.**

COPIES OF BAPTISM CERTIFICATES: Requests should be made by [contacting the Parish Office](#). Parents should include details of the child for whom the certificate is required, their date of birth, date of baptism and names of their parents and godparents when asking for a Baptism Certificate. Please allow a minimum of five working days to turn around requests.

THE ALISTAIR ROBERTS MEMORIAL FUND (ARMF): Christmas cards will be on sale next **Sunday 25 October** at The Most Holy Name in Denham and on the weekend of **14/15 November** after all Masses at St Joseph's. The cost is **£5 for a pack** of six. This year's lovely card was drawn by Juliet Edwards aged 9. All monies raised will support young people between the ages of 18 and 30 who wish to go to Lourdes to help the sick but do not have the financial means to afford the trip. We deeply appreciate your continued support. *Jane & Kim Roberts*

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

We are **in urgent need of CRISPS** and welcome any of the following donations – boiled eggs, sandwiches (tuna, plain cheese, marmite), individual juice cartons, small chocolate biscuit bars (such as penguin, rocky, club, two finger kit-kat), individually wrapped cakes, satsumas, bananas, green/UHT milk, coffee, sugar, peanut butter, jam, tinned fish and toilet roll.

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

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT ST JOSEPH'S FURNITURE MARKET: There is a **great need for more helpers and van drivers**. It would help enormously if more volunteers came forward to work with us at the market on Saturday mornings moving furniture. We also really need van drivers for collections and deliveries. 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](#)".

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

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ST JOSEPH'S 200 CLUB 2026/2027

The 200 Club is now running again for 2026/2027. The **second draw has been held for September** and the lucky winners are:

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| 1 st | Patrick Moloney (£232.50) |
| 2 nd | Patricia Kilty (£116.25) |
| 3 rd | Ricky Fagan (£69.75) |
| 4 th | John Carmont (£46.50) |

Congratulations to the winners. There are still spaces available for those who have not yet renewed or wish to join. Membership is now **£100 to enter 10 remaining monthly draws** for cash prizes. Funds are split 50:50 between parish funds and the lucky winners. The next draw is at the end of October so please join (or rejoin) now. Contact Alastair at 200club@stjosephs.org.uk or pick up a form from the church porch.

ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL is our local Catholic state primary school for children aged 2.5+ to 11 years. The school aims to nurture children in a sound spiritual, moral and academic environment, to foster their love of God, other people and themselves, and to ensure that every child's potential is fulfilled. There will be an **OPEN MORNING for prospective parents on Tuesdays 3 November, 1 December and 12 January, all starting at 9:15am.** [Click here to book.](#)

CELEBRATING CATHOLIC LIFE: Our local Catholic schools in the **St Thomas Catholic Academies Trust**, which includes *St Joseph's Catholic Primary School*, have produced a newsletter highlighting the ways in which they have been living out their mission over the last year. Rooted in the Gospel values of Faith, Hope and Love, our schools work together to nurture the spiritual, moral and personal development of every child, helping them to become confident, compassionate and faith-filled young people. [Read our newsletter here](#) or take a copy from the back of the church.

ITALIAN EVENING: The Bridgettine Sisters are hosting an Italian Evening on **Saturday 21 November at 6pm** in the Bridgettine Convent (SL0 0NR). It consists of a three-course meal all prepared by the sisters. The price is £30 per person. There will also be a raffle with lots of prizes at £5 for a strip of tickets. **CASH ONLY.** If you would like to join us, please call Ann Saunders on 07554 400028 or email ann21lwa@gmail.com. All the proceeds will go towards a new car for the sisters.

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SCAN TO BOOK



Friday 20 November

7pm to 10pm

St Joseph's School SL9 8SB

Tickets £10

BAR (cash & card) | BYO Nibbles | RAFFLE

A fundraiser for St Joseph's New Community Hall

[Click here for more information and booking form.](#)

Thank You!

QUIZ NIGHT: Many thanks to everyone who joined us for our Quiz Night last Saturday. It was such a fun evening. Thanks to your generosity and competitive spirit, we raised **£1,650** for the New Hall. A special shout-out goes to our question setter, quiz master, raffle donors and everyone who helped out on the night.

GOLF DAY: Thanks to all those who joined us for **St Joseph's Golf Society Day** at Oakland Park Golf Club in September. The weather held, the staff at the club looked after us all very well and much enjoyment was had both on and off the golf course. People who took part in the tournament, joined us for dinner, donated prizes, bought raffle tickets, supported the auction or made a donation helped us raise vital funds for the New Hall. Thank you.