



St. Joseph the Worker Bidford-on-Avon

Website: sjtw-bidford.org.uk

Parish Priest: Canon Garry Byrne father.garry@gmail.com

The Presbytery Quinney's Lane Bidford on Avon

Tel: 01789 773291

Times of Mass & Services

9th/10th Dec. 2017

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Saturday	5.30 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	11.00 am	Sarah Dowd RIP
Monday	10.00 am	Rosaleen O'Donnell RIP
Tuesday	10.00 am	Private Intention
Wednesday	10.00 am	Mrs Kinsella RIP
Thursday	6.15 pm	Patrick & Agnes Mulvey
Friday	9.00 am	Jackie Buckley Int
Saturday	5.30 pm	Ron Jones RIP
Sunday	11.00 am	People of the Parish
Confessions after Sat. evening Mass		

PLEASE PRAY for Martin, Betty Gower's son, who has died in Bristol, aged 61 years. May he rest in peace.

TODAY there is a Second Collection for the Poor Parishes of the Diocese.

LEAFLET DROP During the week, parishioners dropped a leaflet into nearly 300 new homes in Bidford, Salford Priors and Broom. The leaflet gives basic details about our parish, where it is, and the times of the Christmas Masses.

SCRIPURE REFLECTION GROUP meet this Wed. 13th Dec. at 7pm in the Presbytery. All welcome

POINSETTIAS TO DECORATE THE CHURCH You are invited to bring a Poinsettia Plant next weekend. These will be placed on the widow sills and in front of the altar.

BIDFORD ANNUAL TORCHLIGHT NATIVITY PROCESSION this Sat.16th Dec. Members of the Christian Churches in Bidford, especially children, have a torchlight Nativity procession through the village. It begins here at St Joseph's, at 3.00pm for a 3.30pm start, ending with refreshments at St Lawrence's. There is usually a donkey. We show joyful witness to the coming of our Saviour Jesus. Please join in.

14

ADVENT WALK WITH ME BOOKLETS Please take a copy for yourself and for others who might be helped by them

NO NEW CATHOLIC SCHOOLS? *Archbishop Bernard appeals to you to make your voice heard.* **He writes:** "The Government is making a critical decision on whether to overturn the admissions cap which prevents (new) Catholic schools from allowing all Catholic pupils to attend. Visit <http://catholicnews.org.uk/education-cap> By providing your details it will automatically generate an email to the Secretary of State and your MP.

HOLY HOUR THURS. 5.15-6.15pm

PARISH RECORDS UPDATE Please enable us to update the parish records by filling in an information sheet today and handing them to Fr Garry. This has not been done for a long time and will really help.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS 26th Nov: £163.90. 2nd Collection: Diocesan Youth Service: £172.89. 3rd Dec: £129.19. Donation £100. Plus Standing Orders. *Thank You.*

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE in aid of St Joseph's New Building. *Please try to sell the remaining books and return the counterfoils and monies. The Draw is next Sunday after 11am Mass.* 1st Prize: Luxury Hamper; 2nd Family Hamper; 3rd Chocolate Heaven Hamper.

Please pray for the sick, housebound and those who care for them: Niamh Coyne, Pat Hopkins, Betty Gowers, Clive Stanbrook, David Ryan, Michael Moore, Archie Parsons, Heather Gerrard, Chris Browne, Mary Palmer, Emily Parker, Liz Gowers, Mel Roberts, Bridget Parkin, Julie Kelly, Tommy McAloon, Gabrielle Edwards, Derek Riley, Greg Steele, Ronnie Walker, Nicholas Summerfield, Margaret McAleer, Mike Newman.