

St. Joseph the Worker Bidford-on-Avon

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Times of Mass & Services 22nd/23rd April 2017 THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday 5.30 pm **Special Intention** Sunday 11.00 am People of the Parish Monday 10.00 am Paul Cherry RIP Tuesday 10.00 am Maria Conway RIP Wednesday 10.00 am Ellen McDonald RIP Thursday Carmel Caffrey RIP 6.15 pm **Friday** 9.00 am James Armson RIP Saturday Sarah Dowd RIP 5.30 pm Sunday 11.30 am People of the Parish CONFESSIONS: Saturday after 5.30pm Mass

EASTER THANKS On behalf of the whole of St.Joseph's Parish may I thank all those who enabled us to worthily celebrate the days of Holy Week: those who cleaned the Church, brasses and linens; those who beautifully arranged the flowers and decorated the Church; the altar servers; the readers and extra-ordinary ministers of the Eucharist and Rota makers; the organist/choir mistress and choir; the Church wardens; and all of you who participated in the Liturgy.

PERSONAL THANKS I sincerely thank you for your very generous Easter Offerings and for your Easter Greetings.

MONDAY IS THE SOLEMNITY OF ST GEORGE, Martyr. Mass at 10.00 am.

TUESDAY IS THE FEAST OF ST MARK, the Evangelist. Mass at 10.00 am.

THURSDAY, HOLY HOUR before the Blessed Sacrament 5.15pm-6.15pm. Mass at 6.15 pm

EASTER DUTIES The time for making our Easter Duties began on Ash Wednesday, and ends on Trinity Sunday.

POPE FRANCIS' VISIT TO EGYPT Please keep Pope Francis' visit to Egypt in your prayers. From 28-30th April he will visit the Coptic Orthodox Christian community which suffered two major bombings on Palm Sunday. He will also visit Egyptian officials, the Catholic Community, and Muslim leaders during his short visit.

PARISH CONSULTATION Could I encourage younger age groups to please share your thoughts. This will be a big help to us. Up to now it is nearly all seniors! There are copies at the back of church. The Questionnaire is also available and easy to fill in on line if you prefer:

https://goo.gl/forms/wcPO5iO93biKl3Wy1

<u>CATHOLIC TODAY</u> The new edition of our Diocesan Paper is available at the back of church. Please take a copy. There is a profound article by Clare McNally, whom I know from my days in Smethwick.

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, Shelly & Margaret Gray, Phil Palmer, Liz Gowers, Mary Lamming, Martin Prickett, Mel Roberts, Bridget Parkin, Julie Kelly, Tommy McAloon, Gabrielle Edwards, Derek Riley.