



# St. Joseph the Worker Bidford-on-Avon

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## Times of Mass & Services

25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> March 2017

### THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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| <b>Saturday</b>  | 5.30 pm  | Sarah Dowd RIP                |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | 11.00 am | Liam O'Connor RIP             |
| <b>Monday</b>    | 10.00 am | Andy Davis Int                |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | 10.00 am | Bridget & Jack Byrne Int      |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | 10.00 am | Declan & Kathleen Kennedy Int |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | 6.15 pm  | Francie O'Grady Int           |
| <b>Friday</b>    | 9.00 am  | Margaret Ruddy Int            |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | 5.30 pm  | Mary Cassidy Int              |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | 11.00 am | Liam O'Connor RIP             |

**CONFESSIONS: Saturday after 5.30pm Mass**

Questionnaire is also available and easy to fill in on line if you prefer:

<https://goo.gl/forms/wcPO5iO93biKl3Wy1> If you prefer a paper copy, please take it away to work on at leisure; even if you want to comment on only one aspect please do so. Paper copies can be returned to me, anonymously if you wish.

**LENT LUNCHES** On Mondays in Lent the Christian Churches in Bidford come together for a simple lunch. The venue is The Methodist Church from 12.15 – 2.00 pm. Each church takes a turn to provide the lunch. *It is the turn of St Joseph's this Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March.* Phil Hodgetts is coordinating our provision.

**PARISH CONSULTATION** On Wednesday evening 25 members of the parish met at the Parish Council Room, Bidford School. I outlined the development of the parish to date, especially the vision and generosity of our forebears in buying the builder's workshop and this site 57 years ago, and later the house as a presbytery. On 14<sup>th</sup> June last year we met as a parish to discuss our mission and various aspects of it. One of the committees formed was the Building Committee. Andy Jinks, as Chair, said that in time, it was likely there would be only one weekend Mass and the church needed to be able to accommodate everyone. He then outlined the work that the committee has done; the meetings with property, legal and fundraising representatives of the diocese; and the grant to undertake a professional feasibility study.

Andy then introduced Naomi Fisher, a Director of APEC Architects of Birmingham whom we appointed to undertake the study. She led us in a table exercise to consider what facilities would enhance our mission and how they could be configured in practice. A vital part of the consultation is a Questionnaire for each of us to express our thoughts about this. There are copies on the seats in church. The

**ON THURSDAY 30<sup>th</sup> March CAMEO TEA 11am** (ComeAndMeetEachOther) at the home of Veronica Pinkerton, 33 Badsey Fields Lane, Badsey, WR11 7EX Tel: 01386 831986 All welcome.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS - THURS. 5.45pm,** followed by Evening Mass at 6.15pm.

**LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICE AT ST JOSEPH'S** on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm. There will be a Service of Penance with the opportunity for individual confession. There will be three priests available, Fr Paul from Our Lady's Alcester, Fr Clement, who helps out at St Augustine's Stratford, and myself. Please come and take part.

**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 Gerard, 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.