



St. Joseph the Worker Bidford-on-Avon

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Times of Mass & Services

2nd/3rd Dec. 2017

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Saturday	5.30 pm	Pat Craddock Int
Sunday	11.00 am	Norah Colston RIP
Monday	10.00 am	Connor Thompson
Tuesday	10.00 am	Special Intention (PH)
Wednesday	10.00 am	Marie Therese RIP
Thursday	6.15 pm	Martin Gower Int
Friday	6.15 pm	Peg Murrin Int
Saturday	5.30 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	11.00 am	Sarah Dowd RIP
Confessions after Sat. evening Mass		

ADVENT WALK WITH ME BOOKLETS Please take a copy for yourself and for others who might be helped by them. From Archbishop Bernard's introduction: "Advent invites us to keep watch, stay awake and be on the lookout. .. Our Lady was always listening out for God's word in prayer, and she was ready to hear the Archangel Gabriel when he came with the amazing message. .. God wants to be with us, for we are His beloved, each one of us!"

FRIDAY 8th Dec. SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY the Patronal Feast of our Archdiocese. The Chapter of Canons meet before the diocesan Mass in St Chad'. Two new Canons will be installed. Our Mass here in St Joseph's will be at 6.15 pm.

NEXT SUNDAY there will be a Second Collection for the Poor Parishes of the Diocese.

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. They have acknowledged that this policy discriminates against Catholics and promised to abandon it, now we need to tell them not to u-turn on their

promise to Catholics. Visit <http://catholicnews.org.uk/education-cap> or search for 'Catholic Education' in your search engine." 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.

ANGEL TREE PRESENT WRAPPING DAY will take place on Wed. 6th Dec. at The House of the Open Door, Childswickham. See Eileen.

100 CLUB RESULTS The Nov. Draw took place last Sunday. 1st Prize: No. 75, B.Rennie, £43.50; 2nd Prize: No. 49, S.Jackson, £26.10; 3rd Prize: No. 85, H. Gerard, £17.40. *Congratulations to the lucky winners!*

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS 22nd Oct. £91.48; 29th Oct. £215.57. 2nd Coll. for World Mission: £220.126
Thank you.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE in aid of St Joseph's New Building. Books of Tickets are available. Please take a few books to sell among family and friends. The tickets are £1 each, 5 in a Book. Gifts towards the Raffle are being very gratefully received. 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, Martin Prickett, Mel Roberts, Bridget Parkin, Julie Kelly, Tommy McAloon, Gabrielle Edwards, Derek Riley, Greg Steele, Ronnie Walker, Nicholas Summerfield, Margaret McAleer, Mike Newman.