

# St. Joseph the Worker Bidford-on-Avon

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## Times of Mass & Services

28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> May 2016

### SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

**Saturday** 5.30 pm Christine & Richard Int

**Sunday** 11.00 am May Hamilton RIP

**No Weekday Masses this week.**

**Saturday** 5.30 pm Mike Gerrard RIP

**Sunday** 11.00 am People of the Parish

*Confessions Saturday evening after Mass.*

**SORRY, THERE WILL NOT BE** weekday Masses this week due to Half Term Break.

**ORDINARY TIME** resumes at the 9<sup>th</sup> Week of Ordinary Time, Psalter Week 1. Weekday Cycle of Readings Year 2.

**FRIDAY IS THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS**

**PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF EVEESHAM** in two weeks' time, Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June. Pope Francis has encouraged us all to make a Pilgrimage during this Year of God's Mercy. On our doorstep we have a place of pilgrimage in honour of Our Blessed Lady dating from the 8<sup>th</sup> Century. In 701 AD Our Lady appeared to Eoves, a swineherd, and later to St Egwin, Bishop of Worcester, who founded Evesham Abbey at the place. It became a great pilgrimage centre. The Abbey and St Egwin's tomb was destroyed in 1540 at the dissolution of the monasteries, and the devotion was suppressed. Our Diocese has been making an annual pilgrimage to Evesham for many years, usually with open air Mass in the Abbey Grounds. This is not possible this year and the Pilgrimage takes place with Mass in the Catholic Parish Church, St Mary & St Egwin, at 1pm, on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June. High Street, Evesham, WR11 4EJ. Please assemble in the Church for Mass, at which I will concelebrate.

### **HOW TO GROW AND DEVELOP OUR MISSION**

In this time after Pentecost, we are seeking the guidance of the Holy Spirit in how to grow and develop in our mission. Over these weeks, together we are undertaking a review of all aspects of our parish life. We will have a shared vision, and decide what steps to take towards it.

The paper sought your ideas on different aspects of the life of the parish. The results will inform the format of our **OPEN PARISH MEETING**.

We have booked the Community Room at Bidford School for Tuesday evening 14<sup>th</sup> June. (*Please put it in your diary*). **PLEASE RETURN THE FORMS TODAY**

**'DAY FOR LIFE'** Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June. This Day takes place each year as an initiative of the Catholic Bishops' Conference. This year Day for Life focuses on the wonder of the gift of human life and the gift of our common home which is God's creation.

**CATHOLIC TODAY** Please take a copy of our Diocesan Newspaper.

**THIS WEEK'S TWEET** The Diocese has asked me to contribute a Tweet each Wed., bearing in mind the context of Prison Chaplaincy.

*"Why does your master eat with tax collectors and sinners?" Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need the doctor, but the sick." Mtt. 9/11*

**Offertory Collection:** 21st/22<sup>nd</sup> May: £141.40 plus Standing Orders.

**Please pray for the sick, housebound and those who care for them:** Niamh Coyne, Pat Hopkins, Betty Gowers, Mary Normoyle, Clive Stanbrook, David Ryan, Michael Moore, John Fisher, Archie Parsons, Heather Gerard, Chris Browne, Brian Holberry, Mary Palmer, Emily Parker, Shelly & Margaret Gray, Phil Palmer, Liz Gowers, Mary Lamming, Martin Prickett.