



# St. Joseph the Worker Bidford-on-Avon

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## Times of Mass & Services 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2018 FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

<b>Saturday</b>	5.30 pm	Andrew Soares.
<b>Sunday</b>	11.00 am	People of the Parish
<b>Monday</b>	10.00 am	Roisin Cassidy RIP
<b>NEW YEAR'S DAY</b>	10.00 am	Brigid McGinley RIP
<b>Wednesday</b>	10.00 am	Campbell Family Int
<b>Thursday</b>	6.15 pm	Jackie Nicolich.
<b>Friday</b>	10.00 am	Harry Collins RIP
<b>Saturday</b>	5.30 pm	Ann Bodkin Int
<b>Sunday</b>	11.00 am	People of the Parish
<b>Confessions: after the 5.30 pm Sat evening Mass</b>		

### TODAY IS THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

There is a Pastoral Letter from His Grace, the Archbishop.

### NEW YEAR'S DAY, MASS AT 10.00 am, THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD.

### NEXT SUNDAY IS THE SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD.

**OUR THANKS** We are grateful to all those who enabled us to worthily and joyfully celebrate the mystery of Christmas: those who helped the children to decorate the tree, those who cleaned the brasses, cloths, church, windows and woodwork, those who provided and arranged the flowers and Crib; the readers, musicians, choir, altar servers, Eucharistic Ministers, church wardens, and all who took part in the Masses

**THANK YOU** for your generous Christmas Offerings, Cards and greetings. It was good to see family members who were home for Christmas.

**HOLY HOUR THURSDAY 5.15 – 6.15 pm** There will be Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament on Thurs. evening from 5.15 – 6.15 pm. This is an opportunity to ask God's blessing in the new year, and especially for vocations to the priesthood and the religious life.

**AN EVENING OF MUSIC & FOOD** To raise funds for Christian Hargreave's participation in the World Youth Event in Panama, with Pope Francis. Venue: Broom Village Hall, Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> January, 7.30 pm. Music by John Palmer. Tickets £10 and bring your own drinks. For details contact Ruth 01789 773249. Tickets are on sale after Masses this weekend.

**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE WINNERS** Congratulations to the winners in the Raffle which was drawn last Sunday. The Luxury Hamper: **Anthony Handforth**; The Family Hamper: **Mr E. Williams**; The Chocolate Indulgence: **Greg & Claire Jinks**.

**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO BOUGHT TICKETS & DONATED and WRAPPED THE PRIZES** The Raffle made £722 for the church building fund. Thanks also to Margaret Ball for £50 from the knitted Christmas Puddings.

**VISIT TO HARVINGTON HALL** A parish visit has been arranged for Thurs. 21<sup>st</sup> Feb., 10 – 2pm, as part of the Confirmation Programme. We will be guided in the journey of the Catholic Faith in England, including the Tudor and Stuart periods when priest hides were used. We will have Mass in the Georgian Chapel, followed by a packed lunch. The day will end with a short seminar. The parish will pay for our 'Class' to go, so there will be no individual cost. We will share cars. Please see Zofia Jackson if you would like to come. 07954 176286. All parishioners invited.

**ST JOSEPH'S DIOCESAN LEVY FOR 2019** In order to pay for the Diocesan Education Service and the central administration of the Diocese, there is a levy on each parish of 30% of the previous year's Total Offertory collections. For our parish the levy for the coming year is £7,294, with a quarterly payment of £1,823. This works out as £140 per week.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK** Michael David Moore, Pat Hopkins, Heather Gerard, Wendy Sternberg, Deirdre Thompson, Clive Stanbrook, Elizabeth Standring, Maureen Pierce, Bridget Parkin, Tommy McAloon, Gabriel Edwardes, Ryan Clarke.