



# St. Joseph the Worker Bidford-on-Avon

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## Times of Mass & Services

5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2019

### SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

<b>Saturday</b>	5.30 pm	Ann Bodkin Int
<b>Sunday</b>	11.00 am	People of the Parish
<b>Monday</b>	6.15 pm	Pam Cheriton.
<b>Tuesday</b>	10.00 am	Deirdre & John Hegarty
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.00 am	Kathleen Chater Int
<b>Thursday</b>	6.15 pm	Betty & Pat Keogh Int
<b>Friday</b>	6.15 pm	Sean Kennedy Int
<b>Saturday</b>	5.30 pm	Kennedy Family Int
<b>Sunday</b>	11.00 am	People of the Parish
<b>Confessions: after the 5.30 pm Sat evening Mass</b>		

**OUR THANKS** We are grateful to Fr Paul Gunter (O.S.B.) of Our Lady's, Alcester, for presiding at 5.30 pm Saturday Mass this week. I am attending the Golden Jubilee of Profession of a La Retraite Sister who adopted our parish of St Philip Neri in Smethwick when I was there.

**MASS AT THE START OF TERM** On Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January there is Mass at St Benedict's Catholic High School at 9am for all Staff and Governors of The Holy Family MAC. I will be attending as a Governor of our local Federation of Catholic Junior Schools. On Friday at 9.30 am I will be presiding at an All School Mass at Our Lady's, Alcester, where I am a Governor.

**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** too, 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.

**VISIT TO HARVINGTON HALL** 30 people have now put their names down. 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.