



St. Joseph the Worker Bidford-on-Avon

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Times of Mass & Services 4/5th Sept. 2021

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY (B)

Saturday 5.30 pm Denis Doherty RIP

Sunday 11.00 am People of the Parish

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Confessions: *after the 5.30 pm Sat evening Mass*

Confessions The Sacrament of Reconciliation is once more available on a Saturday evening after the 5.30 pm Mass.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION THANKSGIVING At 11am Mass this Sunday we welcome the children who received their First Holy Communion earlier this year during a time of greater restrictions. We give thanks to God Our Father, with their families and our parish community.

PLANNING APPLICATION SUBMITTED On Tuesday our architects submitted a planning application to Stratford District Council. We paid the required fee of £2,311. When the payment has been processed the application will become active. The Application No. is PP-10125248v1. We hope for approval by the beginning of December. This is a momentous day in the life of our parish!

STREET PASTORS COMMISSIONING Ian Hall and Jude Fryer of our parish, will be commissioned as Street Pastors on September 19th at the United Reformed Church, Rother Street, Stratford at 10am. Street Pastors patrol the streets of Stratford-upon-Avon each Friday evening, caring for those in need, listening to those who are lonely or need to talk to someone outside their worries and help when

friends are lost, phones flat, fallings out occur, warm clothing, water or a lolly is needed.

CONFIRMATION We last celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation on 20th May 2019 with 10 candidates. Bishop David Evans will be coming to our parish to administer the Sacrament next July 2022. If a member of your family will be aged 11 or over by July 2022 and would like to be confirmed, **please complete one of the forms available in the porch.** Confirmation classes will begin after the October half-term 2021 and will be occasionally on Thursday evenings from 4.30 pm – 6.00 pm. A meeting for parents and candidates will take place in Church on Thurs. 14th Oct, at 7.00 pm, with the first session taking place on 4th Nov. 2021.

MORE ALTAR SERVERS If you are Year 6 or above we invite you to become an Altar Server. Full training will be given by Louise Brandon. By serving at Mass you help our parish community of priest and people to offer Mass worthily to God and be uplifted ourselves. Please take an application form from the back of church.

CHRISTMAS CHARITY MARKET Crawford Memorial Hall, Sat. 27th Nov, 12 – 4 pm. If you can help by making crafts, jams, cakes etc. please let Bernadette Rennie know. Some parishioners have begun crafting Christmas Wreaths and Table Decorations. We are also asking for donations for the Christmas Raffle. Please look out for any unwanted gifts and we will leave boxes at the back of church from mid/end of August onwards. Thank you in anticipation. Tables are available for hire. Please let friends and family know. More details to follow.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK Heather Gerrard.