

St. Joseph the Worker Bidford-on Avon



The Presbytery, Quinney's Lane
Bidford-on-Avon, B50 4JL website: sjw-bidford.org.uk

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT (YR B) FEBRUARY 24TH-25TH Day of Prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments

Saturday 5.30pm Mass
Sunday 11.00am Mass
Wednesday 10.00am Mass

Friday *Feast of St David, Patron of Wales
First Friday, Women's Day of Prayer*

Saturday *Feast of St Chad, Bishop
Patron of the Archdiocese*

Saturday 5.30pm Mass
Sunday 11.00am Mass

LENTEN SERVICES:

PENITENTIAL SERVICE: Thursday, 14th March 7pm
FAMILY STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Friday, 22nd March 7pm

PRAYERS

Please keep in our prayers:

~ The desperate situations in Gaza & Israel and in Ukraine & Russia on the 2nd anniversary of the invasion. Across the rest of the world there are currently more than 45 armed conflicts in Middle East & North Africa; over 35 in Africa; over 21 in Asia; over 7 in Europe and more than 6 non-international conflicts in Latin America

~ Those places dealing with the aftermath of natural disasters: the recent heavy rainfall, particularly in Peru & Ecuador with floods & landslides

~ Those that have died recently, especially Louise Broomhall. We extend our love and prayers to her family and friends at this time

~ Roberto Vargas, whose anniversary occurs during February

~ All the parishioners of St Joseph's and the wider community; the sick or housebound of our parish; those in hospital, in care or at home, in particular: Peter Bennett; Shirley Burgess; Terry Cane; Liz Lloyd-Jones and all the Lloyd-Jones Family; Monica Metcalf; Michael Moore; Elise Palmer and Ann Warrington

NOTICES

SECOND COLLECTIONS: This weekend the Second Collection is for CAFOD Lent Fast Day. Next weekend the collection will be for Cathedral Maintenance.

NEW MUSIC: The Music Group will continue to introduce new music after Mass on Sunday. Do come and join us.

NEW CHURCH PLANNING APPLICATION: The Planning Application for our new church has now been registered under **ref.23/03401/ful**, and your letters of support have been submitted. The Parish Council will consider the Application at its Meeting on Monday, 26th February, at 7.30pm, Parish Council Meeting Room, Bramley Way. We would ask as many parishioners as possible to attend to show support for the proposals. In the meantime, please visit the SOADC website and enter a comment in support.

SCRIPTURAL PRAYER GROUP: Wednesday, 28th February
10.30am - 11.30am at the Presbytery. There will be some scripture, music, silence and prayer. Bring your bible. Everyone welcome.

FOOD BANKS: We are hoping to deliver these gifts at the end of this month. Thank you very much for all your kind contributions to the food bank

EASYFUNDRAISING: Thank you to everyone who supports us through easyfundraising! So far we have raised £973. Want to get involved? Sign up now for free and turn your online shopping at over 8000 brands into free donations <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stjwcc>. If you want Elise to give a demonstration then please speak to her after Sunday Mass, or contact her on (07917 161658).

PARISH PRAYER GROUP: Next meeting Monday, March 4th, 7.30 9.00pm, Trinity House, 8 Dugdale Av, Bidford, B50 4QE. It will be the 2nd of 5 sessions for Lent, entitled Maundy Thursday. Contact Nicky (0784 3055 764).

SAVE THE DATE!: Summer Fete, Saturday 8th June at the Crawford Memorial Hall, Bidford, 12 noon until 4pm.

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The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Ruth Hargreave. She can be contacted at sg.sjw.bidford@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.