

St. Joseph the Worker Bidford-on Avon



The Presbytery, Quinney's Lane
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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 27th - 28th APRIL 2024

Saturday	5.30pm Mass
Sunday	11.00am Mass
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Feast of St Catherine of Sienna, Virgin, Doctor of the Church, Patron of Europe</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Optional Memorial of St Joseph the Worker</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Memorial of St Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor of the Church</i>
Thursday	10.00am Mass
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Feast of Sts Philip & James, Apostles</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Feast of the English Martyrs</i>
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This weekend we will return to taking the collection at the Offertory - its original place in the Mass. Any Second collections will be taken after Mass.

PRAYERS Please keep in our prayers:

~ All peoples in areas of continued or worsening humanitarian crisis; especially Gaza/Israel; Ukraine/Russia; Haiti, Afghanistan, Myanmar & Sudan

~ Those dealing with the aftermath of natural disasters, especially in Somalia & Kenya from flash floods & Indonesia from the Ruang Volcano

~ Those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur during April: Betty Boocock; Margaret Calder; Pauline Calder; James Hartley; John Kane; Matt Muncastewr; Maureen Newsham

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

CAFOD'S EMERGENCY APPEAL FOR SUDAN

The situation in Sudan is deteriorating rapidly & with 25 million people needing immediate humanitarian assistance up to seven million people will now be at risk of famine-like conditions by June. CAFOD has immediately released £150,000 from their funds to support their local partners, including Caritas Sudan, and there is an urgent need for them to scale up their emergency response. Archbishop Longley has written to all parishes: "I am aware of the many requests and demands that fall upon you & your generous parishioners but I would be grateful if you would consider supporting CAFOD's emergency appeal for Sudan at some point over the coming days. With my thanks for all that you do, together with my prayers and kindest wishes."

PLANNING CONSENT GRANTED FOR NEW CHURCH

Well done everyone for your letters and support which helped towards consent being granted. A most useful meeting with the Archdiocese took place this week to discuss how best our Vision can be brought to fruition.

PARISH PRAYER GROUP: This Monday, 29th April, 7.30-9.00pm, at Trinity House, 8 Dugdale Av, Bidford, B50 4QE. Contact Nicky: 0784 3055 764. All welcome!

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING MASS FOR MARRIAGE

Saturday, 4th May 12noon, St Chad's Cathedral, light refreshments afterwards. Ring [0121 321 5148](tel:01213215148) to register or www.vocations.org.uk/marriage-mass.

*SUMMER FAYRE - SATURDAY, 8TH JUNE *

12 - 4pm, at the Crawford Memorial Hall, Bidford.

The boxes for donations are at the back of church. Bottle Tombola, Plant Stall & Raffle prizes. Thank-you to all who have responded already. Please consider signing up to help for the stalls. For any further information ring Bernadette 07748470386.

Many thanks

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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, contact 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.