

St. Joseph the Worker Bidford-on Avon



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18th/19th JANUARY 2025 (Yr C)

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday	5.30pm Mass
Sunday	11.00am Mass in thanksgiving (Hargreave)
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Memorial of St Agnes, Virgin, Martyr</i>
Wednesday	10.00am Mass
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Memorial in Worcestershire of St Nicholas Owen, Religious</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Memorial of St Francis de Sales, Bishop, Doctor of the Church</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Feast of the Conversion of St Paul, the Apostle</i>

Saturday	5.30pm Mass
<i>The Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity ends today</i>	
Sunday	11.00am Mass

The Parish warmly welcomes all visitors and Parishioners

SECOND COLLECTION

This weekend there is a collection for Pax Christi

MASS INTENTION THIS SUNDAY

From Ruth in thanksgiving for her mother, Pearl

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please continue to pray for our youngsters as they prepare for their first Sacrament of Reconciliation on 2nd February

MONDAY, 20th JANUARY: PARISH PRAYER GROUP

7.30pm-9.00pm - meet in the Presbytery.

MONDAY, 27th JANUARY: PARISH MEETING

The new Dean of Kidderminster & Worcester Deanery, the Very Reverend Canon John Yethirajulu Batthula, will be visiting our parish on Monday, 27th January, to introduce himself to us and to talk about the future of the parish. The meeting will be held in the church, starting at 7.30pm. It will be livestreamed but if any wants a lift please let the meet & greeters know

WEDNESDAY, 29th JANUARY: SCRIPTURE GROUP

10.30am-11.30am - meet in the Presbytery.

FRIDAY, 31st JANUARY: TIMELINE COURSE SESSION 10

10.00am - 11.30am - meet in the Presbytery

PARISH LUNCH

A big thankyou to those who came to our parish lunch last Sunday & those all contributed in any way. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves and It was good to have time to talk (and eat!) This is just the first of many - so look out for the date of the next one!

THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY

For the right to an education: Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, may always be respected.

PRAYERS: Please let us pray for:

~ Those that have died recently - especially Phil Hodgetts' brother, Gerry, and her sister Theresa, who both died recently. We continue to send all our love and prayers to her and the family. May they rest in peace.

~ Those whose anniversaries occur in January:

Doreen Allen; Elizabeth Brett; Canon Garry Byrne; Margaret Connelly; Dot Gerrard; May Kane; Kath 'Paddy' Milward; Michael Moore; Pat Neville; Wynne Pozzi; Margaret Schutte; John Turner; Clare Wyatt

~ All who suffer the consequences of wars & conflicts: and let us pray for the Israel/Hamas ceasefire

~ Those affected by natural disasters - especially from the continued wildfires in LA, the earthquakes, tornadoes & flooding, and for those who have lost their lives and the millions who are trying to rebuild their homes & livelihoods

~ Our parish and the wider community: for the lonely; the bereaved; the sick and housebound - those at home, in care or in hospital, especially Peter Bennett; Shirley Burgess; Terry Cane; Margaret Holbrook; Chris Kelly; Liz Lloyd-Jones and all the Lloyd-Jones Family; Zophia Jackson; Monica Metcalf; Michael Moore; Elise Palmer & Ann Warrington and all those not mentioned here

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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.