

St. Joseph the Worker Bidford-on Avon



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11th/12th JANUARY 2025 (Yr C)

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Saturday 5.30pm Mass

Sunday 11.00am Mass

Monday Memorial of St Hilary, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

Wednesday No Mass

Friday Memorial of St Anthony, Abbot

Saturday 5.30pm Mass

The Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity begins today

Sunday 11.00am Mass

The Parish warmly welcomes all visitors and Parishioners

SECOND COLLECTION

Next weekend there may be a collection for Pax Christi

SUNDAY, 12th JAN: HOLY COMMUNION CLASS RETURNS

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

SUNDAY, 12th JANUARY: PARISH SOCIAL LUNCH

There is a 'bring and share' lunch in the Presbytery after Sunday Mass on 12th January 2025. Nice & simple, bring something if you can, but don't worry if you can't. Refreshments provided. It's an opportunity to just get together in fellowship. All welcome! If anyone needs a lift to attend please let Louise know (07715326713).

TUESDAY, 14th JANUARY: LITURGY GROUP MEETING

7.30pm-9.00pm - meet in the Presbytery.

WEDNESDAY, 15th JANUARY: SCRIPTURE GROUP

10.30am-11.30am - meet in the Presbytery.

MONDAY, 20th JANUARY: PARISH PRAYER GROUP

7.30pm-9.00pm - meet in the Presbytery.

100+ CLUB - DECEMBER RESULTS

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| 1st | No 117 | Maria Marrasan | £63.00 |
| 2nd | No 81 | Andy Jinks | £27.80 |
| 3rd | No 104 | Elise Palmer | £25.20 |

ADVANCE NOTICE

MONDAY, 27th JANUARY: PARISH MEETING

The Very Reverend Canon John Yethirajulu Batthula, Dean of Kidderminster & Worcester Deanery (Canon Brian McGinley's successor) 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. Lifts can be arranged to help those who want to attend.

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, who recently passed away, and her sister Theresa, who died last Saturday. We 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: particularly Gaza & Israel, Lebanon, Syria, Sudan; Ukraine & Russia; Haiti; Burkina Faso; Myanmar; Mali & Niger

~ Those affected by natural disasters - particularly from the wildfires in LA, the earthquake in Nepal and the recent flooding - 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

THE JUBILEE YEAR 2025 - PILGRIMS OF HOPE

What does this mean? How will the Church be celebrating it? How can I get involved? - Catholic talk show host and author Nana Churcher, and CAFOD's Simon Giarchi will be hosting Fr Jan Nowotnik (Director of Mission for the Bishop's Conference), Christine Allen (CAFOD's Director) and Kayode Akintola (CAFOD's Head of Africa) and more in this lively start to the Jubilee. Hear highlights of how we're celebrating as a church and how we can be tangible signs of hope and build a better world together throughout this holy year. **Saturday 18 Jan, 10:30am-midday, online.**

Register here for free: cafod.org.uk/jubilee

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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.