

St. Joseph the Worker Bidford-on Avon



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25th/26th JANUARY 2025 (Yr C)

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday of the Word of God

Saturday 5.30pm Mass

Sunday 11.00am Mass

*Tuesday Memorial of St Thomas Aquinas, Priest,
Doctor of the Church*

Wednesday 10.00am Mass

Friday Memorial of St John Bosco, Priest

Saturday 5.30pm Mass (Feast of the Presentation)

Sunday 11.00am Mass (of the Lord)

The Parish warmly welcomes all visitors and Parishioners

CHILDRENS' LITURGY

There is a Childrens' Liturgy this Sunday, 26th January.

SECOND COLLECTION

Next weekend there is a collection for the LIFE charity

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please continue to pray for our youngsters as they prepare for their first Sacrament of Reconciliation next Sunday, 2nd February, after 11.00am Mass.

MONDAY, 27th JANUARY: PARISH MEETING

This Monday is our opportunity to meet the new Dean of Kidderminster & Worcester Deanery, the Very Reverend Canon John Yethirajulu Batthula. He is visiting our parish to introduce himself to us and to talk about the future of the parish. The meeting will be held in the church, starting prompt at 7.30pm. It will be livestreamed but if anyone needs 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

MONDAY, 3rd FEBRUARY: PARISH PRAYER GROUP

7.30pm- 9,00pm - meet in the Presbytery

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:

~ Gerry and Teresa, Phil Hodgetts' brother and sister, who both died recently. May 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 in the world particularly in Ukraine/Russia; the Middle East; Sudan; Syria; Haiti; Mali; Kashmir; Somalia; and for the success of the Israel/Hamas ceasefire

~ Those affected by natural disasters - especially in the UK from Storm Eowyn; from the continued wildfires in LA, and the aftermath from the earthquakes, tornadoes & flooding. We pray 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.