

St. Joseph the Worker Bidford-on Avon



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1st/2nd FEBRUARY 2025 (Yr C)
FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD
World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life

Saturday	5.30pm Mass
Sunday	11.00am Mass
Wednesday	<i>Memorial of St Agatha, Virgin, Martyr</i> 10.00am Mass
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Memorial of St Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Day of Prayer for Victims of Human Trafficking</i>
Saturday	5.30pm Mass
Sunday	11.00am Mass

The Parish warmly welcomes all visitors and Parishioners

SECOND COLLECTION

This weekend there is a collection for the LIFE charity

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please let us pray for our youngsters as they make their first Sacrament of Reconciliation after 11.00am Mass this Sunday, 2nd February

MONDAY, 3rd FEBRUARY: PARISH PRAYER GROUP

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

WEDNESDAY, 12th FEBRUARY: SCRIPTURE GROUP

10.30am-11.30am - meet in the Presbytery

PARISH BUSINESS PLAN

Thank you all for the tremendous enthusiasm and support shown by so many of you at the Parish Meeting on Monday, 27th January. Total attendance was 71 with an additional 12 streaming online. At the Meeting we were informed that in order to obtain final Archdiocesan approval for a new building we need to develop a Parish Business Plan to show the long-term viability and sustainability of the new building. If you are interested in being involved could you please inform Steve Jackson, Andy Jinks or Paul Haffner in person, or contact Steve: 07758 088828 or Andy: a.jinks1@outlook.com by 14th February

****PARISH FUNDRAISING - EASTER MARKET 5th APRIL****

Any unwanted Christmas Gifts gratefully received for raffle prizes and tombola. Boxes available in the Porch. Many thanks for ALL your contributions

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 FEBRUARY

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life

Let us pray that the ecclesial community may welcome the desires & doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission to the priesthood and religious life

PRAYERS: Please let us pray for:

- ~ All who suffer the consequences of wars & conflicts
- ~ Those affected by natural disasters and extreme weather
- ~ 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
- ~ Those whose anniversaries occur in February:
Roberto Vargas (2011)

THANKYOU: From Stella Maris Collection 2024. The Parish gave £125 on Sea Sunday

100+CLUB - JANUARY RESULTS

1st	No 85	Antony Valiarambil	£63.00
2nd	No 12	Janet Lowry	£37.80
3rd	No 38	Steve Jackson	£25.20

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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.