St. Joseph the Worker Bidford-on Avon



The Presbytery, Quinney's Lane Bidford-on-Avon B50 4JL website: sjw-bidford.org.uk

8th/9th FEBRUARY 2025 FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Yr C)

<u>Saturday</u> <u>Sunday</u>	5.30pm Mass 11.00am Mass		
Monday	Memorial of St Scholastica, Virgin		
Tuesday	Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes World Day for the Sick		
<u>Wednesday</u>	10.00am Mass		
Friday	Feast of St Cyril, Monk, and St Methodius, Bishop, Patrons of Europe Day of Prayer for Europe		
<u>Saturday</u> <u>Sunday</u>	5.30pm Mass 11.00am Mass	(Racial Justice) (Sunday)	

The Parish warmly welcomes all visitors and Parishioners

<u>CAFOD</u>: Jo Williams (our Parish representative) will speak at each Mass this weekend about the work of CAFOD

<u>PILGRIMAGES</u>: Information is on the notice board in the porch near the Jubilee poster

SECOND COLLECTION: Next weekend there is a collection for Racial Justice

WEDNESDAY, 12th FEBRUARY: SCRIPTURE GROUP 10.30am-11.30am - meet in the Presbytery.

FRIDAY, 14th FEBRUARY: TIMELINE COURSE SESSION 11 10.00am - 11.30am - meet in the Presbytery

MONDAY, 17th FEBRUARY: PARISH PRAYER GROUP

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

PARISH BUSINESS PLAN: Once again, 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 please inform Steve Jackson, Andy Jinks or Paul Haffner in person, or Steve: 07758 088828 or Andy: <u>a.jinks1@outlook.com</u> 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 those in the world who continue to suffer the consequences of wars & conflicts, especially in Ukraine/Russia; Equador; Sudan & Syria; Haiti & Myanmar. We particularly remember those in the Middle East, and the situation in Gaza/Israel/Lebanon

~Those affected by natural disasters and extreme weather. We pray for those who have lost their lives and the millions who are trying to rebuild their homes & livelihoods

~ Those who have recently died and those whose anniversaries occur in February: Roberto Vargas (2011)

~ 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 <u>sg.sjw.bidford@rcaob.org.uk</u> or alternatively the Diocesan safeguarding team can be contacted on **0121 230 6240/** <u>safeguading@rcaob.org.uk</u> if you have any concerns.