

St. Joseph the Worker Bidford-on Avon



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15th/16th MARCH (Yr C)

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

Day of Prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments
Dementia Prayer Week

Saturday 5.30pm Mass

Sunday 11.00am Mass

Monday Feast of St Patrick, Bishop, Patron of Ireland

Wednesday Solemnity of St Joseph, Spouse of the

NO MASS TODAY Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday 5.30pm Mass (Day of Prayer for

Sunday 11.00am Mass the Candidates for
the Sacraments)

The Parish warmly welcomes all visitors and Parishioners

SECOND COLLECTION: This weekend there is a collection for CAFOD Lent Fast Day

PARISH PRAYER GROUP: LENTEN PRAYER Prayer requests can be written anonymously and placed in the sealed box with a slot, at the back of the church – blank postcards and pens will be on the pews and by the candles. These intentions will then be prayed for during the payer group

MONDAY, 17th MARCH: PARISH PRAYER GROUP

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

WEDNESDAY, 19th MARCH: DAY OF PRAYER - Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, Worcester - see Poster for details

MONDAY, 24TH MARCH: FUNERAL MASS

There will be a funeral mass for Peter Bennett at St Joseph the Worker on Monday, 24th March with Mass at 2.30pm, then to the Vale Crematorium for 4.00pm

WEDNESDAY, 26th MARCH: SCRIPTURE GROUP

10.30am-11.30am - meet in the Presbytery.

FRIDAY, 28th MARCH: TIMELINE COURSE SESSION 12

10.00am - 11.30am - meet in the Presbytery

PARISH BUSINESS PLAN:

The Steering Group met on 10th March. There will be a full Parish Meeting on 7th April which we hope will have as much support as the last one. Ian Hall will explain a bit more at each of the weekend Masses of 22nd /23rd March and 29th/30th March.

Father Stephen's Recommended Book for Lent:

Finding Your Hidden Treasure: The Way of Silent Prayer by Beningus O'Rourke. £10 from Amazon. An excellent follow-up to our retreat days, it is easy to read and very encouraging

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH

For families in crisis

Let us pray that broken families may discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences

PRAYERS: Please let us pray for:

~ All those who suffer the consequences of wars & conflicts, especially from the volatile Ukraine/Russia situation, the fragile situation in Gaza/Israel/Lebanon and the recent outbreaks in Syria and Sudan

~Those areas continually affected by natural disasters and extreme weather

~ Those that have recently died, especially Peter Bennet We continue to send our love and prayers to Paul and all the family and friends at this time.

~ Those whose anniversaries occur in March: Ellen Ashe; Lucien Ciotkowski; Albert Elms; Angela Farr; Susan Farr; Jack Gerrard; Thomas Hartley; Joan Lumley; Len Lumley; Margaret Paton; Margaret Sheffield & Helen Viles

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

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

Thank you ALL, as always, for your continued support. Please can I ask for donations of wine and spirits; Easter Eggs; chocolates & chocolate biscuits; games, etc, for Raffle Prizes for a Luxury, as well as a Family & lastly, a Chocolate Hamper. We are also hoping to do a Bottle Tombola Stall, so donations of wine, spirits, beer, shampoo, lemonade, orange juice, etc. If anyone can make pickle or jam, please let me know. We are hosting a Nearly New Clothes sale, a Cake Stall, Crafts Stall, as well as the Raffle & Refreshments. We need volunteers to help. Please try to offer a few hours of your time to share the load & support your Parish. Many thanks - Bernadette (07748470386)

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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.