





# St. Joseph's, Warndon & Holy Redeemer, Pershore

## Parish Newsletter - 11<sup>th</sup> September





### 24<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



	Sat. 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	4:00 pm	Holy Redeemer	Mrs Sheila Daniels (Nee Baker) RIP (Aniv)
	Vigil Mass	6:00 pm	St Joseph	Michael & Manonmani. R.I.P.
	Sun. 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	9:00 am	Holy Redeemer	People Of Our Parishes.
		11:00 am	St Joseph	Ms Madge Price RIP
Mon. 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	10:00 am	Holy Redeemer	Caroline Farey's Ints. [Work in Vatican]	
Tue. 14 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	9.30am	St Joseph	School Mass	
	6.00pm		Liam's Ints. [Birthday] By Anne.	
Wed. 15 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	10.00 am	Holy Redeemer	For All Priest. By Mrs B Hogan.	
Thur. 16 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	Private Mass			
Fri. 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	9:30 am	Holy Redeemer	Adoration.	
	10:00 am		For Holy Souls	
	6:00 pm	St. Joseph	Adoration	
	6:30 pm		Santhosh George – Thanksgiving Mass Divine Mercy Chaplet	

### 25<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



	Sat. 18 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	4:00 pm	Holy Redeemer	Victor Pillai. R.I.P.
	Vigil Mass	6:00 pm	St Joseph	Natasha's Ints. [Birthday] By Anne
	Sun. 19 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	9:00 am	Holy Redeemer	People of Our Parishes
		11:00 am	St Joseph	Varghese R.I.P. [A] By Gincy Jose

**Confessions - Holy Redeemer and St. Joseph's:** Confessions, during the restrictions, are now being heard by appointment only so please telephone **Fr. Amal (01905 454352)** if you wish to receive the sacrament.

**Act of Spiritual Communion:** My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

#### Daily Novena Prayer to St. Joseph

Oh St. Joseph whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires.

Oh St. Joseph do assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your divine son all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, our Lord; so that having engaged here below your heavenly power I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of fathers.

Oh St. Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while he reposes near your heart. Press him in my name and kiss his fine head for me and ask him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath. St. Joseph, patron of departing souls, pray for us. Amen.

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# PARISH NOTICES

## Celebration of the Mass – Revised Safety Guidance

- It is reaffirmed that **the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended**.
- Given there is **no Sunday obligation**, we ask you to consider attending **Mass on a weekday**.
- For “track and trace” purposes (on a voluntary basis) a **contact phone number** will be kept, for a period of 21 days, for people who come to Mass.
- Although the **1 metre plus social distancing rule** has been rescinded, we would ask you to refrain from gathering in groups within the Church.
- The “one way” system in the church is being maintained.
- **The wearing of a face covering** is still advised for people attending church services.
- **Hand Sanitizer** will be provided on the entry and exit of the church.
- Members of the congregation should not exchange **the sign of peace**.

**Bishops’ Conference Guidance on Entering Stage Four, July 19;** see **Stage 4 Guidance**

**Useful Links:** the following links are to On-line mass, prayer and other resources.

<u>Celebration of Mass. (Live Streams)</u>	<u>Parishes With Live Streams</u>
<u>Universalis Sunday Mass Reading</u>	<u>24th Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>
<u>Universalis “Todays” Mass Readings</u>	<u>Mass Readings for “Today”</u>
<u>Embrace the Holy Spirit</u>	<u>Embrace the Holy Spirit</u>
<u>Women in Scripture</u>	<u>Women in Scripture</u>
<u>The God Who Speaks: Echoes of God</u>	<u>Echoes of God</u>
<u>The Domestic Church:</u>	<u>Domestic Church Resources.</u>
<u>Prayers in a Time of Illness:</u>	<u>Liturgy Office Prayer in Time of Illness</u>
<u>CAFOD Children's Liturgy:</u>	<u>CAFOD</u>
<u>Holy Redeemer Primary School</u>	<u>Holy Redeemer School</u>
<u>St. Joseph’s Primary School Website</u>	<u>St Joseph's School</u>

## Archdiocese of Birmingham – New Upcoming Events

**Climate Action Meeting: 16th September 7-9pm (online):** You are invited to join our initial open meeting of the Join Birmingham Diocesan Trust on combatting climate change via Zoom, at [Climate Action Meeting](#), in which we will talk about the work we have done and what we wish to do, and where we will invite you to feedback, share your stories or simply add your support.

**National Mass for the Guild of St Stephen at Ss Mary and John, Wolverhampton:** on **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> September**, at 12noon, to which servers from across the country are invited. Archbishop Bernard Longley will be principal celebrant and homilist at the Mass at the parish of Ss Mary & John, Wolverhampton. For Servers to book visit [Guild of St Stephen National Mass](#)

**Proximity at St Mary’s College, Oscott,** A new, annual event for **altar servers** of all ages is to be held this year on **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October**. See [Proximity](#) for booking and details.

**Life in the Spirit course:** An online series of Life in the Spirit in which a talented group of musicians and speakers will guide participants. which starts on **Wednesday 22 September at 7.30pm**. See [Life in the Spirit](#) for details.

**Annual Pilgrimage to Harvington Hall:** This year’s Pilgrimage to the Shrine of the English Martyrs, will take place this **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September**. Mass will be offered at **3.00 pm** with **Bishop David Evans** as the Principal Celebrant. For a live stream to the Pilgrimage follow this link: <https://youtu.be/PSf52Lw33pU>.

	<b>St. Joseph’s</b>	<b>Holy Redeemer</b>
<b>Parish Priest (Fr. Amal)</b>	<b>01905 454352.</b>	<b>01905 454352.</b>
<b>Deacon</b>	Rev. M Kevin Gowdy - 01905 731639	Rev. Pat Oldman 01386 304146
<b>Parish Administrator</b>		Christine Dodd 01386 552737 E-mail <a href="mailto:parish@holyredeemerpershore.org.uk">parish@holyredeemerpershore.org.uk</a>

**'The Cry of the Poor' - Exploring the Encyclical Fratelli Tutti:** Gidea Park is hosting the second part of a free on-line event on **Saturday 2nd October**, 11.00 to 12.30 BST in which Fr Ashley Beck will explore the contents of the encyclical of Pope Francis, **Exploring the Encyclical Fratelli Tutti**, and explain that at a time of turmoil it is a strident call for global cooperation, solidarity and peace. its crucial relevance to Climate Change. For access to this free event go to [www.whatgoodnews.org](http://www.whatgoodnews.org) and follow the instructions.



**Readers:** we are going to follow our **reader's rota** from October onwards; anybody would like to read in the Mass, please add your name in readers' rota list which is in the Porch.

**Altar Servers:** Altar servers can serve on the altar from this weekend. If you wish to serve, please see Deacon Pat or Deacon Kevin.

**First Holy Communion:** 39 Children are going to receive Our Lord for the first time in their life [First Holy Communion] at **St Joseph's church on 18<sup>th</sup> September & 25<sup>th</sup> September** at 10.00am mass (children and their families only) and at **Holy Redeemer on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October** at the 4pm Vigil Mass [For everybody]. Please keep them in your prayers.

**Holy Redeemer's School Class Masses:** School masses will resume from this Wednesday onwards.

**Missio - Red Boxes:** The red boxes are traditionally emptied, and the monies collected sent to Missio in March and September. Due to Covid this has not happened over the last 18 months. Although the usual system of red box collection by your promoter will not be reinstated at the moment, if anybody would like their red box emptied, please bring it to church and ask for it to be put in the safe. It will be collected, counted and arrangements made for its return. PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ANY BOX AT THE BACK OF CHURCH. Alternatively, if you wish to count the money in your box yourself and send your donation directly to Missio please visit their website for ways to do this - [www.missio.org.uk](http://www.missio.org.uk). **Please quote our parish code BIR151 when sending anything direct.** There are copies of the current Missio magazine available for collection. If you need any help with your red box please contact Sue Allen 01386 561246

**Food Bank (Pershore):** Please can you help by giving a donation of non-perishable food? The Bank needs tinned tomatoes, tinned fish, baked beans, biscuits, all types of soup, treats, tinned fruit and tinned veg; tinned meat (both cold and hot), coffee and instant mash potato. There is a box at the back of church for donations.

**200 Club – St. Joseph's:** The 200 Club at St. Joseph is now open to new members. If you wish to participate, please take a form from the back of the church.

**Volunteers Needed to Clean St Joseph Church:** Anyone who would like to volunteer to join with our group of cleaners on the **Cleaning Rota** for St Joseph's Church please give your name & phone number to Fr Amal, Deacon Kevin, or Mrs Mande Ellsworth. This is not a massive commitment as you are likely only to be required to clean once in a two-month period. Thank you in anticipation of your support for this important part of our parish life.

**Holy Redeemer (Contact):** Please note that any requirements for the services of a priest at Holy Redeemer should contact Fr. Amal on **01905 454352** or e-mail at: [stjosephswarndon@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:stjosephswarndon@yahoo.co.uk).

**Newsletters:** We are grateful to those who print off newsletters and deliver them to those not on the internet. Please consider doing this if you know a parishioner in this situation.

**Next weekend 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for Catholic Evangelisation:** Next Sunday is **Home Mission Sunday**, and a 2<sup>nd</sup> collection will be taken for Catholic Evangelisation which aims to help the local Church make the joy of the Gospel a reality in England and Wales.

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<b>Safeguarding</b>	Mr. Sinoj Sebastian 07882 754832	Ann-Marie Wallbank 01684 294040
<b>School Head</b>	Mrs Louise Bury 01905 452772 office@st-josephs-pri.worcs.sch.uk	Christina Hall 01386 552518 office@holyredeemer.worcs.sch.uk
<b>Hall Bookings</b>	office@st-josephs-pri.worcs.sch.uk	wulstanhall@gmail .com

### The Word this Week:

We come to an important turning point this week: Simon Peter publicly recognises Jesus as the Messiah. But there is an important point, this Messiah is a king who is destined to be rejected and killed. Jesus knows this very well, and rebukes Peter when he tries to lead him on a different path. Jesus himself accepts his own cross, and reminds all his followers that the cross is a part of following him.

### Spiritual Matters

In Sunday's Gospel Jesus asks the disciples, "Who do people say I am?" Some reply that He is a prophet, but Peter knows the truth and answers that He is Christ; God's precious Son. This is awesome because Jesus is also our very own Saviour. He shares all of our sorrow, enjoys our happy times, and walks every step with us. Indeed, Jesus loves us so much that He suffered and died to forgive our sin and grant us eternal life. We are extremely blessed, so, what can we do for Him? Jesus just asks for our love, and to remain true followers; even when we feel misunderstood. This can be challenging and it may be tempting to abandon the Lord when we encounter people who criticize our faith. So, let us ask Jesus to fill us with His love today and pray for the grace to stay faithful forever.

**(Louise Bowen)**

### For Your Prayers:

Continue to pray for all those who are sick at this time, those at home and in hospital, **Susan Vial, Peter Oshea, Lynda Horne, Elena Petta, Mary Jenkins, Hannah Bratt, Rachael Nielsen, Sarah Cole, Helen Abbott, Richard Milnes, Hazel Tester and Siobhan Stillwell.** We also remember their carers and the sacrifices they humbly offer.

We pray to the merciful Heart of Jesus for those who have died, especially those whose anniversaries occur this week. **Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine.....**

**If you would like someone to be prayed for by the parish, please complete a privacy consent form.**

*"To do the will of God, man must despise his own; the more he dies to himself, the more he will live to God."*

**St. Peter Claver**

**Thank You to Our Volunteers:** Without their support, we would be unable to open our churches for Masses. Their help is really appreciated. Please keep them all in your prayers.

### **Volunteers at Holy Redeemer and St. Joseph's**

Sat. 11/09	H.R. 4 pm	Christine Dodd,	Pat Haines,	Jane Morgan	Anne Halliday
	S. J. 6 pm	David Vas	Sharon Vas	Martin Fletcher	
Sun. 12/09	H.R. 9 am	Christine Dodd	Bernard O'Keefe	Sheila Oldman	Jenny Masser
	S.J. 11 am	Boby Kappen	Biju Joseph	Mandie	Ann Gowdy.
Mon. 13/09	H.R. 10 am	Christine Dodd	Sheila Oldman	Caroline Farey	
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