



Parish of Saint Joseph

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SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year A

14th – 15th January 2023

REFLECTION

Isaiah 49:3,5-6

Psalms 39:2,4, 7-10

1 Corinthians 1:1-3

John 1:29-34

From the prophet Isaiah, we learn of the mission given to Jesus by the Father: 'You are My servant.' More than Servant and Son, our Lord was to be a light to the nations, that God's salvation may reach to the ends of the earth. Before the first exodus, a lamb was offered in sacrifice and its blood was painted on the Israelites' doorposts. The blood of the lamb identified their homes and the Lord "passed over" these in executing judgment on the Egyptians. In the new exodus, Jesus is the "Lamb of God," as John beholds Him in the Gospel today. The Psalm sings of Our Lord in today's Psalm. He has come, to offer His body to do the will of God. And through His sacrifice, He has given us ears open to obedience and made it possible for us to hear the Father's call to holiness, as Paul says in today's reading to the Corinthians. He has made us children of God, baptized in the blood of the Lamb. And we are to join our sacrifice to His, to offer our bodies—our lives—as living sacrifices in the spiritual worship of the Mass.

Masses, Service & Intentions

Sat	14	Feria in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Holy Mass	Pro Populo
Sat	14	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Stan Williams † (Mary Williams)
Sun	15	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Holy Mass Live streamed	Pope Benedict XVI †
Mon	16	Feria in Ordinary Time	12.00 noon	Holy Mass <i>Live streamed</i>	Kate Guy – well-being (Sam Craig)
Tue	17	Memorial of St Anthony, Abbott	7.45am	Holy Mass	Shaun Hogan † (Edd Hogan)
Tue	17	Funeral Service for Michael John Smith	12.00 noon	Funeral Service	
Wed	18	Feria in Ordinary Time <i>Octave of Christian Unity</i>		Private Mass	Intention of William Hilary (Michael Blair)
Thu	19	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	10am – 6.45pm		In Church
Thu	19	Feast of St Wulstan, Bishop <i>Octave of Christian Unity</i>	7.00 pm	Holy Mass <i>Live streamed</i>	John Griffiths † (Mary Carroll)
Fri	20	Feria in Ordinary Time <i>Octave of Christian Unity</i>	9.15am	Holy Mass	Pauline Skyrme † (Fr Naz)
Sat	21	Memorial of St Agnes, Virgin, Martyr <i>Octave of Christian Unity</i>	10.00am	Holy Mass	Marian & Philip Longstaff † (Liz & Chris Burger)
Sat	21	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Octave of Christian Unity</i>	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Pro Populo
Sun	22	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Octave of Christian Unity</i>	10.00am	Holy Mass Live streamed	Maureen & George Ward † (Helen Connelly)

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY 2023 IS FOR EDUCATORS



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HOLY MASS AT ST JOSEPH'S is livestreamed via
YouTube:
<https://www.youtube.com/@stjosephs.rcparish.malvernuk>
or
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCq9QGYz7Cm_mPDRxzmT_ttow

Fr Naz hears confession in the Confessional from 10:30am until 11am on Saturdays or by appointment.

PLEASE PRAY FOR the sick & housebound of St Joseph's parish: Clare Gray, Michael Nealon, Irma Bevan, Anne Wiseman, Martin Burger, Anne-Marie Elder, Margaret Coleman, Terry Warneford, and Jessica. We include all those in hospitals, nursing homes & their own homes. Our Lady, health of the sick, pray for them. **Amen**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENT DEAD
Pope Benedict XVI, Fr Anthony De Vere, Priest of the Archdiocese, and **Michael John Smith**: Funeral on Tuesday 17th January at 12 noon.

GOSPEL SHARE: on Friday, at 7.30 pm in the McEnnis Room. Everyone is welcome.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION FAMILY MEETING: The Sacrament of Reconciliation: **This Sunday 15th January: 11.20 – 12.50**

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY
18th to 25th January 2023

Churches Together in Malvern will be meeting for zoom prayers on each of the days of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity beginning from 7.00 pm to last 15 to 20 minutes. The day allotted to St Joseph's is Monday, 23rd January. You will be able to join the prayers through the following link:
<https://zoom.us/j/92642599837?pwd=dm5yckxqdFdkZlhrctCTFpZbGhkZz09>
Meeting ID: 926 4259 9837 Passcode: 503666

CTIM UNITY SERVICE: You are all invited to a Churches Together in Malvern to a Unity Service to take place on 22nd January 2023 at Malvern Baptist Church at 4pm.

MARY'S MEALS

Give until 31st January 2023 and your donation will be doubled by a group of generous supporters up to £1.5 Million – meaning then we can reach even more hungry children with life changing school meals. Donate online marymeals.org.uk/donate. By phone 08006981212. Bank transfer: The Royal Bank of Scotland, Account name: Mary's Meals, Acc. No. 00609134, SC 83-26-24

THIS WEEK THERE IS A SECOND COLLECTION FOR PAX CHRISTI

ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE: Dave Bench, has communicated the date of his ordination to the diaconate to Fr Naz. He will be ordained deacon on 5th July 2023 at Palazzola in Rome. Dave did his placement at St Joseph's in 2021 and he continues his studies for the priesthood at the English College in Rome. Please keep him in your prayers.

WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO ORGANISE THE ROTA FOR STEWARDS, READERS & SPECIAL MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST? Al Hood has been doing an excellent job with the rota for some years now but he is now looking to for someone else to take this on. The rota is produced about 3 times a year. There will be lots of handover and support from Al. If you feel you would like to take this on please contact Al through the parish office.

COLLECTION COUNTERS As we are now back to having collections at the weekend masses, we are in need of helpers to count the collections. Are you able to help? If so, please contact the parish office. Thank you to the two volunteers who are already doing the counting and who have made a great difference to our Parish Treasurer's workload!

MALVERN HILLS FOODBANK has sent a message of thanks for hosting a collection point for the Foodbank in our church. They have had a busy time and seen a 6% increase in the number of food parcels distributed in 2022. During the period 1 January – 31 December 2022, they distributed nearly 55 tons of food to 5201 people in need, of whom 2154 were children. The support of the congregation at St Joseph's is greatly appreciated as the demand for food parcels in the greater Malvern Hills area continues.

Newman Association Father Douglas Lamb will give a talk on Newman - A Personal Odyssey on Thursday 19 January, 7.30pm at St George's Parish Hall Worcester. Car park. Postcode WR1 1UT

National Rethink Abortion Training Day Sat 4th Feb, 10am – 5pm (optional mass at 9am). An interactive event equipping you to talk about abortion in a meaningful and productive way in your everyday life. Venue: at St Mary's College, Oscott, Chester Road, Sutton Coldfield, B73 5AA. Lunch and refreshments provided. Booking required. Find out more & book your place at marchforlife.co.uk

Lyttelton Well Quiz Night Saturday 14th January will be on Saturday 14th January, if you haven't been to one of our quizzes yet, why not give it a try. As ever, teams of four will be competing for almost fabulous prizes & people arriving in ones and twos will be helped to join or form teams. The quiz format allows several opportunities to win prizes – it isn't winner takes all - the object of the evening is sociability and fun rather than trying to find masterminds. The Lyttelton Rooms will be open from 7 o'clock and the quiz will get going at about 7.30, once we have settled everyone into teams. The cost is £2.50 per head plus a contribution for tea, coffee, cake and biscuits etc.