



Parish of Saint Joseph

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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 Kevin Douglas. They can be contacted at: sg.stjoseph.malvern@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

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Central idea: Confidence in God

Job 7:1-4, 6-7 Job is a man who has lost all-natural optimism. He does not believe that good things are in his future: "I shall not see happiness again." We need the natural virtue of optimism to bear life on earth. **1 Corinthians 9: 16-19, 22-23.** If I preach the gospel, this is no reason for me to boast, for an obligation has been imposed on me, and woe to me if I do not preach it! Paul is glad to carry out the task of preaching of the gospel which has been entrusted to him by Our Lord which he: Paul has the natural optimism that at least some of those to whom he preaches it will accept it and so share in it. **Mark 1:29-39** they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons. What motivated the people to bring all those who were ill or possessed was Israel's ultimate hope that God will set everything right for those who fear him. Christ is really the object of our optimism and hope. Let us make God real in our life by talking with him often in prayer, receiving his healing in the Sacrament of Penance, receiving him often in the Holy Eucharist.

DAY	DATE	DETAILS OF THE DAY	TIME	MASS/SERVICE	INTENTION
Fri	02	FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION (CANDLEMAS)	9.15am	Holy Mass	John Eckersley (wellbeing) (Fran & Max Mainini)
Fri	02	DALVINGTON CARE HOME	3.00pm	Holy Mass	
Sat	03	FEAST OF ST. BLAISE (BLESSINGS OF THE THROATS)	10.00am	Holy Mass	Intention of Felix Stephen (Lizzy Philip)
Sat	03	EVE OF FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (BLESSINGS OF THE THROATS)	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Robert Gallear ☩ (Mrs Jane Jones)
Sun	04	FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (BLESSING OF THE THROATS)	10.00am	Holy Mass Lived streamed	Pro Populo
Mon	05	Memorial of St Agatha, Virgin, Martyr	12.00am	Holy Mass Lived streamed	John Chirwa - Recent dead☩
Tue	06	Memorial of St Paul Miki, and Companions, Martyrs	7.45am	Holy Mass	Japanese lost in the earthquake (Pauline)
Wed	07	FERIA IN ORDINARY TIME		Private Mass	Margaret Parffrey ☩
Thur	08	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	10.00am – 6.45pm	In Church	
Thur	08	FERIA IN ORDINARY TIME	7.00pm	Holy Mass Live streamed	Intention of Felix Stephen (Lizzy Philip)
Fri	09	FERIA IN ORDINARY TIME	9.15am	Holy Mass	Holy Souls
Sat	10	Memorial of St Scholastica, Virgin	10.00am	Holy Mass	Pro Populo
Sat	10	EVE OF SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Michael Townson Well-being (Pauline and Viv)
Sun	11	SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Holy Mass Lived streamed	Vincent Rooney ☩ (Marion Haley)

HOLY MASS AT ST JOSEPH'S is livestreamed on some days via YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/@stjosephs.rcparish.malvernuk> or
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCq9QGYz7CmmPDRxzmT_tto

❖ **Pope's Prayer Intention for February: For the terminally ill. We pray that these families receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.**

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

❖ **GOSPEL SHARE GROUP** meets every Friday in the McEnnis Room at 7.30 pm for one hour. Please come and join in.

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, Jessica, and Christine Smith. We include all those in hospitals, nursing homes & their own homes. Our Lady, health of the sick, pray for them. **Amen.**

RECENT DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: Angelo Mainini and Jannette Robson

Next Sunday there will a Second Collection for the LIFE Charity.

CANDLEMAS: There will be the blessing of candles this Friday on the Feast of the Presentation. If anyone wishes to have their candles blessed at this Mass please bring them along to Mass.

BLESSING OF THROATS is ordinarily celebrated on February 3, the feast day of Saint Blaise of Sebaste (modern Sivas, Turkey). It is also celebrated in some of the Eastern Catholic Churches, and in parishes of the Anglican Communion on the same day as a commemoration. The blessing of the throats will take place at both the 10am and the 6pm Masses this Saturday as well as the 10am Mass on Sunday.

ONE WORLD GROUP APPEAL – The delayed Christmas Collection for the parish's One World Causes in Bolivia will take place on 17th and 18th February. There will be a short talk at the end of Mass on the 10th and 17th February at which time envelopes for contributions will also be given out.

Lent 2024 – Hot Soup

Each Monday in Lent we would like to welcome you to a shared simple lunch of soup and bread in the McEnnis Room. Mass is at 11.30am followed by lunch in the McEnnis Room at 12 noon. Everyone is welcome but we also need volunteers to either prepare or buy in the soup & bread. Help is always forthcoming to heat and serve the lunch on the day. In the past we have regularly had around 20 people sharing lunch, so that is a good estimate to work to. We do not ask people to sign up to coming in advance.

All the crockery and cutlery etc needed is provided in the McEnnis Room kitchen. Payment is voluntary and based on what you can give. The funds help to pay for the soup and any surplus supports the work of our parish One World Group. If you can help by taking on responsibility for providing the soup & bread on one of the Monday's, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.

Question – Why do we do this?

Answer – coming together to eat together during Lent, in a simple way, provides a connection between us and those less well off than us. It provides an opportunity for our community to come together and socialise too. It is a shared experience. Dates – 19th February; 26th February; 4th March; 11th March; 18th March; and 25th March. Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex if you wish.

Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 14th April 2024. £899.00 pps. Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 5 nights in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Lunch on three days. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock, Galway City, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick & Ashford Castle. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact Patricia or Natali on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

Walk with Me Booklets are out the front to purchase for £1.00 voluntary contribution for The Journey of Prayer for Lent.

Churches together in Malvern- Are hosting a **Pancake Party** – at Lyttelton Well Café – Monday 12th February from 6pm to 8pm – be prepared to wait – bring the family - there is no charge – Voluntary Contributions are welcome.

Events

6th February 5pm to 6.30pm FHC

6th February 7pm to 8.30pm RCIA

World Mission Sunday 2023 – thank you for the gift of £533.05 from St Joseph's Parish. This will help spiritual sustenance to encourage missionaries.

Parish Magazine - Copy Day for the next edition is Sunday 25 February. All contributions very welcome. Please send to Margaret Rank merank@btinternet.com or leave in an envelope in the narthex. Many thanks - and see you soon! Margaret

Well Counselling Service Fundraising Quiz Night - Saturday 10th February - The monthly fundraising quiz evening will take place in the Lyttelton Rooms Main Hall on Saturday 10th February. As ever, teams will be competing for fabulous prizes and the object is to have an entertaining, sociable evening rather than a highly competitive quiz. The doors open at 7pm and the quiz gets going at about 7.30, once we have helped people arriving in ones and twos to join or form teams. There is no need to book, simply turn up. The cost is £3.00 per head plus a contribution for tea, coffee, squash, biscuits etc. The event continues to grow in popularity with the more people [even those who claim to dislike quizzes] discover that quizzes can be fun. The January quiz was the most successful to date, raising more than £200 for Well Counselling.

Diocesan Directory 2024 for sale in the front of the church for £3.00

HILL HOUSE CAMPS – Poster and Postcards at the front of the church in the narthex if anyone is interested.

Music for Lent and Easter Saturday, 10 February 2024 10.00 am – 3.30 pm St Chad's Cathedral, Birmingham - To register for the day please e-mail Martin Barry at martin.c.barry@gmail.com – This is a singing day aimed at singers and parish music leaders from all around the archdiocese to accompany us on our journey through Lent and the Holy Week. Admission is free. A simple lunch of soup and a roll will be provided.

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