



Parish of Saint Joseph

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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year A

4th – 5th February 2023

Racial Justice Day

REFLECTION

Isaiah 58: 7-10

Psalm 111: 4-9

1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Matthew 5:13-16

Jesus used ordinary images, such as salt and light, to convey extraordinary truths about the kingdom of God. Salt was a valuable commodity in the ancient world. Salt not only gave food flavour, it also preserved meat from spoiling. Jesus used the image of salt to describe how his disciples are to live in the world. As salt purifies, preserves, and penetrates, so the disciple must be as salt in the world of human society to purify, preserve, and penetrate that society with his righteousness and peace. Jesus also used the image of light and a lamp to further his illustration. Lamps in the ancient world served a vital function, much like they do today. They enable people to see and work in the dark and to avoid stumbling. The Jews also understood "light" as an expression of the inner beauty, truth, and goodness of God. Jesus used the image of a lamp to describe how his disciples are to live in the light of his truth and love.

Masses, Service & Intentions

Sat	04	Feria in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Holy Mass	Pro Populo
Sat	04	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Racial Justice Day</i>	6.00pm	Holy Mass	John Griffiths † (Maggie Griffiths)
Sun	05	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Racial Justice Day</i>	10.00am	Holy Mass <i>Live streamed</i>	Stephen Rogers † (Jean Rogers)
Mon	06	Memorial of St Paul Miki, & Companions, Martyrs	12.00 noon	Holy Mass <i>Live streamed</i>	Charles Walker - Wellbeing (Craig Family)
Tue	07	Memorial of St John Bosco, Priest	7.45am	Holy Mass	Michael Jeffrey † (Carol Ann Harnett)
Wed	08	Feria in Ordinary Time <i>Day for the Victims of Human Trafficking</i>		Private Mass	Intention of Willam Hillary (Michael Blair)
Thu	09	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	10am – 6.45pm		In Church
Thu	09	Feria in Ordinary Time	7.00 pm	Holy Mass <i>Live streamed</i>	World Refugees (Helen Connelly)
Fri	10	Memorial of St Scholastica, Virgin	9.15am	Holy Mass	Thanksgiving (Bincy Jennymon)
Sat	11	Feria in Ordinary Time <i>World Day for the Sick</i>	10.00am	Holy Mass	Private Intention (Max Mainini)
Sat	11	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Brendan Rogers † (Jean Rogers)
Sun	12	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Holy Mass FHC Family mass <i>Live streamed</i>	Pro Populo

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY 2023 IS FOR PARISHES

HOLY MASS AT ST JOSEPH'S is livestreamed via

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@stjosephs.rcparish.malvernuk> Or

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCq9QGYz7CmmPDRxzmT_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**

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

LITURGY MEETING: Monday, 6th February at 7:30pm
For those who cannot attend in person please join by zoom at the following link:
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82121984185?pwd=UndpM1F5S21ObDExMIJOSjIQTlpCdz09>
Meeting ID: 821 2198 4185
Passcode: 965626

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!

Please pray for Janette Mitchell Robson & Margaret Theresa Jackson who died recently. Janette Robson's reception into St Joseph's will be on Wednesday 15 February at 4.30pm. Her funeral will be on Thursday 16 February at 1.30pm followed by cremation at Worcester Crematorium at 3.15pm
Margaret Jackson's funeral will be on Wednesday 15 February at 11.30am followed by cremation at Worcester Crematorium at 1.00pm

Parish Magazine Copy Date is 26 February If you would like to contribute to the parish magazine please email your article to Margaret Rank at merank@btinternet.com or leave it in an envelope in the narthex addressed to Margaret.

RECEPTION AND FUNERAL OF CANON GARRET (GARRY) BYRNE Reception of the Body and Mass at St Joseph's Church, Quinney's Lane, Bidford-on-Avon, B50 4JL on Monday 27th February at 6.30pm.
Funeral Mass will be at Christ the King and Our Lady of Lourdes RC Church, Westhill Road, Coventry, CV6 2AA on Tuesday, 28th February 2023 at 12 noon. Archbishop Bernard Longley presiding. Burial at Bidford-on-Avon

SUNDRELLA KIRBY BRAVE THE SHAVE CHALLENGE

Sundrella is shaving her head on her birthday this year! All the donations will be for MacMillan Cancer Support.

✦Date: **5th February 2023**

✦Time: Around 11.15a.m (After Sunday Mass)

✦Venue: McEnnis Room

Come along and together we can help to change lives. Every penny raised could help MacMillan continue their amazing work helping people living with cancer.

If you wish to donate online, please visit the link:

<https://bravetheshave.macmillan.org.uk/shavers/sundrella-kirby>

100+ Club January Draw Congratulations to the winners who are: 1st prize £90 – John Taylor; 2nd prize £45 – John Taylor; 3rd prize £45 – Vivienne Fox; 4th prize £22.50 – Barbara Mitchell; 5th prize £22.50 – Collette Phelps
Thank you to everyone that has contributed to 100+ Club. We are grateful for your continued support. The next draw will take place in February. For those who are not familiar, the 100+ Club provides essential funds for church maintenance. So how does it work?

✦Anyone who is interested may join by signing up with the parish office / contact Sundrella Kirby (sundrellakirby@gmail.com)

✦Each number is £5. Once a person signs up, his/her name will be associated with a number. The more £5 contributions, the more numbers the person will have.

✦Each month, there will be 1 draw with 5 winners. The winners' names will be published in the bulletin.

✦Prizes vary according to the number of people in the club. Currently the top prize is £90. When we reach more than 100+ numbers, we will be able to increase to prizes!

WEEK OF GUIDED PRAYER, MALVERN March 19th to 25th 2023. Would you like the opportunity to deepen your relationship with God, with the personal help of a Prayer Guide? Members of the Worcester Diocesan Network of Spiritual Directors, who have done this in Malvern for the last 4 years, can offer you 45 minutes each day from Monday to Friday. The week would start on the Sunday (19th) and end with a group meeting of the participants and prayer guides at 6 Cowleigh Road (Gospel Hall) where you could meet your guide and arrange times and locations etc. As it is Lent, a theme has been chosen, "Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows" (Isaiah 53). However, as the week is about your personal faith journey, you will be free to follow on from the Isaiah quotation or not. For more information, please the leaflets at the back of the church or you can contact Rev Sylvia Coke Woods on 07533917150 or sylvia.cokewoods@gmail.com OR Jane Long on 01684 566101 by email, janerlong@icloud.com. by March 1st if possible. On Saturday 18th February and Sunday 19th February, at the end of Mass at St Joseph's, one of the team, Anne King, will speak about the Week of Guided Prayer.

Please pick up your copy of the New Rota for Stewards, Readers & Special Ministers of the Eucharist

The next Lyttleton Well quiz night is on Saturday 11 February at 7pm. Just turn up.