



# Parish of Saint Joseph

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## Second Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year B

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1 SAMUEL 3:3b-10, 19 John 1: 35-42

We begin the season of Ordinary Time with classic vocation narratives. The young Samuel asleep in the temple, was awakened by hearing his name being called. He went to Eli three times, thinking that the priest was summoning him. Realizing that Samuel was hearing God's voice, Eli told the young man to put himself at God's service by saying "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening." The culmination of the story is Samuel's willingness to listen to God's voice. In biblical terms, the idea of listening is equivalent to obedience. The Gospel invites us to share the adventure of vocation with two of John the Baptist's disciples. When John the Baptist pointed to Jesus saying, "Look, there is the Lamb of God," they then tried to catch up with Jesus as he walked along. At that point Jesus turned to them and asked the most important question of their life: "What are you looking for?" The disciple's question, "Where do you live?" was a way of saying, "We want to know more." As people baptized and thus consecrated to God, we also must want to know more.

Day	Date	Details of the Day	Time	Mass/Service	Intention
Sat	13	FERIA IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Holy Mass	Pro Populo
Sat	13	EVE OF SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Colin Taylor - wellbeing (David & Pat Taylor)
Sun	14	SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Holy Mass	Pro Populo
Mon	15	FERIA OF ORDINARY TIME	12.00am	Holy Mass Lived streamed	
Tue	16	FERIA OF ORDINARY TIME	7.45am	Holy Mass	Deceased of the Murphy, Delany & Kennedy Families
Wed	17	MEMORIAL OF ST ANTHONY, ABBOT WHITE		Private Mass	
Thur	18	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	10.00am – 6.45pm	In Church	
Thur	18	FERIA OF ORDINARY TIME Week of Prayer for Christian Unity	7.00pm	Holy Mass Live streamed	Shaun Hogan † (Edd Hogan)
Fri	19	FEAST OF ST WULSTAN, BISHOP Week of Prayer for Christian Unity	9.15am	Holy Mass	Stephen Philips (Well-being)
Sat	20	FERIA OF ORDINARY TIME Week of Prayer for Christian Unity	10.00am	Holy Mass	Sue Cumming - Recent (Vicki Alfonso)
Sat	20	EVE OF THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME Week of Prayer for Christian Unity	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Margaret Tully † (Viv Fox)
Sun	21	THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME Week of Prayer for Christian Unity	10.00am	Holy Mass	For the confirmandis

**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](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCq9QGYz7CmmPDRxzmT_tto)

❖ **Pope's Intention for January: For the Pope: For the gift of diversity in the Church.**

❖ **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 DEAD:** Father Christopher Greaney, a retired Priest of the Archdiocese, who died on Thursday 28th December 2023.

This week's Second Collection is for Pax Christi

**PEACE SUNDAY 2024.** Pope Francis releases the theme of his message for the 57th World Day of Peace and calls for open dialogue on the topic of artificial intelligence which is "endowed with disruptive possibilities and ambivalent effects." Artificial Intelligence and Peace."

**CONFIRMATION: SUNDAY 21ST JANUARY 2024:** We welcome Archbishop Bernard Longley who will confer the sacrament of confirmation to four candidates of Confirmation at the 10am Sunday Mass on 21st January. Following the Mass, the archbishop will be led by a group of children from the school to bless the Pam Taylor Library.

**Wedding Anniversaries Celebrations this week -**  
Joan and Ken Haywood 15<sup>th</sup> January  
Lindsay and David Lucas 16<sup>th</sup> January

#### **CTM ZOOM PRAYER MEETINGS**

During the week Thursday 18th – Wednesday 24th January (excluding 21st) there will be the opportunity to meet for prayer on Zoom at 7.30pm. These will be led by members of the Clergy. All are welcome. Meeting ID 889 0695 0470 - Passcode 961476.

The zoom link for the evening prayer sessions  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88906950470?pwd=TIpoenZGc2wveWo4cWhpc1poU29PUT09>

#### **CHURCHES TOGETHER IN MALVERN WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY**

The Unity Service is being held on Sunday 21st January here at St. Joseph's. Refreshments will be available from 3.45pm and the service will commence at 4.15pm  
The Speaker will be the Bishop of Worcester, the Right Reverend John Inge.

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2024:** 18th - 25th January "You shall love the Lord your God ...and your neighbour as yourself..." An ecumenical team from Burkina Faso facilitated by the local Chemin Neuf Community has been the convener for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2024 drafting group. The World Council of Churches (WCC) and the Vatican have now published the material in several languages. The reflections explore how we find our common identity in the experience of God's love. The specific context of Burkina Faso reflects the need to place love at the centre of the quest for peace and reconciliation. The introduction also notes that Christian communities in Burkina Faso try to live the call to love through mutual hospitality.

**Would you like to connect locally, in-person, with other people who support the pro-life cause?** March for Life UK are inviting people to be part of a new initiative called 'Connect' which will help establish local pro-life groups to pray, fundraise, socialise, educate, and get involved in outreach. To find out more and be part of an initial online meeting please email Isabel at [info@marchforlife.co.uk](mailto:info@marchforlife.co.uk)

#### **Events:**

**13<sup>th</sup> January – Saturday – Induction Service at MEC for Roy Bournier – 4pm.** St Joseph's will be represented by Viv Fox and Susan Van Ling but all are welcome.

**15<sup>th</sup> January – Monday -** Sacramental/Liturgy/Music Meeting-7.30pm

**16<sup>th</sup> January – Tuesday RCIA 7pm-8.30pm**

#### **ROLE OF THE LAITY IN THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH**

Talk organised by Newman Association (Worcester Circle) to take place on Friday January 19th at St. George's Catholic Church in Worcester 1 Sansome Place, Worcester WR1 1UG. The guest speakers will be Archbishop Bernard Longley of RC Archdiocese of Birmingham and Bishop John Inge of Worcester Diocese. To book your place please follow this link <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/discipleship-and-mission-of-laity-in-church-today-tickets-784551413397?aff=oddtcreator>

**Coming to Mass brings us closer to Jesus.** All children from Year One to Year Four are invited to collect a sticker card from **Carol Ann** to be filled in each week they come to Mass. Certificates are given for completed cards.

#### **Lyttelton Well Quiz Night - Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> January**

**2024** The next Lyttelton Well Quiz will be on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> January, (questions will feature a review of 2023) when teams of four will be competing for almost fabulous prizes. The Main Hall door will be open from 6.45pm. The quiz will get going at about 7.30 once we have helped people arriving in ones and twos to join or form teams. The cost is £2.50 plus any donation you might wish to make for teas, coffees, biscuits etc. All proceeds are used to support The Well Counselling Service.

**PAC MEETING: Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January at 4pm: If you have items for the agenda please forward to Edd Hogan.**

