



Parish of Saint Joseph

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28TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Year A

14th - 15th October 2023

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Isaiah 25:6-10

Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20 Matthew 22:1-14

The line of thought prevailing in the readings of this Sunday is around change or transformation. In the First Reading it is the change from a wretched fate in which the people of Israel lived, to one of happiness and joy, symbolized by the banquet on it is Mount Zion, in which all nations will participate. In the Second reading St Paul says, **"There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the one who gives me strength"** This is applicable to anyone who is thus willing to let himself be changed by the action of God. The Gospel features people who find it difficult to engage in a different route from their daily and routine tasks that normally make up our existence. The king's invitation to his son's wedding banquet is declined on account of the daily tasks. The Christian person must be open to changes when he comes into contact with new realities which he will have to interpret in the light of the Gospel. One must be open to progress always and everywhere, while faithfully preserving what is absolutely vital to Christian Faith and morality.

Sat	14	Feria in Ordinary Time <i>Prisons Week</i>	10.00am	Holy Mass	Jay Hunt and Family (Frances Hunt)
Sat	14	TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>Prison's Week</i>	5.30pm 6.00pm	Holy Rosary Holy Mass	Janette Pearson RIP (Chris & Tony Hoyle)
Sun	15	TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.30am 10.00am	Holy Rosary Holy Mass <i>Live streamed</i>	Recovery of Tom Hogan (Mrs. K Hogan)
Mon	16	Feria in Ordinary Time	12 noon	Holy Mass <i>Live streamed</i>	Michael Logan RIP (Pat Fenwick)
Tue	17	Memorial of St Ignatius of Antioch	7.45 am	Holy Mass	Fr John Gildea (RIP) Janet Williams
Wed	18	Feast of St Luke, Evangelist		Private Mass	
Thu	19	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	10am – 6.45pm	In Church	
Thu	19	Feria in Ordinary Time	7.00 pm	Holy Mass <i>Live streamed</i>	Denis Hillary RIP (Michael Blair)
Fri	20	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.15am	Holy Mass	Margaret McAtteer RIP (Johnson Association)
Sat	21	Feria in Ordinary Time	10.00am		Kathleen McNamara (RIP)
Sat	21	TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>World Mission Day</i>	5.30pm 6.00pm	Holy Rosary Holy Mass	Elsa Tonietto RIP (Daniela Cresta)
Sun	22	TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>World Mission Day</i>	9.30am 10.00am	Holy Rosary Holy Mass <i>Live streamed</i>	Teresa Pereira Liu and Francisco de Sena Barreto (Mama Bui)

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 Intention for October: For the Synod.** We pray for the Church that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.
- ❖ **Fr Naz hears confession** in the Confessional from 10:30am until 11 am on Saturdays or by appointment.



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- ❖ **GOSPEL SHARE GROUP** meets every Friday in the McEnnis Room at 7.30 pm for one hour. Please come and join in.
- ❖ **Welcome to Fr James Talye Ipinlaye from St Georges, Worcester who will celebrate the Saturday 6pm Mass.**

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: Kathleen Brett

* **Reception into Church:** Wednesday 18th October by Deacon Sean Duffy at 4.30 pm

* **Funeral Mass:** Thursday, 19th October by Fr Naz at 12 noon

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:

Francesca & Michael Townson's 16th Wedding Anniversary: Friday 20th October

CERTIFICATE OF LONG SERVICE

This Sunday, 15th October we welcome the Christian Aid Representative for West Midlands, Batanai Padya, will be coming to give a certificate of outstanding service to Margaret Allen who has served as Parish Representative for Aid at St Joseph's for the past 25 years. The West Midland Representative will also thank the people of the parish for their outstanding support to the Christian Aid Appeals and confirm and welcome Marie-France Hicks and Win Crawford as parish representatives

World Mission Sunday this year is on 22 October. On this day the whole Church unites together through prayer for its missionary activity and by collecting funds to support Catholic communities across the world experiencing situations of poverty and turmoil.

The theme chosen by the Holy Father is: 'Hearts on fire, feet on the move' (based on Luke 24). In his message for World Mission Sunday Pope Francis encourages us all to set hearts ablaze with God's love and compassion for 'everyone has the right to receive the Gospel and we as Christ's followers have the duty to proclaim it without excluding anyone.'

Donations and prayers on this day have direct impact on Catholic communities overseas where the Church is too young, too small, or too poor to flourish without help from the rest of the Church. Our donations help build the Church, support vocations, and enable missionaries to carry out their mission in often dangerous and remote places.

Thank you for your ongoing support of Missio through prayer and charity. Please encourage your parish to do all they can to celebrate this day in solidarity with the whole Church.

For more information about World Mission Sunday, please visit: missio.org.uk/wms.

OCTOBER ROSARY MONTH: Please join in the rosary 30 minutes before the Saturday Evening and the Sunday Morning Masses. After the dismissal of each Mass in October, we say the 'Lourdes Prayer' to Our lady.

SIGN UP SHEETS IN NARTHEX: For those who would like to lead rosaries in October and for Prayer partners for the confirmandis

EVENTS

SATURDAY, 14TH OCTOBER at the 4pm Canon Brian McGinley will induct Fr Naz at Our Lady and St Alphonsus Church as Parish Priest of Upton and Blackmore churches.

SUNDAY, 15TH OCTOBER at the 10am Mass: Rite of Acceptance for those on the RCIA Program.

MONDAY 16TH OCTOBER at 5pm **Confirmation Session III** : 'The Holy Spirit

TEUSDAY 17TH OCTOBER: from 7pm till 8.30pm: **RCIA:** 'Introduction to Scripture and how it is used in the Church'

SATURDAY 21ST OCTOBER at 9.30am: Join **Men's Group Breakfast at Wetherspoon's (Foley Arms)**. Buy your own breakfast make a donation to Lara's 3 charities "Prostate Cancer UK, Plan International 'Organised by Holy Trinity & St James' Benefice Men's Group. For more information, please call The Revd Canon Eric G. Knowles 01684 567439 Richard Garth 01684 567385

MONDAY 23RD OCTOBER at 5pm: **Confirmation Session IV:** Gifts and Fruits of the Holt Spirit

WEDNESDAY 25TH OCTOBER from 1.30pm till 3pm

Official opening of the School Library at St Joseph's RC Primary School. Parishioners and families of pupils are all invited.

TUESDAY 7TH NOVEMBER at 7pm: **First Defibrillator training** by Malvern Malvern Heartstart

SATURDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 4, 10.00am-4p.m. At the Wellspring - Ledbury Led Quiet Day 'Finding the Rest that Restores' Led by Rev. Jo Vickery - £30 to include coffee on arrival, Vegetable soup at lunchtime, afternoon tea and cake. To book visit www.thewellspring.uk/led-quiet-day

CHURCHES TOGETHER CHRISTMAS ANGEL KNIT IN

A weekly 'Knit In' for the Christmas Angels in the Welcome Room at Lansdowne Methodist Church every Friday from 2.00 - 4.00pm. This year, it is intended to distribute the knitted Angels around Malvern in the early morning of Thursday 21st December. The group is for everyone, wool and pattern provided. Any queries, please contact Jenny Bull 01684 561307 or email jennybull10@btinternet.com.

Parish Magazine Copy Day for the next edition is **Sunday**

12 November, so you have a whole month to write something for us. All contributions welcome, especially if you haven't written for the magazine before. Please send copy to Margaret Rank at merank@btinternet.com or leave in an envelope in the narthex.

NOVEMBER: MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

As we approach the Month of Holy Souls (November), it is a fitting to already start thinking about how we reverence our loved ones, particularly how we hold them in memory. The final resting places of our beloved are a lasting reminder that Christ will raise us to eternal life. That's why in November various parishes arrange time for blessing the graves of the loved. In the Catholic funeral rites, the deceased's body is the most important symbol of the person whom we bid farewell to and commend to God's mercy and for whom we pray. We treat the body with reverence, sprinkling it with water and venerating it with incense. After the Catholic funeral liturgy in the presence of the body, our care for the dead takes us from the church to the place of burial or cremation. We shall be asking people to come up with a list of names of the loved ones whom they wish to reverence and hold in memory.