



# Parish of Saint Joseph

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## The Rewards of Fidelity

**Proverbs 31: 1—13, 19-20, 30-31:** The inspired writer describes the fidelity of a woman who is an ideal wife. The woman demonstrates that she is wise in every situation. The source of her wisdom, for which she should receive praise, is her desire to please God.

**1 Thessalonians 5:1-6:** St. Paul writes about the reward for those who persevere in faith until the Lord's return. Paul presents the argument that every Christian should remain alert because he does not know when the Lord Jesus is coming. Paul writes that it shouldn't matter when the Lord returns so long as Jesus finds him or her doing good and not evil in the last moments of life.

**Matthew 25:14-30:** In the Gospel Jesus promises that those servants of His who strive to be faithful by using their spiritual gifts to serve the Church and to advance the Kingdom will receive even more blessings to enrich their lives. However, the warning is that those who neglect their spiritual gifts will lose what God initially gave them. Those Christians who refuse to use their spiritual gifts are guilty of quenching the work of the Holy Spirit in their lives.

## Masses, Services & Intentions

Sat	18	<b>THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (World Day of the Poor)</b>	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Deceased of the Brennan & Gallagher Families
Sun	19	<b>THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Communion Family Mass) (World Day of the Poor)</b>	10.00am	Holy Mass <i>Live streamed</i>	Deceased of the Graney and & Nolan Families
Mon	20	Feria in Ordinary Time	12 noon	Holy Mass <i>Live streamed</i>	Deceased Prisoners
Tue	21	Memorial of the Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary	7.45 am	Holy Mass	
Wed	22	<b>Memorial of Cecilia Virgin Martyr</b>		Private Mass	
Thur	23	<b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>	10am – 6.45pm	<b>In Church</b>	
Thur	23	<b>Feria in Ordinary Time For those who have died in the past year.</b>	7.00pm	Holy Mass <i>Live streamed</i>	For those who have died in the past year.
Fri	24	Memorial of St Andrew Dung-Lac, Priests and Companions, Martyrs	9.15am	Holy Mass	Fr. John Gildea † (Janet Williams)
Sat	25	Feria in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Holy Mass	Holy Souls
Sat	25	<b>SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE (National Youth Sunday)</b>	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Deceased of the Bohovicz & Lewis Families: (Anne & Paul Lewis)
Sun	26	<b>SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE (National Youth Sunday)</b>	10.00am	Holy Mass <i>Live streamed</i>	Pat Pettit (Requested in Will)

**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 November: For the Pope: We pray for the Holy Father: as he fulfils his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.**

❖ **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 i

**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.**

#### **Safeguarding Sunday – 19th November**

This weekend we are promoting how we ensure St Joseph's is a safe place for all young people and vulnerable adults. There are lots of resources at [www.thirtyoneeight.org/downloads](http://www.thirtyoneeight.org/downloads) that talk about how the Church has moved to create a culture of safeguarding. Our parish Safeguarding Representative is Kevin Douglas he will be speaking at both masses this weekend and he is available to discuss any questions you may have around this area: contact details are on the bulletin and on our noticeboards more activities can be found at:

[safeguarding-sunday-2023-resource-pack.pdf](#) ([thirtyoneeight.org](http://thirtyoneeight.org))

**Online seminar 'Engaging the Disengaged':** Tuesday 21st November at 6pm (GMT). All in the Evangelisation Group and everyone interested are welcome to attend in the McEnnis Room. This is a joint initiative between the Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth and the Catholic Church Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. The internationally acclaimed Co-Founder and Executive Director of the Catherine of Siena Institute Sherry Weddell will be the main speaker. Sherry has spearheaded the training of more than 140,000 lay, religious, and ordained Catholics in hundreds of parishes in 175 dioceses across 5 continents. She promises to share with us some of her unique insights and formation resources to better equip us to fulfil our mission to bring people closer to Jesus Christ. Should you wish to do any background reading ahead of next week's event, Sherry's seminal book *Forming Intentional Disciples* (Publisher: Our Sunday Visitor, ISBN 168192207X) has recently been fully revised and updated and includes a foreword from Bishop Philip and can be purchased from all good book retailers.

**REMEMBERING THE DEAD IN NOVEMBER** A time to pray and give thanks for all those who have been such an important part of our life but are sadly no longer with us. Envelopes containing a sheet of paper in them are available in the narthex for anyone wishing to submit names of their loved ones for prayers during the month of November. Please take these envelopes home and return them in the November basket in front of the altar. If you wish to enclose a donation, the offering you give will generate Masses for Holy souls which will be spread out through the coming year.

Thank you to all parishioners at St Joseph's for your generous support to CAFOD this year and for your latest donation of £951.90 which we received on 31 October 2023. Thank you so much for being there for our global family.

**Second Collection next week:** for the Catholic Youth Service.

**Advent Walk with Me booklets** are available in the narthex -Please take a copy and if you wish, please give a donation of £1 – there is a jar. Thank you.

**ALTAR SERVERS:** all are invited to serve Mass on the Feast of Christ the King, Sunday 26th November at 10am. We will enrol all our new altar servers into the Guild of St Stephen at this Mass. We will present the Guild medal to the new servers who have served regularly but have not yet been enrolled already. We will also give out some certificates and other awards for servers who have reached certain milestones in altar serving – 5 or 10 years. All servers will make a commitment to be good and faithful Altar Servers.

**Christmas Lunch – Going ahead this year – we welcome all volunteers – please let Father Naz know if you can help in any way.**

**WORLD YOUTH SUNDAY** is coming up later this month on Sunday 26th November, Feast of Christ the King, a day on which Pope Francis invites the global Church to celebrate and pray for young people. In Lisbon this year, Pope Francis told young people that "Jesus' door is always open: Come and See!"

**Carol Service:** 17<sup>th</sup> December at 4.00 pm. This year we shall be joined by the Ukrainian Children of the Community.

**PARISH MASS FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED IN THE PAST YEAR** will be celebrated at 7pm on Thursday, 23rd November. If you wish to submit names of your family or friends who have died in the past year, please fill them on the form in the Narthex or submit their names to the parish office. Their names will also be entered in our book of remembrance. A candle will be prepared for each of the deceased and if you wish you can make a donation of £1 for the candle. These candles will be blessed and lit on the Mass of the day, and you will be asked to carry them to the sanctuary during the Mass. They can be taken home after Mass.

#### **EVENTS**

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November: RCIA: The Churches Year of Liturgical Colours 7pm – 7.30pm**

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November: CTM Catholic Church 7pm – 7.30pm**

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November – Service at Waterside Care Home 11am – 11.30am**

**HOLY JOE'S CAFÉ - Soup lunch on Advent after Mass on Mondays – Mass will be at 11.30am on these four Mondays -starting on the 27<sup>th</sup> of November for four weeks till 18<sup>th</sup> December.**

**SAVE THE DATE:** There will be a Mass for young people of the parish (i.e. at secondary school) and the young at heart on Saturday 9th December at 6pm. Young people are invited to pizza supper and party games in the McEnnis Room after Mass. Parents and carers may collect their young people at 9pm. On the Thursday before (7th December) we will be putting up a Nativity Scene at Church and would love some help from young people. Please RSVP to Suzi on 07939511177 to let her know if you will be joining us for the Pizza Supper and/or the Nativity Scene Working Party.

#### **CHURCH FLOWERS**

The flower group really need more help.

There is a meeting at 11am in the hall on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December.

Please come along and meet with us. We will be planning Christmas decorations for our church.

Experience helpful but not essential, training will be given.

**SAVING LIVES TOGETHER:** A big thank you to the all those who joined one or the other training sessions on the use of our recently purchased defibrillator to keep us safe in church and round and about. A total number of 28 people of the parish have undergone the training to use the defibrillator should the unexpected happen to anyone in church. A big thank you to Heartstart Malvern for their generosity of time to offer these training sessions. There is no doubt that everyone enjoyed the Heartstart training sessions.

