

# Parish of Saint Joseph

## Malvern

## Worcestershire

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25<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR Year A 23<sup>rd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> September 2023 PARISH MASS BOOK PAGE 131  $DAYOFPRAYEROFTHANKS\ GIVNG\ FOR\ HARVEST\ WORLD\ DAYOF\ MIGRANTS\ AND\ REFUGEES$ 

Isaiah 55:6-9 Philippians 1:20-24, 27 Matthew 20:1-16

"The men who came last," they said, "have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." Most likely, Matthew's Church community was experiencing a very particular need which this parable could address. Jesus wants to teach his disciples that gentiles, sinners and tax collectors must not be excluded from God's blessings that he has come to bring. It surely does not seem fair to those who have worked so hard to observe all the minute details of the Law of Moses.

FAITH QUESTIONS: Make a list of all the things you find "unfair" in the Church. What practices do you find unfair in your parish? What are the reasons or explanations given for the things you think unfair? Who is responsible for this unfairness? Can you do anything about it? Make a list of all the times and instances when God has been overwhelmingly generous to you, going far beyond fairness. Count the times. Why does God transcend fairness in dealing with us? What explanation does God give for going beyond fairness? What does this say to us as disciples of Christ? Select one person toward whom you will go beyond fairness in your dealings this week. Decide how you will be generous.

## Masses, Services & Intentions

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Sat	23	St Pius of Pietrelcina	10.00am	Holy Mass	Intention of Rev Nigel Coke-Wood
Sat	23	TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	Holy Mass	David Buxton RIP (Recent)
Sun	24	TWENTY-FITH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Holy Mass Live streamed	Raymond Bree (RIP)
Mon	25	Feria in Ordinary Time	12 noon	Holy Mass Live streamed	Jane Flanagan RIP (Mary Wolfe)
Tue	26	Feria in Ordinary Time	7.45 am	Holy Mass	Joyce Mary Lander RIP (Johnson Association)
Tue	26	Funeral of Jane Benedetti	11.00 am	Funeral Service	
Wed	27	Memorial of St Vincent de Paul		Private Mass	
Thu	28	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	10am – 6.45pm	In Church	
Thu	28	Feria in Ordinary Time	7.00 pm	Holy Mass Live streamed	Denis Hilary RIP
Fri	29	Feasts of Ss Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels	9.15am	Holy Mass	Christopher Bambiro RIP
Sat	30	Memorial of St Jerome	10.00am	Holy Mass	
Sat	30	TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Jim Brooks RIP (Sue Whitteron)
Sun	01	TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY INORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Holy Mass Live streamed	Rita Corvigan RIP (Margaret Chetwood)

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 September: For people living on the margins.

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**

**Jane Benedetti**: Funeral Service at St Joseph's on Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> September at 11 am.

Terry Warneford: Funeral on 3rd October at 3pm in the

United Reformed Church, Malvern Link.

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:

Des & Ruth Hopkins: 23rd September (51st ann)

## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

This Sunday: the second collection will be for Father Hudson's Care. Father Hudson's mission is to provide Catholic Social Care in the Archdiocese of Birmingham, reaching out to support vulnerable people in need in communities near you. As inflation rises the challenges faced by those with the least are multiplied. Please give generously to support those with nowhere else to turn.

#### THE RADCAMARATHON

On Sunday 8th October 2023, Alexander Craig will be attempting the most gruelling challenge: running more than 220 laps around the Radcliffe Camera in Oxford city centre and will not stop running until he has completed a marathon to raise money for Wychumvi, a charity which provides a hot meal for every child at Gofu Juu School in Tanzania every school day. If you would like to help Alex towards his £400 goal, please go to: <a href="https://wonderful.org/fundraisers/NqY5N">https://wonderful.org/fundraisers/NqY5N</a> Donations of any shape or size are most welcome.

## 100+ Club SEPTEMBER 2023 Draw -

*Congratulations to the winners who are:* 

1st prize £100 - James Walsh;

2nd prize £50 - John Eckersley;

3rd prize £50 - Mary Taylor;

4th prize £25 – Elizabeth Griffin;

5th prize £25 - Georgina Sturgeon

## Job opportunity: St Joseph's Parish Administrator

St Joseph's Parish is looking for an administrator. This is a part-time position, with the successful candidate expected to work 12 hours a week in the parish office. Duties include cultivating and maintaining constructive relationships with various people and groups from across the parish and the Archdiocese of Birmingham, general administrative tasks in support of the parish priest, liturgical/parochial administration, support to the Parish Advisory Council, maintaining GDPR requirements and liaising with contractors. How to apply: Interested candidates should current CV and cover letter to fr.nazarius.mgungwe@rcaob.org.uk by the application deadline of Friday 29th September 2023

Season of Creation 1 September - 4 October The Season of Creation is an annual celebration uniting Christians in prayer and action for the protection of our common home. The season runs from September 1 to October 4, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. During this season we are encouraged to pray and to deepen our relationship with our God, our neighbour and the earth we share.

## EVENTS

SATURDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER from 10am to 4pm, Workshop Day for Catechists: Also, for anyone else who would like to find out more about passing on the Good News of Salvation in Christ.. Lunch and tea/Coffee breaks will be provided.

SUNDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER at the 10am Mass a simple **Enrolment Rite** will take place for those starting the Confirmation programme.

SUNDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER, 4pm Calvin Robinson will be speaking on the 'IMPORTANCE OF PRAYING IN PUBLIC.' to help launch the autumn '40 Days for Life Campaign' – All welcome! This will be held in St Joseph & St Helen's RC Church Hall, 84 Northfield Road, Kings Norton, Birmingham, B30 1JG. For more information, please contact Isabel 07773501721 or email izzyvs@gmail.com

MONDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER at 7.30pm in the McEnnis Room: Liturgy/music/Sacramental meeting:

TUESADAY 26TH SEPTEMBER: RCIA: God the Son

WEDNESDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER: THE WELLSPRING (Ledbury) are hosting a self-led Quiet Day called "Draw Near to God". To find out more, or to book your place, visit www.thewellspring.uk. or phone 01531 635727. Space on the day is limited to 10.

FRIDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER: Prayer Service for residents at Waterside Care Centre, Leigh Sinton at 11am

SATURDAY 7TH OCTOBER at 12 noon: Guild of St Stephen annual Mass of thanksgiving will take place at St Chad's Cathedral. All Altar Servers are welcome to attend.

SATURDAY 7TH OCTOBER at 12.15 pm ROSARY at Belmont Abbey followed by Mass. Bring a picnic.

TUESDAY 10TH OTOBER at 7.30 pm: **CTM Meeting** in the Lyttleton Well Hall. It will be devoted to 'Prayer'. All churches and associated organisations please help contribute to creating a prayer space. Please bring your prayer requests and simple prayer station information or activity to the hall at 7 pm.

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.

### **Tabletop Sale in the McEnnis Room**

After 6pm Mass on Saturday 30th September & 10am Mass on Sunday 1st October. Following our unpacking after our recent house move we have a few items too good to throw away but which would be good to recycle. A tabletop sale seemed the solution. All proceeds will go the Maintenance of the Parish. Anything remaining will go to charity shops after the sale. We plan a table of books for sale and in addition 3 individual tables with items priced at £1, £3, and £5 only! There will be no sale of clothes. Please come along to see if anything takes your fancy and help to boost the parish maintenance funds. You are welcome to bring along items for sale for the same cause but please contact me first on 07962 918456. Please do not leave any items in the narthex for this at any time. Thank you. *Anne Lewis*.