

Parish of Saint Joseph

Malvern

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21ST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Year A

26th - 27th August 2023

Isaiah 22:19-23 Psalm 137

alm 137 Roman 11: 33-36 Matthew 16: 13-20

Jesus gave power to Simon Peter to "bind and loosen." What exactly is this power? It is realistically power and duty to proclaim Christ. Like Simon in 16:16, someone must proclaim who Jesus really is. That person must proclaim it in word and in service; he must proclaim it with an honest and loving heart. In other words, that person must be willing to exercise Christian leadership, to be Christ to others. As Peter proclaimed Jesus the Christ for the community, so his successor, the Pope, proclaims Him to the universal Church. As Christ empowered Peter to lead the Church, he empowers the Bishop of Rome to proclaim and serve entire Church. The Pope, then, is a "visible source" and foundation of unity of the bishops and the whole company of the faithful" (CCC 882). Union with the Bishop of Rome defines a local community (with its bishop) as the "Roman Catholic Church." And union with the Bishop of Rome defines a Christian as a "Roman Catholic." Moreover, just as Christ calls others to lead the Church as it proclaims the Word and serves the community at large, Christ also calls some to Christian leadership in their families, their workplace and in their leisure.

Masses, Services & Intentions

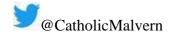
		Feast of Blessed Dominic Barberi			Intention of Bishop Yohane Suzgo
Sat	26	Novena for the Cause of canonisation of BI. Dominic Barberi	10.00am	Holy Mass	Nyirenda
Sat	26	TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Susan Raywood (Tony & Chris Hoyle)
Sun	27	TWENT-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Holy Mass Live streamed	Antony Wolfe RIP (Mary Wolfe)
Mon	28	St Augustine	12.00 noon	Holy Mass Live streamed	Intention of Michael Townsend - (Pauline Kirton)
Tue	29	Passion of St John the Baptist	7.45 am	Holy Mass	Tom Hagger RIP (Carol-Ann Harnett)
Wed	30	Feria in Ordinary Time		Private Mass	
Thu	31	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	10am – 6.45pm	In Church	
Thu	31	Feria in Ordinary Time	7.00 pm	Holy Mass Live streamed	Margaret-Lyon Mercado RIP (Mary Wolfe)
Fri	01	Feria in Ordinary Time World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation	9.15am	Holy Mass	Housebound of the Parish
Sat	02	Feria in Ordinary Time	10.00am	Holy Mass	Marian & Philip Longstaff (Liz & Chris Burger)
Sat	02	TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Thanksgiving (Joel & Josh Jennymon)
Sun	03	TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Holy Mass Live streamed	Roger Eckersley (Eckersley Family)

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 Prayer Intention for August: For World Youth Day

Pope's Intention for September: For people living on the margins.

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, 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.

Wedding Anniversary

Tony & Chris Hoyle: Diamond anniversary on 28th August Pauline and Tom Hurley: 30th August

RECENTLY BORN: Jayden, born to Joyson and Merin

Season of Creation 1 September - 4 October Look ahead to the Season of Creation. How can you help your parish/community to celebrate? Begin to make plans. Go to seasonofcreation.org for ideas.

The Catholic Bishops' Conference provides more information on the Season of Creation and this year's theme here: Season of Creation - Catholic Bishops' Conference (cbcew.org.uk)

Mass on the Hills 10th September 2023 1pm

Bishop David Evans with some priests of the Deanery will celebrate Mass on The Hills on 10th September at 1pm on Black Hill off Jubilee Drive. This will be followed by a bringand-share picnic lunch. There is parking at Black Hill car park, Jubilee Drive, WR13 6DW, SO765406. This area of the Hills can be busy on a Sunday afternoon. To reduce the number of car parking spaces needed, please consider car sharing. The area where Mass is to take place is a 5-minute walk to the north from Black Hill car park. There will be stewards at the car park to point you in the right direction. There is a £5.25 charge for parking for the day, but if you live in the area, you can apply for a yearly pass to park on the hills at a cost of £7.00 per annum. For full details please visit ttps://www.malvernhills.org.uk/visiting/parking/ Please wear sensible shoes, bring a chair or blanket to sit on, sun cream, water and a picnic to share. Be prepared for changeable weather. Altar servers should bring a chair to sit on too. If you have any questions, please contact Fr Naz or the Parish Office on 01684 574250.

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 CV current and cover letter to fr.nazarius.mgungwe@rcaob.org.uk by the application deadline of Friday 15 September 2023

PARISH FINANCE

A big thank you to Marie-France Hicks for volunteering to take responsibility for the two electronic plates we have from Mary Marsh. We still need someone to take on the role of Gift Aid Coordinator from Mary Marsh who has excellently done it for the last three years. To find out more please contact Fr Naz or Mary Marsh or Chris Park.

Guild of St Stephen annual Mass of thanksgiving will take place at St Chad's Cathedral on Saturday 7th October at 12 noon. All Altar Servers are welcome to attend.



Harvington's Pilgrimage celebrates 100 years since Hall's rescue from oblivion Sunday 3 September from 1.45pm

We give thanks for the lives of all of the martyr saints, those recognised on earth as saints of the Church and those known only to God.

Every September hundreds of pilgrims gather in the beautiful grounds of Harvington Hall, Worcestershire, for the annual pilgrimage to the Shrine of the English Martyrs.

This year is extra special as it marks the centenary of Harvington's rescue from ruin by Ellen Ferris, who gifted the Hall to the Archdiocese of Birmingham. The moated property, which was gifted to the Archdiocese in 1923, has the greatest number of priest hides of any house in the country. Master builder St Nicholas Owen, believed to have been the creator of four of them, is remembered during the Archdiocese's annual pilgrimage to commemorate the English Martyrs at Harvington Hall. To mark this milestone in our history we are pleased to announce that His Grace, Archbishop Bernard Longley will be the principal celebrant of this year's Pilgrimage Mass We hope you can join us to support this act of devotion to the Martyrs of the Midlands.



Congratulations to Joel and Josh for achieving multiple 'A' and 'A*' in their A-Level Results

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

CONFIRMATION 2023-24: The next Confirmation programme will start with a Parent and Child Meeting at 5pm on Monday 11th September 2023. Meanwhile all those baptised and not confirmed from Year Six onwards are invited to register for the programme. The Sacrament of Confirmation itself is with the archbishop booked for Sunday 21st January 2024 at the 10am Mass. Please pick a form from the Narthex to register and return it to Fr Naz or Sue Stubbings as soon as possible.

COMMUNION 2023-24 The first meeting with parents and children will take place on Sunday 17th September at 11.15am. We are inviting families with children who will be in year 3 or above in September, to apply for this Sacrament now. Application forms are available on the website. Applications close on 31st July 2023.

RCIA 2023-24 The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process by which adults draw closer to Christ and discern whether they wish to become Catholics. We will be having sessions every Tuesday from 7.00pm to 8.30pm starting from 12th September till Easter with a break over Christmas. Anyone interested to learn more about the Catholic faith is welcome. If you would like to find out more, without any obligation, please speak to either Fr Naz or Carol Ann Harnett as soon as possible.

A Day for Catechists Saturday 23rd September. Being a catechist is the responsibility of every Christian. A Catechist is someone who "echoes" what they have heard about Jesus Christ. We will be organising a day for all "catechists" and anyone else who would like to find out more about passing on the Good News of Salvation in Christ, on Saturday 23rd September, here at St Joseph's. Please keep that date free is you can.