



Parish of Saint Joseph

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The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Kevin Douglas. They can be contacted at: sg.stjoseph.malvern@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

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Let us approach Jesus for liberation.

Jesus did not use his authority and divine power to rule and control people. He came to set people free. Hence, let us approach Jesus with trusting faith so that he may free us from the evil spirits that keep us from praying and prevent us from loving and sharing our blessings with others. He also frees us from all the 'evil spirits' of fear, compulsions, selfishness, anger, resentment, and hostility. "I have come that they may have life, life in abundance." So, Jesus should be a source of liberation for us. May he free us from all those spirits which make us deaf, dumb, blind, lame and paralyzed, physically and spiritually. Through Word and Sacrament, he brings that power to us and says to the demons in our life, "Be gone!" He says it as often as we need to hear it, over and over again, until by his power we are free from them all. Christ has power over any demon. Whether that demon be an addiction, a heartache, a secret sin—whatever our need may be—Christ can set us free. (Fr Antony's life message)

Day	Date	Details of the Day	Time	Mass/Service	Intention
Sat	27	FERIA IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Holy Mass	Pro Populo
Sat	27	EVE OF FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Tom Hogan – Wellbeing (Mrs K Hogan)
Sun	28	FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Holy Mass Lived streamed	The Hogan Family (Mrs K Hogan)
Mon	29	FERIA IN ORDINARY TIME	12.00am	Holy Mass Lived streamed	
Tue	30	FERIA IN ORDINARY TIME	7.45am	Holy Mass	Margaret Bailes ☩ (recent) Collette Phelps
Wed	31	MEMORIAL OF ST JOHN BOSCO, PRIEST		Private Mass	
Thur	01	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	10.00am – 6.45pm	In Church	
Thur	01	FERIA IN ORDINARY TIME	7.00pm	Holy Mass Live streamed	World Refugees (Helen Connelly)
Fri	02	FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD	9.15am	Holy Mass	John Eckersley - well-being (Fran & Max Mainini)
Fri	02	DALVINGTON CARE HOME	3.00pm	Holy Mass	
Sat	03	FERIA IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Holy Mass	Intention of Felix Stephen (Lizzy Philip)
Sat	03	EVE OF FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Robert Gallear ☩ (Mrs Jane Jones)
Sun	04	FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Holy Mass Lived streamed	Pro Populo

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 February: For the terminally ill. We pray that these families receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.**

❖ **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 Stephen Matthew, Father Alexander (Sandy) Brown, a retired Priest of the Diocese

This week's Second Collection is for Racial Justice Sunday

Letter from the Archbishop – Dear Naz, Thank you so much for yesterday's joyful celebration of Confirmation. Please pass on my thanks to Sue and Rebecca for preparing the young people and to Mrs Langford and all the children and staff at St Joseph's school for the lovely blessing of the Pam Taylor Library. My thanks to Edd and all the altar servers and to your music group for the beautiful liturgy and to Susan for the most delicious lunch! I am most grateful to you for the very generous honorarium. Thank you for all that you do in your parishes. With my prayers and kindest wishes. Yours devoutly in Christ, Bernard

Wedding Anniversary: to Bridget and Ethel Nwosu for 2nd February.

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

We now have a Maintenance Book at the front of the church for anyone to fill out to let us know if anything needs replacing or fixing, for example changing a light bulb or taps in toilets not working properly. Thank you.

Lent 2024 – Hot Soup

Each Monday in Lent we would like to welcome you to a shared simple lunch of soup and bread in the McEnnis Room. Mass is at 11.30am followed by lunch in the McEnnis Room at 12 noon. Everyone is welcome but we also need volunteers to either prepare or buy in the soup & bread. Help is always forthcoming to heat and serve the lunch on the day. In the past we have regularly had around 20 people sharing lunch, so that is a good estimate to work to. We do not ask people to sign up to coming in advance.

All the crockery and cutlery etc needed is provided in the McEnnis Room kitchen. Payment is voluntary and based on what you can give. The funds help to pay for the soup and any surplus supports the work of our parish One World Group. If you can help by taking on responsibility for providing the soup & bread on one of the Monday's, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.

Question – Why do we do this?

Answer – coming together to eat together during Lent, in a simple way, provides a connection between us and those less well off than us. It provides an opportunity for our community to come together and socialise too. It is a shared experience. Dates – 19th February; 26th February; 4th March; 11th March; 18th March; and 25th March. Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex if you wish.

Walk with Me Booklets are out the front to purchase for £1.00 voluntary contribution for The Journey of Prayer for Lent.

DEATH ANNIVERSARY BOOK: Besides the Memorial Book we have on display in church, we would like to introduce the Death Anniversary book to enable us to pray for our loved ones on the Sunday Masses close to their anniversary. Please fill in the names and dates of those you wish to be prayed for in the book in the Narthex.

Events:

30th January – RCIA – 7pm to 8.30pm

CHURCHES TOGETHER UNITY SERVICE HELD LAST SUNDAY - If you were unable to get to the Unity Service last Sunday, or would like to hear the Bishop's address again, you can watch it on You Tube as it was recorded. Go to St. Josephs R.C. Church Malvern Website, scroll down and click on the Unity Service Recording.

COME AND SEE WEEKENDS 2024 AT HOLY CROSS ABBEY. For those who are discerning a Cistercian vocation (Friday 24th May to Monday 27th May) and (Friday 16th August to Monday 19th August) Anyone wishing to participate please contact hcaaltarbreads@gmail.com

Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 14th April 2024. £899.00 pps. Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 5 nights in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Lunch on three days. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock, Galway City, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick & Ashford Castle. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact Patricia or Natali on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

MEDJUGORJE IRISH CENTRE PILGRIMAGES APRIL - OCT 2024:

7 Nights Apartment B&B from €273 per person sharing. Airport transfer available on request. Contact us for details and book the dates that suit you. Tel. 020 3239 8662 MEDJUGORJE: 00387 36 651 518. or website www.med-irishcentre.com or Email: reservations@med-irishcentre.com

The Thursday Group will be meeting in The McEnnis Room, on Thursday **February 1st at 2.00pm** when Father Naz will be talking about his journey from childhood to the priesthood. Visitors are most welcome to join us. Thanks Di

DAY OF RECOLLECTION – BELMONT ABBEY, Ruckhall Lane, Hereford HR2 9RZ, Saturday, 9th March 2024. Organised by Andrew Grant on behalf of the Sovereign Military Hospitaller Order of St John of Jerusalem of Rhodes and of Malta. Everyone is invited; any guests you may wish to bring are also welcome. The day will be led by Dom Alexander Kenyon who has wide pastoral experience including working with victims and survivors of crime, the troubles in Northern Ireland and historical institutional abuse. The programme begins from 10am with tea /Coffee and runs through till 15.30 with a lunch break in between. Cost £40.00 per person including lunch. RSVP and cheque payments to: Andrew Grant, Bransford Manor, Chapel Lane, Bransford, WR6 5JG. BACS PAYMENT DETAILS: Sort Code: 60-95-34 A/C: 74257804. The Menu choices are on the reply form in the Narthex.