

St. Joseph the Worker

Fourth Sunday of Easter

12th May, 2019



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Sunday, 12 th May Fourth Sunday of Easter World Day of Prayer for Vocations	9.00 am 11.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy) 5.00 pm	Fr. Jimmy Lutwama Intentions of the Ordinariate Private Intention Stephanie Allen (Intentions)	
Monday, 13 th May <i>Op. Mem. of Our Lady of Fatima</i>	10.00 am 7.00 pm	Mitch Moore Fr. Paul's Intentions	
Tuesday, 14 th May <i>Feast of St. Matthias, Apostle</i>	No Mass Today		
Wednesday, 15 th May <i>Easter Feria</i>	10.00 am	Alfred dil Hossain	
Thursday, 16 th May <i>Easter Feria</i>	7.30 am Exposition & Morning Prayer 10.00 am 12.15 pm (University Chaplaincy) 7.00 pm	Fr. Louis Le Van Hong Private Intention Fr. Paul's Intentions	
Friday, 17 th May <i>Easter Feria</i>	10.00 am 12.15 pm (University Chaplaincy)	Kevin McKelvie (Intentions) (Mass in Latin) Private Intention	
Saturday, 18 th May <i>Op. Mem. of St. John I, Pope, Martyr</i>	10.00 am followed by Exposition	Fr. Paul's Intentions	
Sunday, 19 th May Fifth Sunday of Easter	9.00 am 11.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy) 5.00 pm	Holy Souls Intentions of the Ordinariate People of the Parish Esther Masterson	
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 10.30-11.00 am.			
Mass attendance: 229 Last week's first collection: £632.84; Gift Aid: £270.00. Thank You.	Reading Rota	9am	5pm
	Today	Mary Blay	Crystal Kofie
	Next Week	Henry Whitney	Bob Pryce

The Easter Season

The Easter Season began on Easter Sunday, and ends after Evening Prayer on Pentecost Sunday. These fifty days are a very special time and, as St. Athanasius wrote, they "are celebrated in joyful exultation as one feast day, or better as one great Sunday." The joyful sound of "Alleluia!" is heard many times throughout this season.

Welcome to St. Joseph's today. If you have recently moved into St. Joseph's parish, it's great to have you with us. Please do come and introduce yourself to me. Thank you.

Those who have died. Please pray for **Denis O'Neill** and for all those who have died recently, and for all whose anniversaries occur about this time: Frs. **Michael Jordan**, Cathal Cassidy, Denis Hickling and Thomas Canning, and also William Raley, Christine Nugent, Cesare Cerati, Sydney Feegrade, Philip Bryan, Maurice Kenny, Anne Healy, Violet Crowley, Margaret Boyle, Susan Donnelly, Margaret Morris, Sarah Mullen, Margaret Rainbow, Michael Purcell, Molly Hand and Thomas Price. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace.

Please pray for all the Sick of the Parish including: Kevon Perry, Bridget Cherry, Hildegard Atherton, Chris Mullen, Gabrielle, Salvador, and all the sick.

The Sanctuary Candle is burning this week for Christine Nugent (Anniversary).

May is the Month of Our Lady. If you are coming to a parish weekday Mass at St. Joseph's during the month, please feel welcome to stay to pray the Rosary with a group after Mass.

Easter Duties. Remember! The Church says that all Catholics who have made their First Holy Communion should receive the Holy Eucharist sometime between Ash Wednesday and Pentecost Sunday. They should also take part in the Sacrament of Penance before receiving this Easter Communion.

Counters' Rota. For those who are on the counters' rota there are copies of an updated rota in the porch. Thank you.

Vocations Sunday. Today is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. We pray for an increase in Vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life in our Archdiocese. There will be the annual collection at Masses today for the Clergy Training Fund which helps to support our seminarians and diaconate students.

On the subject of Vocations, you may be interested to know that Ryan Service who did a BA here at Warwick University ten years ago, and Piotr Wynanski who also graduated here in (I think) 2013 are both currently studying for the Priesthood at the Venerable English College in Rome. Ryan is due to be ordained a priest for this Diocese on 20th July in St. Chad's Cathedral in Birmingham, and, God willing, Piotr will be ordained for Arundel and Brighton Diocese in a year or two.

England is to be re-dedicated as the Dowry of Mary in 2020. A Triduum of Prayer at St. Chad's Cathedral. During the course of 2018 to 2020 the statue of Our Lady from the Slipper Chapel at the Catholic National Shrine in Walsingham will be taken to each Cathedral in England for a three-day triduum of prayer, as part of the preparation for the re-dedication of England as the Dowry of Mary in 2020. Each visit will take place between a Thursday and Saturday. The statue will be coming to St. Chad's Cathedral in Birmingham 20th-22nd June this year. More details to follow.

Commemorative Sanctuary Candles. If you have asked for a candle for a particular intention on any date between now and the end of the year, please let me know and I shall put it on the new list. For £5 you can buy a candle that will burn in the sanctuary or by the Sacred Heart, Our Lady, St. Joseph or St. Anthony, for any week of your choice during the coming year. It can be for any reason you want: to remember a loved one; for a special intention; or as a present.

200 Club winners:

1st Prize, £15: No. 75; M. Harrington.

2nd Prize, £5: No. 8; Val Edge.

Let's Celebrate! This year's CELEBRATE Conference takes place on Saturday 6th July (9.00-21.00) and Sunday 7th July (9.00-17.00) at Oscott College, Sutton Coldfield (B73 5AA). *Celebrate* is a Catholic Charismatic conference for all, young and old, open to individuals and families alike. It is hoped the weekend will help you find fresh inspiration and renewal in your faith in a relaxed and friendly environment. For information about speakers, or to book online go to www.celebrateconference.org/birmingham.

Herald Lodge Care Home in Canley Road are holding an Afternoon Tea on the last Wednesday of each month and a Community Lunch for the first Wednesday of each month. They want to reach out to any elderly in the community who may be living alone and need some company and would enjoy a nice meal and to make some new friends. These events are both free and all they need is for people to phone (02476671048) to book a place.

Cannon Park Memory Cafe will continue tomorrow, Monday, 10.30-12.30, in our parish hall. It is to offer friendship and support, particularly to those with memory problems. Just come along to see if it suits you.

Life in the Spirit Prayer Group. The next meeting is tomorrow evening, Monday, 13th May, in the hall, 7.15pm for a 7.30pm start. Starting with prayer and praise, then *Lectio Divina*. Please do come and take part.

Legion Of Mary – a one-day Conference on the theme of 'The Legion of Mary as a Promotor of Priestly Vocation' will be held at the Parish Centre of St Thomas More Church, Sheldon, on 22nd May, 10.30-4.00. Refreshments and lunch will be provided. Email Rev John Peyton, thomas.more@btinternet.com 17th May.

Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Before we begin our day's work we can meet for Morning Prayer and quiet adoration of Our Lord for half an hour on Thursday mornings, 7.30-8.00, followed by breakfast.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: This will be from Saturday, 25th – Friday, 31st May. This year's trip is being arranged through Tangy Tours and includes flights from Birmingham. Any enquiries relating to booking travel and accommodation should be directed to Tangney Tours on 01732 88666. By coach: £440 or by air: from £774. For details and forms go to the Birmingham Diocese website: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

Tailpiece: A keen charismatic prayer group were praying for a revival in their parish. "O Lord, set this place on fire," prayed one man, fervently. Another man, kneeling further down the line, muttered, "I'm in for a thin time if He answers that one!" He was an insurance agent.

**May God bless you and all those whom you love.
Fr. Harry**