



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.

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8: Moses emphasizes the Israelites' obedience to God's law. Israelites should diligently observe God's commandments, statutes, and decrees. By observing the law, they demonstrate their commitment to God and their faith.

James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27: God is the source of all good gifts. His gifts, including the Word of Truth, are perfect and unchanging. Embrace the Word of Truth with humility. Put the Word into practice, avoiding mere lip service. The Word of Truth must be received with humility and lived out in daily life. **Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23** Pharisees question Jesus about the lack of handwashing among his disciples. Jesus addresses their concern by highlighting the difference between external practices and inner purity. Jesus explains that defilement comes from within, not external practices. Inner thoughts and intentions determine moral and spiritual purity. The Gospel gives a list of vices: Evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, and other vices stem from within. These vices contaminate a person's heart and actions. Prioritize inner purity and the transformation of the heart. External practices are secondary to cultivating genuine moral and spiritual growth.

DAY	DATE	DETAILS OF THE DAY	TIME	MASS/SERVICE	INTENTION
Sat	31	FERIA IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	HOLY MASS	Helen & George Harvey - wellbeing (Fran Mainini)
Sat	31	EVE OF TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	HOLY MASS	Stan Williams † (Mary Williams)
Sun	1 Sept	TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation)	11.00am	HOLY MASS – Live streamed	Sylvia Walker † (Craig Family)
Mon	2	FERIA IN ORDINARY TIME	12noon	HOLY MASS – Live streamed	World Refugees (Helen Connelly)
Tue	3	FEAST OF ST GREGORY THE GREAT, POPE, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH	7.45am	HOLY MASS	Intention of Mr Joseph
Wed	4	FERIA IN ORDINARY TIME		Private Mass	
Thur	5	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	10am-6.45pm	In Church	
Thur	5	FERIA IN ORDINARY TIME	7.00pm	HOLY MASS – Live streamed	Jim Brooks † (Sue Whitteron)
Fri	6	FERIA IN ORDINARY TIME (First Friday)	9.15am	No Mass	
Fri	6	MASS AT DALVINGTON CARE HOME		Postponed to next Friday 13 th Sept	
Sat	7	FERIA IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	HOLY MASS	Pro Populo
Sat	7	EVE OF THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	HOLY MASS	Elsa Toniello † - (Daniela Cresta)
Sun	8	TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	11.00am	HOLY MASS – Live streamed	Intention of Betty Clarke (John Clarke)

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 September: For the cry of the earth.** We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change and that all will undertake to personally care for the world we live.

❖ **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, Anne Wiseman, Martin Burger, Anne-Marie Elder and Elizabeth Docker. We include all those in hospitals, nursing homes & their own homes. Our Lady, health of the sick, pray for them. **Amen.**

RECENT DEAD: Please pray for the following – Mike Harris: Funeral at St Wulstan's Church, Friday 6th September at 2pm and Father Peter Leo Blundell: Retired Priest of the Archdiocese, who died on Saturday 24th August 2024.

ANNIVERSARY OF DEATHS: Please pray for the repose of the souls of Gervaise Will, Gillian Avis, Ian Vaughan-Spruce, Tom Lucas, Mary Catherine Kealy, Dennis Delhanty and Rebecca Moore.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: Congratulations to Madeleine and Liam Close, Anne and Jim Quinn and Ella and Edd Hogan who are celebrating their wedding anniversaries this week.

Second Collection next Sunday 8th September 2024 will be for the Catholic Education Service.

Please pray for Fr Naz and a few parishioners from St Joseph's Malvern and Upton and Blackmore who are on a day retreat at Prinknash Abbey this Friday reflecting on how to take our church communities forward.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE:

A marriage between Bryn Simon Stubbings and Joanna Claire Hicke domicile in the Catholic Church of the Most Holy Trinity in Ledbury will be married at St Joseph's Church, Malvern on 7th September, at 3.00pm. A serious obligation rests on everyone to reveal any known impediment to the proposed marriage. Therefore, if any of you know cause or just impediment why these persons should not be joined together in Holy Matrimony you are to declare it to either the parish priest of St Joseph's, Malvern, or to the Parish Priest of the Most Holy Trinity, Ledbury. This is the Third time of asking.

FIRST CONFESSION AND HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION -

If your child will be in year 3 or above in September and you consider that he or she is ready to begin preparation for this sacrament, please complete the application form (copies are on the parish website and in the Narthex) and either return to the parish or send to Carol Ann Harnett. The programme will start at the beginning of October.

ADULT FORMATION IN FAITH: the RCIA Programme is not just for those who wish to be received into the Church but is a structured introduction to our beautiful faith for anyone, whether you are a Catholic or not. If you are interested in joining this year's programme please complete the application form in the Narthex. The programme will begin in September.

Workshop Day on Passing on the Faith, 14th September 2024: A day of practical workshops at St. Joseph's on how we can pass on the faith confidentially to other people. Suitable for all who are involved in Catechesis, Evangelisation, and Teachers. More details later.

MESSY VINTAGE HARVEST CELEBRATION'

Thursday September 5th - 2.00pm
at HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, MALVERN WR14 4LR
A fun informal Service to celebrate Autumn especially for Older People, including hymns, readings and Messy Vintage followed by refreshments. All are welcome.
People living with Dementia or with Special Needs and their Carer's are especially welcome.
Parking is available directly outside the Church door.

The Thursday group will be meeting at **2pm on Thursday September 5th** for a talk by Fr. Lockett (one time chaplain to the Queen) from The Beechamp Community in Malvern Link. We hope that as many members as possible will try to attend - it should prove to be a most interesting talk & visitors from the church are most welcome.

CHASE TEAM MALVERN - All Saints - St. Andrews - St. Mary's
Current Vacancies - OPERATIONS MANAGER (26 Hours per week) and COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER (15 hours per week) For further details visit www.chaseteam.org/vacancies or contact rector@chaseteam.org Closing date 13th September

**CHURCHES TOGETHER IN MALVERN
CHRISTMAS ANGEL PROJECT 2024**

If you enjoy knitting or crochet and would like to be part of this year's 'Angel Project' come along to the **Welcome Room Lansdowne Crescent Methodist Church** on a Friday from 2-4pm, to knit or crochet the angels, meet new people, chat and enjoy a cup of tea. The first 'angel knit in' will be on **Friday 13th September**. Wool and patterns provided. **All are welcome.** If you would like more information, please contact Jenny Bull 01684 561307 or email jennybull10@btinternet.com

CAP (Christians Against Poverty) Life Skills - Living on a Limited Income - An eight week, free of charge, Course starts Thursday 19th September 10.15 -11.45am
at Help Centre, Malvern Football Club, Langland Avenue, Malvern WR14 2EQ. Hosted by Malvern Baptist church in association with CAP. People struggling to choose between food or heat may be interested in this course designed to help identify the skills they need to live well on a low income.
To sign up for the course ring Dave on 07838833317 or go onto the website <https://capuk.org/get-help/cap-life-skills#> and enter your postcode. You can also email him on daveclarke@caplifeskils.org

100+ Club Winners for this month

1st Liz and Chris Burger
2nd Mrs Pauline Smith
3rd Mrs Mary Taylor
4th Mr Christian Dowle
5th Mr Alan Hood
Tina Slevin (slevtina1912@hotmail.com)

Mass on the Hills – our annual open-air Mass on the Malvern Hills will take place at 1pm on Sunday 15th September. All are welcome. Bring a chair, picnic rug and something for a shared picnic after the Mass. The location will c.300m up the main (uphill) path from Black Hill car park (WR13 6DW). The location for Mass will be the same as in previous years: WTW winner.arise.pickle . If you can help with this service, please speak to Fr Naz: stewards / servers / helpers for setting up and carrying equipment up and down the hill.

CHRISTIAN AID COFFEE MORNING

Please come along and support this at Great Malvern Priory on September 7th between 10am and 12. If you can make a cake or biscuits for this event, that would be great.
Thank you, Win Crawford