



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.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Isaiah 6:1-8 Psalm 137:1-5, 7-8 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Luke 5:1-11

PETER CHOSE TO OBEY: In today's Gospel, we see Jesus preaching from Peter's boat to a large crowd. When the teaching had ended, Jesus told Peter to pull out into deeper water for a catch of fish. In matters of fishing, Peter was the expert, while Jesus was only a carpenter. Hence Peter, perhaps not wanting Jesus to look foolish, explained, "Master, we have toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word, I will let down the nets." So, Peter chose to obey. That declaration of trust was what made the miracle that followed possible. This time, however, instead of pulling up an empty net, Peter and Andrew found the net was filled to bursting point. Peter was able to receive his call because he had seen the tremendous power of God. Today's Gospel concludes with an inspiring image of commitment: "When they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him"

DAY	DATE	DETAILS OF THE DAY	TIME	MASS/SERVICE	INTENTION
Sat	8th	ST JOSEPHINE BAKHITA, VIRGIN Day of prayer for Human trafficking	10.00am	Holy Mass	Holy Souls
		EVE OF FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: Day of prayer for Human trafficking	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Thanksgiving for new baby – The Neville Family (Anne & Paul Lewis)
Sun	9th	FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: Family Mass for First Holy Communion Children	11.00am	Live streamed	Chuck Walker † (Irena & Stefan Scicinski)
Mon	10th	ST SCHOLASTICA, VIRGIN	12noon	Holy Mass Live streamed	Holy Souls
Tue	11th	FERIA IN ORDINARY TIME	7.45am	Holy Mass	Pro Populo
Wed	12th	FERIA IN ORDINARY TIME		Private Mass	
Thur	13th	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	10.00am – 6.45pm		Angela Michongwe RIP recent (Katarina Mitchongwe)
		FERIA IN ORDINARY TIME	7.00pm	Holy Mass Live streamed	
Fri	14th	ST CYRIL, MONK AND ST METHODIUS.	9.15am	Holy Mass	New Baby - Broadbent Family (Anne & Paul Lewis)
		FUNERAL OF JOHN ORMONDE CROWE	1.00PM		
Sat	15th	FERIA IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Holy Mass	21st Wedding Ann: Emilia & Igor Dovkoshjia
		EVE OF SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	Holy Mass	Oilly Jones RIP (Gemma Lawrence)
Sun	16th	SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	11.00am	Holy Mass Live streamed	Betty Clark †
		UKRANIAN GREEK ORTHODOX SERVICE	3.00pm		

HOLY MASS AT ST JOSEPH'S is livestreamed on some days via YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/@stjosephs.rparish.malvernuk> or
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCq9QGYz7CmmPDRxzmT_tto

❖ **Pope's Prayer Intention for February: For vocations to the Priesthood and religious life. Let us pray that the ecclesial community welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.**

❖ **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, Anne Wiseman, 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:

Michael Joseph Kelly

Martin Burger

John Ormonde Crowe: Funeral at St Joseph's church, Friday 14th February at 1.00pm

ANNIVERSARY OF DEATHS: Please pray for the repose of the souls of Rosa Messart and Waclaw Urbanski.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK FOR RACIAL JUSTICE.

KIDDERMINSTER-WORCESTER CLERGY DEANERY MEETING: will be hosted at St Joseph's Malvern this Tuesday, 11th February. A big thank you to all those who accepted to provide refreshments and lunch to the clergy.

THE FEAST DAY OF ST JOSEPHINE BAKHITA, the patron saint of victims of human trafficking and modern slavery, takes place on February 8. There are 50 million victims of human trafficking across the world and as many as 130,000 in the UK, hidden in plain sight in your neighbourhood. Pope Francis describes human trafficking as "blood money" and a "crime against humanity". We are all called to combat this evil trade. To find out more and what you can do, go to santamartagroup.org/resources. A link to further information can be found via: Santa Marta Group | St. Bakhita Day

BLESSING OF THE THROATS

Following the Feast of St. Blaise which we celebrated on 3rd February the blessing of throats will be repeated at the end of the Saturday 6pm Mass and the Sunday 11am Mass for those who so wish. St. Blaise is the patron saint of throat illnesses, animals, wool combers, and wool trading. Anyone seeking to be free of any bodily infection is welcome for the blessing. The candles (blessed on Candlemas Feb. 2) are crossed against the throat, and the following prayer is said: **"Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen."**

HOUSE GROUPS

Alice Kerby will be speaking at the weekend Masses to introduce the initiative of House Groups:

Retrouvaille Marriage Help Programme Any couple experiencing problems within their marriage are welcome to contact Retrouvaille who regularly run marriage help programmes: www.retrouvaille.org.uk

Malvern Hills Food Bank – Please remember the needs of the Food Bank especially at this time of year Thank you.

DAY RETREAT FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST: will take place at Prinknash Abbey on Saturday, 15th March to be led by Monsignor Patrick Kilgariff. The retreat will be for serving Eucharistic Ministers and new recruits from St Joseph, Malvern, Blackmore and St Joseph Upton. St Georges has shown interest to be part of and it will be open to St Wulstan's depending on how many of our three churches have signed up for it. On Holy Thursday, both the serving and new ones will be commissioned to update our records. A full programme of the retreat will be communicated later.

CARITAS SOCIAL ACTION NETWORK is launching **Catholic Social Teaching:** An Introduction, an online course for staff and volunteers in parishes. The programme will be spread over **five one-hour Zoom sessions on each Tuesday in March and on 01 April 2025.** The course is aimed at parishioners who are not so familiar with Catholic Social Teaching, or who would welcome a refresh. We will also be hearing from CSAN members who work on the front line of poverty and exclusion, bringing our theoretical discussions to life. The course fee is £95 for all five sessions, which includes a copy of Raymond Friel's book, *Catholic Social Teaching: An Introduction for Schools, Parishes, and Charities*. Click on the link below to find out more information, or get in touch with course administrator, Bernadette, at bernadette.durcan@csan.org.uk.

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 10th March 2025. £799.00 pps. Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 4 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, Ballintubber Abbey, Quiet Man Museum. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

NATIONAL JUBILEE WALKING PILGRIMAGE OF HOPE.

The national Pilgrimage of Hope will take place in September 2025, with 4 main Ways which will bless our country with a Sign of the Cross. The Ways start at the Catholic cathedrals in Cardiff, Leeds, Norwich and London and will finish at Nottingham Cathedral on 13th September 2025, the eve of the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. The Pilgrimage will walk through St Joseph's Parish. We shall be expected to help and support the pilgrims, for example by opening the church so that pilgrims can enter and pray. In the next few weeks our parish will receive communication indicating in which we could participate, help and support this exciting and prayerful Jubilee project