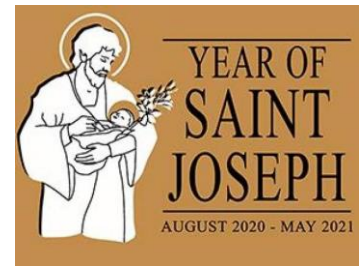


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SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Year B

14-15 August 2021

REFLECTION

On this feast, we praise God who has taken the sinless Virgin Mary, body and soul, into His glory. In our first reading, from Revelation, we find God's temple in heaven opened and the Ark of the Covenant revealed. John reports his startling revelation that the sacred vessel is now a woman, who is mother of the royal Son of David, the Messiah. At Mary's Assumption, as we see in Revelation, the queen takes her place at the right hand of the Son of David. John's Apocalypse shows also the fulfilment of our Gospel. There, Mary, pregnant with Jesus, retraces the steps of David as he brought the Ark to Jerusalem. Mary "arose and went" into the hill country, just as David "arose and went" to that region. Upon Mary's arrival, Elizabeth is awestruck, just as David was before the Ark. The encounter causes the baby John to leap with excitement, as David leapt before the Ark. And Mary stayed in the "house of Zechariah" for "three months," as the Ark remained in the "house of Obed-edom" for the same period. Mary is the vessel of God's presence, and she is queen mother. She reigns now in splendour with Jesus in the heavenly Jerusalem.

Masses, Services & Intentions

Sat	14	Memorial of St Maximillian Mary Kolbe, Priest, Martyr	10.00am	Public Mass Livestream	People of the Parish
Sat	14	SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	6.00pm	Public Mass No Livestream	Margaret Coleman Wellbeing (Anne Vaughn)
Sun	15	SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	10.00am	Public Mass Livestream	Charles W. Walker Birthday (The Craig Family)
Mon	16	Feria in Ordinary Time	12.00 noon	Public Mass Livestream	Stan Williams † First Anniversary (Mary Williams)
Tue	17	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.15am	Public Mass Livestream	People of the Parish
Wed	18	Feria in Ordinary Time Start of Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi		Private Mass	Mr & Mrs Connelly † (Johnson Association)
Thu	19	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	10:00am to 6:45pm	In Church Public	
Thu	19	Feria in Ordinary Time	7.00pm		Canonisation of Blessed Matt Talbot
Fri	20	Memorial of St Bernard, Abbot, Doctor of the Church	9.15am	Public Mass Livestream	Michael Griffin † (Andy & Liz Griffin)
Sat	21	Memorial of St Pius X, Pope	10.00am	Public Mass Livestream	People of the Parish
Sat	21	TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	Public Mass No Livestream	Peter Flanagan † (Mary Wolfe)
Sun	22	TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.00am	Public Mass Livestream	Marian Longstaff † (Liz & Chris Burger)



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MASSES AT ST JOSEPH'S HOLY MASS FROM ST JOSEPH'S is livestreamed via YouTube:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCq9QGYz7Cm_mPDRxzmT_ttow

David Bench, a seminarian who will be on placement at St Joseph's until Sun 19th Sept, has been unavoidably delayed, but will be joining us soon.

BENEMERENTI

We will welcome Bishop David Evans at Mass on Sunday 29th August where he will present Liz & Chris Burger with their Benemerenti awards for their long and outstanding service to our parish community. Mass will be followed by tea & cake with Bishop David in the McEnnis Room.

Please pray for Samuel George Atherton who will be baptised at St Joseph's on Sat 14th August.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Michael Griffin †, son of Andy and Liz Griffin, whose funeral service will take place at the Vale Crematorium on Monday 23rd August at 11am.
Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.

OPENING OF GARDEN FOR NGS CHARITIES

Rest Harrow, California Lane, Welland, WR13 6NQ. Malcolm and Anne Garner would be delighted if you could join them for their second NGS Open Garden Day on Sat 21st or Sun 22nd Aug between 2pm to 5.30pm. Light refreshments. Adm. £5pp (all for NGS). Children free. Advance booking is needed please to help manage traffic flow in the lane. Please phone 01684 310503 or email restharrow@outlook.com for information, directions and booking.

Diocesan Novena to Blessed Dominic Barberi begins Wed 18 Aug. For more info visit: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/news/diocesan-novena-for-the-canonisation-of-blessed-dominic-barberi>

Prayer of Spiritual Communion for the Year of St Joseph

Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, Son of God and Son of Mary, through the intercession of St Joseph, your earthly Guardian and guardian of the Church, unite us with the gift of your real presence, your Sacrament and Sacrifice, which feeds your Church along the path of holiness. Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR the sick & housebound of St Joseph's parish: *Clare Gray, Michael Nealon, Arthur & Irma Bevan, Anne Wiseman, Martin Burger, Raymond Bree, Nicholas Ratcliff, Jonah Willis, Anne-Marie Elder, and Jessica. We include all those in hospitals, nursing homes & their own homes. Our Lady, health of the sick, pray for them. Amen*

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

The Knitted Bible will be visiting St James Church, Badsey, Evesham between Sat 14th Aug and Sun 22nd Aug 11am to 4pm. Entry is free. Refreshments available. For more info: <https://eastvaleavon.com/the-knitted-bible>. If your knowledge of the Bible is a little woolly, this is for you!

Root & Branch Inclusive Lay-led Synod 5th - 12th Sept 2021. Key note speaker: Mary McAleese. For more info: <https://www.rootandbranchsynod.org/>

Pilgrimage to Harvington Hall, Sun 12th Sept. Mass will be at 3pm. Bring your own chair.

The Camino to COP 26 Pilgrimage will arrive in Malvern at approximately 4pm on Wed 15th Sept and depart for Worcester on Thurs 16th Sept. There will be a bring-and-share meal (and an opportunity to hear tales of the journey) at Lansdowne Methodist Hall in Lansdowne Crescent on the Wed from 7 to 9pm. For more information go to: <https://caminotocop.com/>.

First Holy Communion (FHC) Introductory Parents' Meeting will be in the Church from 6 to 7pm on Sun 19th of Sept. At least one parent from each FHC family must come. Children are welcome and activities will be provided for them. **Please return FHC registration forms to the parish office no later than Sun 5th Sept.**

EVENTS FOR ALTAR SERVERS

National Mass for the Guild of St Stephen Sat 25th Sept at 12 noon at Ss Mary and John, Snow Hill, Wolverhampton, WV2 4AD. This Mass, to which servers from across the country are invited, is in addition to our annual diocesan Mass, which takes place each spring at the Cathedral.

Proximity at Oscott College – Sat 2nd Oct 10:30am to 4:30pm. We intend this to be an annual event for altar servers of all ages. The aim is to form servers in faith as those who come close to Jesus at the altar, so that they may grow closer to him in their lives. Activities include:

- an exploration of the life of Blessed Carlo Acutis
 - Mass with the seminary community
 - testimonies from those for whom altar serving has been part of their vocational journey
 - age-appropriate workshops for junior, senior and adult servers
 - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
- The day is also a wonderful opportunity to meet other servers from across the Archdiocese. It costs just £5 to attend and the rest of the costs are subsidised by the diocese.

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Event/proximity-2021>

Edd Hogan, St Joseph's Altar Servers Organiser, already has a booking reference for this event, so if you would like to attend, please phone him on 07500 639308 to get an individual link.