

# ST JOSEPH'S PARISH NEWS

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*and registered as a charity. Number 234216*



## EIGHTH WEEK OF THE YEAR

**Week beginning Sunday 23 May 2010**

Sunday Cycle: Year C; Weekday Cycle: Year 2

### **Pentecost Sunday**

Saturday	5pm	Mass	<i>Madge Docherty</i>
	7pm	United Service (St Joseph's )	
Sunday	10am	Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i>

### **Weekday Services**

Monday	7pm	Mass	<i>Deacon Jim Rowe</i>
Tuesday	9.15am	Mass (infants: in school)	<i>Gertrude Farrell</i>
Wednesday	12pm	Mass	<i>Mary Elliott</i>
Thursday	7.30pm	The Word, Holy Communion & Adoration	
Friday	6pm	Holy Hour	
	7pm	Mass	<i>John &amp; Mary Preece</i>
Saturday	4pm	Confessions	

### **Trinity Sunday**

Saturday	5pm	Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday	10am	Mass	<i>William &amp; Mary Paget</i>

## **PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH**

O Blessed St Joseph,

Patron of the Universal Church, extend to all God's children the care you showed to the Holy Family in Nazareth

and pray for us as we gather to celebrate the Eucharist.

Guide & protect all the people of our parish and make the light of Christ shine among us so that His Kingdom may be established in our midst.

Amen.

## The Word This Week

We arrive at the fiftieth day □ the completion of the Easter Season, and the completion of the Paschal Mystery: the Lord has died, is risen, has ascended to heaven and now gives birth to his Church, by sending the Spirit upon the apostles. This feast of the gift of the Spirit is so significant for us, because it marks the handing on of Jesus' ministry to the Church □ in the Church we are guaranteed the presence of the Lord, in his sacraments, in his ministers, in the Blessed Sacrament and in his Celebrated Word. It also marks the fulfilment of our thoughts about baptism throughout this season: the gift of the Spirit which we receive in Confirmation is the 'seal' of our baptism, guaranteeing and confirm-ing all that baptism achieves.



## PRAYER INTENTIONS

**Those who have died recently:** Len Hollo-way, Sydney Breeze, Arthur Clissett, Geoff Harris, Mary Elliot, Gertrude Farrell, Sylvester Kevin Saxon, Maureen Hinbest, Peter Bishop

**Those whose anniversaries occur this week:** Rose Ralley, Jean Cecilia Walker, Patrick Burke, James O'Connor, Gertrude O'Brien, Maximilian Siniak, Augustine Grahame, William Joseph Paget, George Gerard Littler, Frederick Vincent Tams, Irene Littler, Margaret Mary Michaels

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen*

**Those preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation:** Jamie Campbell, Bradley Cantrill, Lucy Cartwright, Bethany Cunningham, Bradley Dunn, Emily Galvin, Henry Gardner, Yasmin Herd, Christopher Ilesley, Joe Ireson, Courtney Jordan, Dominique Levell, James Malley, Kay Marshall, Sam McCabe, Rosie Nugent, Niamh

Isobel Richards, Lucy Richards, Bethany Simpkins, Jessica Smith, Samuel Tapper, Darryl Worth

**The sick & housebound:** Sheila Appleton (nee Levell), Betty Bardell, Christopher Brown, Nikki Carr, Pauline & Ken Chaplain, Joan Coley, Maura Connelly, Anne Corfield, Teresa Cormican, Auriel Dalley, Fr Brendan Donlan, Janet Evans, Stuart Frost, Olga Grant, Pat Greene, Jill Gutteridge, Tracy Holland, Charlotte Hughes, Mary Hughes, Josie Kimberly, Lorraine Macbeth, Kay McCulloagh, Lily McGrath, Michael McGowan, Tracy McGregor, Amy McKeon, Anita McLean, Diare Meddings, Paul Robert Moffat, Daniel Moody, Ricardo Morcillo, Vincent Morgan, Betty Myatt, Elsie Norman, Maureen Parker, Bob Preston, Bernadette Samongie, Tony Scott, Derrick Stone, Jenny Summerfield, Linda, Andy & Bethany Sutton, Margaret Trickett, Matthew Waterfield, Thelma Waters, Roger Whitehouse, Winnie Williams, Jean Winsper, Maureen Withy, Tony Wright.

## GENERAL NOTICES

### FINANCE

**PARISH COLLECTION: £344.96**

(Gift Aid: £129.62 Loose £215.34)

### SECOND COLLECTIONS

last Sunday: Communications £277.45

this Sunday: Papal visit

next Sunday: Christian Aid

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

### CATHOLIC QUESTION TIME

*Last week's answer:* St Matthias was the Apostle who was chosen to replace Judas. *This week's question:* On what occasions can the Paschal Candle be lit outside the season of Easter?

**LIVING STONES:** Meeting in school chapel on Tuesday 18 May, 7.30pm. All welcome.

**ROSARY GROUP:** The Rosary this week will be at 7 Pool Rd, Chasetown, at 8pm. All welcome

**MAY:** During May, the Rosary will be prayed before each Mass, starting about 20 minutes before Mass begins.

**YOUTH GROUP:** (Year 6 upwards)  
Next meeting on Fri 21 May, 7.30pm

**JOURNEY IN FAITH:** The next meeting will be this Mon 24 May at 7.30pm

**MEN'S BREAKFAST:** Sat 5 June at 8.30am. Please sign the list at back of church if interested.

**CONFIRMATION:** The Archbishop is coming to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday 20 June at 12pm.

**HOLY HOUR:** There will be an Holy Hour of reparation & atonement on the Fridays of May at 6pm to pray for healing, forgiveness & renewed dedication

**ITALIAN MEAL:** Please sign list at back of church if you wish to come to this fundraising event for Cardinal Griffin. We have 20 places left. Cost £10 per person, 3 courses, bar.

**PRAYER WALKS:** There are a series of walks to pray for our town, organised by Burntwood Churches United. Begins at Chasetown Methodist church, at 9am on 19 June, 3 July, 14 Aug & 4 Sept.

**PAPAL VISIT:** There is a list at the back of church for those interested in attending the Papal Mass on Sept 9th. We don't know how many places are going to be allocated to each parish so it may be that not all those who sign up will get a place.

**SCHOOL TRANSPORT:** Staffs County Council is proposing to stop funding the transport arrangements for Catholic children. There are a number of public meetings which anybody can attend & parishioners are asked for their support in opposing this proposal

Tues 25 May: Keele Conference Centre  
7.00pm-8.30pm

Tues 8 June: King Edward VI Leisure Centre, Lichfield: 5.00pm-6.30pm  
7.00pm-8.30pm

Thurs 10 June: Burton Albion Football Club: 7.00pm-8.30pm



## YEAR FOR PRIESTS

Please pray for the following priests of  
the diocese:

Mgr Paul Watson, Fr Peter Weatherby,  
Fr Brian Whatmore,  
Fr Edmund Whelan, Fr Paul Whieldon,  
Fr Michael White, Mgr Anthony Wilcox



## PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Heavenly Father, grant that our priests be strengthened and healed by the power of the Eucharist they celebrate. May the Word they proclaim give them courage and wisdom. We pray that all those whom they seek to serve may see in them the love and care of Jesus, our Eternal High Priest, who is Lord for ever and ever. Amen.

## PARISH GROUPS

**Rosary Group:** Mondays at 8pm

**Women's Christian Union:** Thursdays at 9.15am

**SVP:** meets alternate Wednesdays at 2.30pm.

**CAFOD group:** meets monthly

**Choir:** 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7.45pm

**Music Group:** contact Julie Train

**Guild of St Stephen (altar servers):** last Sat of the month at 9am

**Play Group & Nursery:** contact Ann King on 671356

**Living Stones Prayer Group:** meets alternate Tuesdays at 7.30pm

**Youth Club:** 1st Friday of the month at 7.30pm

**Diners' Club:** meets monthly

**Men's Breakfast:** 1st Saturday of the month 8.30am

## PARISH INFORMATION

**Parish Office:** Pat Greene & Maureen Barnes, office hours: Weds & Fri 10am-3pm

**Gift Aid Organiser:** Angela Thompson

**Child Protection:** Pauline Larner

**Parish Magazine:** Margaret Taylor

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Sat 4pm or by appointment

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Sunday 11.30am

**Sacrament Marriage:** By Appointment

**Adoration:** Thursdays 8—8.30pm & as announced

## SUNDAY MASS TIMES IN NEIGHBOURING PARISHES

**Brownhills** St Bernadette: Sat 6.30pm, Sun 10am

**Cannock** SS Mary & Thomas More: Sat 6.15pm, Sun 8am, 10.30am

**Hednesford** Our Lady of Lourdes: Sun 9.30am, 5.30pm

**Lichfield** Holy Cross: Sun 8.30am, SS Peter & Paul Sat 6pm, Sun 11am

**Rugeley** SS Joseph & Etheldreda: Sat 7pm, Sun 11am, 6.30pm