

St Joseph's Catholic Church



1 Montem Road, New Malden, Surrey KT3 3QW catholicnewmalden.org 020 8942 2602 Sunday 25th April 2021 GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY Fourth Sunday of Easter (B)

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

(Sat.) 6.00pm Vigil Mass 9.30am Mass 11.30am Solemn Mass 5.30pm Mass

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 26th *** 10am Mass

Easter Feria

Tuesday 27th 10am Mass

Lenten Feria

Wednesday 28th 10am Mass Easter Feria, or St Peter Chanel, Priest & M, or St Louis Grignion de Montfort, Pr

Thursday 29th 10am Mass St Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church, Patron of Europe (*Feast*) *

Friday 30th *** **10am** Mass Easter Feria, or St Pius V, Pope

Saturday 1st May 10am Mass Easter Feria, or ST JOSEPH THE WORKER *

Day of Prayer for God's Blessing on Human Work

*** Live-streamed Mass Only

READINGS AT MASS

Sundays Year B; Weekdays cycle 1

This Sun: Acts 4:8-12; 1 John 3:1-2; John 10:11-18

M. Acts 11:1-18; John 10:1-10

T. Acts 11:19-26; John 10:22-30

W. 12:24 - 13:5; John 12:44-50

T. 1 John 1:5 - 2:2; Matthew 11:25-30 *

F. Acts 13:26-33; John 14:1-6

S. Acts 13:44-52; Matthew 13:54-58 *

Next Sun: Acts 9:26-31;

1 John 3:18-24; John 15:1-8

Fifth Sunday of Easter (B)

COLLECTIONS last weekend:
Gift Aid Standing Orders £ 1,164
+Gift Aid weekly envelopes £ 283
+Cash £180 + Card £160
Parish total £ 1,787.10

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD & RELIGIOUS LIFE

IS GOD CALLING YOU? God has a definite plan and purpose for all of our lives and some men receive a unique call to be a Catholic priest or deacon. Their purpose to is to bring people to God



and God to his people and to share the peace, forgiveness and love of Jesus with all. This is not just a calling to serve, but also a personal beckoning from God to evolve into the person that he has always intended you to be, with all your unique skills, gifts, interests and characteristics.

Catholic Priests forgo a relationship with one person in order to be a spiritual father to many and through Mass, the sacraments, preaching and prayer, they become living witnesses to Jesus and bring His light into the world for all people. **Deacons** are called to have particular care for the poor and for social justice, often leading on parish initiatives to serve those in need. They may preach at Mass, baptise and officiate at weddings. In addition they may also distribute Holy Communion, visit the sick and lead in the catechetical and pastoral life of the parish, for example by supporting prayer or gospel study groups. (*Read more on our Diocesan Vocations page*). *More on Vocations overleaf*.

As members of the Church, we are encouraged to pray earnestly for an increase in priestly and religious vocations. This week we take up the second collection in support of the Priest Training Fund, which pays for the formation of Southwark Seminarians and Deacons and the good work of our vocations team. Your gifts will support 7 men currently in formation to the Priesthood for our Diocese. There are envelopes available at the back of church, which can be used to Gift Aid your donation. You can also donate online via www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/vocations.htm, or by calling 020 7960 2504 (office hours Mon - Fri). Thank you for your prayers and generosity.

MASS INTENTIONS: Sun (Sat) 6pm 6pm Joan Hill RIP; 9.30 Silvano Pellizzon RIP; 11.30 Mary Katherine Campbell RIP; 5.30 Wellbeing of Matthew Cruickshank; People of the Parish; Mon. 10. Teresa Wright RIP; Tue. 10. Michael John Taylor RIP; Wed. 10. Sarah Gourlay RIP; Thurs. 10. Alexander & Muriel Hume RIP; Mrs Lois Mathieson RIP; Fri. 10. Roberto Fernandes RIP; Sat. 10. Edith Edwards RIP; Joan Hill RIP; Next Sun (Sat) 6pm Ancestors of the Fernandes Family RIP; 9.30 Francisco McGrath 's Birthday; 11.30 Elizabeth Quarmby RIP; 5.30 Martin Thornton RIP; People of the Parish. Please see back for updates re Mass Intentions and how they can be requested.

SHRINE LAMPS: Sacred Heart: Roberts' Family Intentions; St Joseph: Rachael Ward RIP & Ward Family Intentions St Therese / St John Fisher: Joan Hill RIP; Ann Lambe's Wellbeing; St Pius X: Joan Hale & Rita O'Connell; St Thomas More / St Anthony: Well-being of Matthew Cruickshank & Family

**LIVE STREAMING OF MASSES FROM ST JOSEPH'S

Although we now have Masses back physically in church, we will still be live-streaming a daily Mass, for those who cannot be in church.

Streamed Masses will be the 10am Mass from Mon - Sat, and the Sun 11.30am Mass. https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCETxMGsRd]1GdpsZmaxlFGO

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The PARISH OFFICE can be contacted via the email address above or by calling 07488 241753 between 10am ~ 1pm

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Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for the 2021 World Day of Vocations

On the Feast of St Joseph, 19 March, Pope Francis released his message for the World Day of Prayer for Vocations, and urges all religious and clergy to look to our own St. Joseph as a model of unreserved fidelity to God's invitation to service the Dream of Vocation. He starts by reminding us that this year has been dedicated as a special year devoted to St Joseph, on the 150th anniversary of the declaration of our dear Patron Saint as Patron of the universal Church.

Pope Francis writes of St Joseph: 'He did not do astonishing things, he had no unique charisms, nor did he appear special in the eyes of those who met him. He was not famous or even noteworthy: the Gospels do not report even a single word of his. Still, through his ordinary life, he accomplished something extraordinary in the eyes of God.

'God looks on the heart (cf. 1 Sam 16:7), and in Saint Joseph he recognised the heart of a father, able to give and generate life in the midst of daily routines. Vocations have this same goal: to beget and renew lives every day. The Lord desires to shape the hearts of fathers and mothers: hearts that are open, capable of great initiatives, generous in self-giving, compassionate in comforting anxieties and steadfast in strengthening hopes. The priesthood and the consecrated life greatly need these qualities nowadays, in times marked by fragility but also by the sufferings due to the pandemic, which has spawned uncertainties and fears about the future and the very meaning of life. Saint Joseph comes to meet us in his gentle way, as one of "the saints next door". At the same time, his strong witness can guide us on the journey.

His Holiness continues by saying that St Joseph suggest three key words to us for each individual's vocation: The first is 'dream'; the second 'service'; and the third 'fidelity'. The Pope's message gives us examples of these three characteristics shown by St Joseph through his earthly life as Spouse to Mary and Father to Jesus, and tells us how Joseph's dreams led him to experiences he would never have imagined - from the invitation to be the father of the Messiah, to fleeing to Egypt, saving his family in the process, his subsequent return and eventual settling in Nazareth. Joseph lived entirely for others by freeing love from all possessiveness and becoming open to an even more fruitful service. Joseph showed true fidelity by trusting in God's faithfulness and not being afraid to be true to the mission entrusted to him by God. 'May St Joseph, protector of vocations, accompany you with his fatherly heart!'. Click here for Pope Francis' full message.

Prayer for Vocations; Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests; help them to be strong in their vocation and become instruments of your love and grace.

Send your Holy Spirit to give courage and guidance to all those you are calling to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life in our Archdiocese. May those called hear your voice and respond wholeheartedly to become the person you created them to be. Heavenly Father, form us all in the likeness of your Son, Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd, so that we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully. We ask this through Christ Your Son, the Eternal High Priest, Amen.

STEWARDING UPDATE Thank you to all those who have kindly volunteered to act as stewards, so that we can safely re-open the church for you all for the 10am Mass on Mondays and Fridays, which at this point are being live-streamed only. We are almost there and will have more news next week.

BAPTISMS are now restarting at St Joseph's, in line with government and diocesan guidelines. Please email the Parish Office to go on the list for an appointment with Fr Uche to discuss the process.

Joan Hill RIP - Joan's Funeral will be live-streamed from St Joseph's this Tuesday 27th April @ 11.30am - click here.

Rachael Ward RIP - Rachael's funeral will take place over 2 days at St Peter's Church in Winchester on Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th April. Click here for dates, times and info re livestream link.

All funerals are at present by invitation only due to the greatly reduced numbers allowed to attend in person.

MASS INTENTIONS

Now that, thanks be to God, the situation is improving and we have more people in church, we see the return of Mass Intention & Shrine Lamp Intention envelopes at the back of church. Parishioners who are able to attend Mass physically are requested to start using them again as in the past. They will be seen and dealt with weekly. Mass Intentions need to be sent in at least a month in advance and only very urgent requests will be accepted once the monthly Mass Intention sheet has been published. There can only be ONE intention per Mass unless there are exceptional circumstances.

VOLUNTEER CHAPLAINS AT KINGSTON HOSPITAL

Are you able to give some time on a Sunday or mid-week to help spread the love of Jesus? There are patients in hospital who are often lonely and to whom receiving Holy Communion would make a huge impact to their life. As a volunteer chaplain at Kingston Hospital you can really make a difference and each exchange with each patient is rewarding and special. If you are interested please email the Parish Office or call 07488 241753.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

I have come that they may have life and have it to the full (John 10:10)

The Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis and the Southwark Archdiocese Catholic Charismatic Team are delighted to offer a wonderful opportunity for personal and diocesan renewal. Through the Life in the Spirit Seminars you will be invited to grow in your love of the Lord, welcome the Spirit into your life afresh and pray for the renewal of our diocese.



Each Tuesday evening seminar will feature a talk from a gifted speaker and small group sharing.

On Saturday 22 May, in addition to the Tuesday evenings, the series will feature a double-bill of seminars (a separate link will be emailed to all registrants for this special day). and Catechesis and the Southwark Archdiocese Catholic Charismatic Team are delighted to offer a wonderful opportunity for personal and diocesan renewal. Through the Life in the Spirit Seminars you will be invited to grow in your love of the Lord, welcome the Spirit into your life afresh and pray for the renewal of our diocese.

Book a place on this Spirit- filled course in preparation for Pentecost. It is a life changing experience releasing more of the Holy Spirit within you.

This seminar is highly recommended and comes with the endorsement of Archbishop John Wilson, who is also one of the speakers.

Click on the link below or visit our website to book a place and for dates and info re speakers, topics, etc: https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/liss.

THE SVP IS HERE FOR YOU

The St. Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) at St. Joseph's is part of an international Catholic organisation working through small groups in parishes across the world. We aim to provide practical help and friendship wherever it is needed for people of all faiths and none. The COVID virus has made life harder for everyone, especially for those living alone. When you don't know who to turn to, SVP members can provide help in various ways, such as:

Shopping for the housebound or those who need to isolate; Telephone befriending – regular calls to have a chat; Telephone reading service – your favourite books or poetry read to you over the phone; Transport for hospital appointments; Delivering the church newsletter to your home

If you or someone you know in New Malden would welcome some assistance from the SVP, please let us know by telephoning **07507 241518** or via St Joseph's Parish office: 1 Montem Road New Malden KT3 3QW Tel. **07488 241753** or **020 8942 2602.** (We can also be reached by email to sypnewmalden@gmail.com)

All our members have been police checked and help is provided to people of all faiths and none.

If you do not wish to receive information to your home from St. Joseph's Church please advise the parish office.

POPE FRANCIS DECLARES YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

In a new Apostolic Letter entitled Patris Corde ('With a Father's Heart'), Pope Francis has proclaimed a special 'Year of St Joseph' which began on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception 2020 and extends to the feast in 2021. The Letter marks the 150th anniversary of Blessed Pope Pius IX's declaration of St Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. The Holy Father wrote 'Patris Corde' against the backdrop of the Covid-19 pandemic, which, he says, has helped us see more clearly the importance of "ordinary" people who,



though far from the limelight, exercise patience and offer hope every day. In this, they resemble Saint Joseph, "the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence," who nonetheless played "an incomparable role in the history of salvation." Please click on this link for more: and http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_letters/documents/papa-francesco-lettera-ap_20201208_patris-corde.html. **

New Diocesan Paypal Account

Please access <u>our new donation page here</u>, from our website or this QR Code When you donate you will be given an option to add a note, so please state there what the <u>donation is for, eg. church donation</u>, Mass Intention, Christmas Offering etc. Please email <u>agnesvella@rcaos.org.uk</u> or call 07488 241753 if you have any queries. Many thanks.

