



The Catholic Parish
of Bishop's Stortford

the CARPENTER

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The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

3 July 2022

Our priests are:

Fr Peter Harris (*Parish Priest*)

Fr Antonio Pineda (*Asst Priest*)

PRAY FOR UKRAINE



Would you like to become a Reader
or a Eucharistic Minister?

Starting from Sunday 10 July we are
pleased to announce that we shall
be re starting our Reader and
Eucharistic Minister rota at St
Joseph's

We have now contacted everyone
who previously expressed an
interest post lockdown to continue
in this important ministry seeking
their availability over the next 3
months.

If you are ready to return, and have
not been contacted, or if you are
new and would like to take on this
ministry, please contact the parish
office ASAP.

Come and join us at
St Joseph's for EXPOSITION of the
Blessed Sacrament and take the



opportunity to
celebrate the
Sacrament of
RECONCILIATION
each Saturday
with one of our
priests
between
3pm and 4pm

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FR ANTONIO— will be away from the parish next week for 5 days. There will be **NO MASS**
at St Joseph's on Thursday 7 or Friday 8 July.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS—the Children of our parish who shall
be receiving the sacrament of their First Holy Communion this weekend. Thank you to Fr
Peter, Fr Antonio, Sophie and our amazing team of Catechists and parents who have
supported them, as well as everyone who has helped to make the day a very special one,
including our flower arrangers, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers and Musicians.

REFRESHMENT VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP SHEET— There is a sign-up sheet in the Sacristy with
dates until the end of the year to volunteer to help with refreshments after Sunday Mass
at St Joseph's. If there is no one to assist, unfortunately there will be some weeks with no
refreshments on offer. Please help where you can. Thank you very much.

THE CATENIANS— would like to thank everyone for listening to their talk after Mass
recently. They had some lovely and encouraging conversations with members of the
parish and have received a great deal of interest as well as welcoming three new
members. Please get in touch if you would like to know more, and if you missed the talk,
please visit the Catenians page on the parish website page: <https://rcstortford.org.uk/catenians>

CAN YOU HELP?— Katie and Alex Murray will be running the London Marathon to raise
funds for the Royal Marsden hospital in memory of much loved parishioner Delia Doyle
RIP. Visit <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/katie-and-alex-murray>

GARDENING AT MOST HOLY REDEEMER— Some of our Confirmation young people have
been working hard this year to tend the green space around St Joseph's Church and hope
to spend time on Saturday 9 July 2022 between 10am—1pm tending the grounds of Most
Holy Redeemer, Sayesbury Road in Sawbridgeworth (CM21 0ED) For this one-off session
we do need some extra help. We plan to:

- 1) clear the side of the church by the fire exit door (2/3 adults with strimmers)
- 2) weed the stone beds each side of the entrance door (fork & trowel; secateurs, kneeler
pad; gloves) and weed the larger stone patch to the RHS of the church.

Large pots & compost will be provided; (contributions of summer plants & greenery to
plant in the pots, e.g. begonias, geraniums, something cheery from your own garden,
would be much appreciated! Each volunteer will need to bring 2 rubbish sacks & their
own tools. Garden refuse will be collected at a later date. Please contact Yvonne at
candyfordyce40@yahoo.co.uk if you would like to take part for all or even part of the
morning; or have anything to donate to the cause. Thank you.

FOUND PROPERTY AT ST JOSEPH'S—at the back of the church—please do take a look!

Please remember to complete a Parish Census Form for your household— Thank you very much!

OR preferably you can do it online via our website, it only takes a few minutes..

www.rcstortford.org.uk/register

CALLING MHR PARISHIONERS...

*Community Connection day in Sawbridgeworth
on 30 September/1 October.*

We have been invited by Sawbridgeworth Town Council
to a networking initiative to support all residents,
current and new alongside partners and group
representatives for churches, charities, housing
associations, & other agencies. There will be small tables
and chairs for people to use to set out leaflets or display
materials and engage with the visitors. If you would like
to be involved please contact the parish office.

Save the date....



A BYO PARISH PICNIC

Sunday 10 July 2022

after the 11am Mass

A chance to gather together in
the Monastery gardens and enjoy
a summer picnic & drinks

Sunshine 'hopefully' guaranteed!