



The Catholic Parish
of Bishop's Stortford

the CARPENTER

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Parish Office: Monday—Friday 9am to 3pm—Administrator, Mrs Debbie Jackson

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The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

17 July 2022

Our priests are:

Fr Peter Harris (*Parish Priest*)

Fr Antonio Pineda (*Asst Priest*)

PRAY FOR UKRAINE



THANK YOU VERY MUCH TO

our Confirmation candidates Amy, Carmella, Eloise, Gerard, Louise & their Mums, along with Sophie and Yvonne and everyone who worked

tirelessly in the heat at

Most Holy Redeemer

last Saturday, weeding the grounds and planting pots.

You did a great job!

Please would any local MHR Parishioners kindly just check that the plants have enough water, if passing the Church and when at Mass. Thank you

SPONSORED BIKE'N HIKE

Saturday 10 September 9am-5pm
www.bedshertsct.org.uk



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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RCIA—Do you have questions about the Catholic faith? Maybe a deeper desire to connect with God has been growing within you? Maybe something has prompted you feel the need to look again at life's purpose and meaning.

Are you new or a visitor to the parish, but are not a member of the Catholic Church and would like to find out more about what we believe?

Maybe you are from another denomination within the Christian Family, but have questions about Catholicism? or maybe you know someone who does?

Or maybe you have been baptised a Catholic, but have lapsed and would like to understand the faith better or re-commit to your faith by preparing for the Sacrament of confirmation?

Whatever the case, did you know that there are people within the parish who are dedicated to helping you to explore life's big questions? Everyone's journey to faith is very different, but we can assist you to find the right path. The RCIA is a programme aimed at helping you on this journey and begins again in September. Please contact Sophie Sullivan, our Catechetical Coordinator, via email for an informal chat –

bstortfordcatechist@rcdow.org.uk or ring the parish office on 01279 654063

YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS (YCA) WEEKEND—During the weekend of the 7-9 October

2022, Young Catholic Adults will be running a retreat at Douai Abbey with the Schola Gregoriana of Cambridge who will be holding Gregorian Chant workshops. There will also be a Marian Procession, Rosaries, Sung Masses, Confession, talks (and socials).

Prices start from £12 (come for the day) and £55 per person per night (residential). Book soon as places are limited! Please note to guarantee your place Douai Abbey has requested that everyone books in 3 weeks before the start of the weekend (16 September 2022). For More information: www.youngcatholicadults.co.uk.

TALK ON WALSINGHAM— Edmund Matyjeszek will be giving a talk on Walsingham in St Augustine's Church, High Street, Hoddesdon on 19 July at 7pm. All are welcome and refreshments will be served afterwards.

TOWN CAR PARK CHARGES ON A SUNDAY— From 'Churches Together' - East Herts Council are 'proposing' to charge full parking rates for all Bishop's Stortford car parks every day including Sunday. As well as this, parking charges will generally start at 7:30am and not finish until 8pm This could have a serious impact on all the town centre churches but will also have an adverse effect on restaurants, coffee shops and all other traders, who are already struggling. It will need a significant level of protest to get this changed and there is not long to respond. Objections need to be sent in writing or by e-mail by the 5 August. The e-mail address is dominique.kingsbury@eastherts.gov.uk.

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.

ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL CHESHUNT

50TH ANNIVERSARY

Wednesday 28 September 2022 with a special Mass celebrated by Bishop Paul followed by a picnic lunch. Past and present pupils, families and friends of the school are welcome.

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