



The Catholic Parish
of Bishop's Stortford

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Our priests are:

Fr Peter Harris (*Parish Priest*)
Fr Antonio Pineda (*Asst Priest*)

PRAY FOR UKRAINE



ST BERNADETTE RELIC TOUR 2022

1 September–1 November

The relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage to England, Scotland and Wales for the very first time.

This very special once in a lifetime event will provide an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes, in a church or cathedral near them.

Individuals and groups are invited to register their attendance on the Relic tour website
stbernadette.org.uk/thetour/

"Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us!"

"Saint Bernadette, pray for us!"

"O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee!"

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

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the CARPENTER

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

Catechetical Co-ordinator— Mrs Sophie Sullivan

The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

31 July 2022

BON VOYAGE—We keep Fr Antonio in our thoughts and prayers as he embarks on his annual break next week.

HELP NEEDED!—We are looking for a registered Nurse and two helpers (able to push a wheelchair) to join us on our parish pilgrimage to Lourdes with Across (October 6-15). There is a subsidy available for nurses and the cost for helpers is £950 which includes travel on the Jumbulance, full board in a four star hotel, daily Mass, time at the Grotto, the baths, torchlight procession, walking tour of Lourdes and a day trip to the Pyrenees. Please contact John Wright on 07739 789169 for more info.

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.

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.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND—After the time of the pandemic, the pilgrimage planned in 2020 is now going to take place on 4-11 May 2023, led by Fr. Carlos. Places are now available, but are first come, first serve, as bookings and deposits are needed as soon as possible. For more information, please contact Fr. Carlos at carlosquito@rcdow.org.uk

HERTFORDSHIRE MIND NETWORK REACH OUT—If you are aged between 10-17 or a parent/ caregiver of a 10-17 year old, message or call to get support with any issues affecting your wellbeing. Instant message at www.hertfordshiremindcyp.org or call 01923 256391 (option 2) Monday—Thursday 5pm—8pm

THANK YOU—to everyone who contributed to the Stella Maris collection £218.50 was raised.

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

**NO MASS DURING AUGUST
AT HOLY CROSS OR**

MOST HOLY REDEEMER

As in previous years, during the month of August regrettably there will be NO MASS celebrated at Holy Cross or Most Holy Redeemer due to Fr Peter and Fr Antonio's annual leave and the lack of available Supply Priests. The last Mass to be celebrated will be Sunday 31 July and the next Mass Sunday 4 September. Mass will continue to be celebrated at St Joseph's.

**WORLD YOUTH DAY PILGRIMAGE
2023 TO LISBON.**

WYM is offering leadership and formation to a limited number of young people who will receive a 50% discount off the cost of the pilgrimage. Each application will need to be supported by a chaplain or priest who can recommend and support the applicant.

<https://tinyurl.com/2esuxr68>