



The Catholic Parish  
of Bishop's Stortford

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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

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 October 2022

## 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/](http://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  
3pm and 4pm

**CONTACTLESS QR code**  
↓ PARISH OFFERINGS ↓



**GIFT AID IT!**— Donations for Mass intentions, Baptism, Weddings and First Holy Communion etc can all be Gift Aided if you are a UK taxpayer. For every £1 donated 25p can be claimed back. Please see our blue Gift Aid envelopes at the back of the church.

**ANNUAL MASS COUNT**—This weekend is the third Diocesan Annual Mass count.

**DIOCESE OF WESTMINSTER YOUTH EVENT 'THE BIG SUMMIT'**— Friday 21 October 2022 6pm-8.30pm at Westminster Cathedral for an evening of prayer, Adoration and guest speakers to explore the theme, 'Mary arose and went with haste'. There will be music by One Hope Project, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, guided meditation and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Visit <https://dowym.com/events/the-big-summit/>

**ZAMKNIT** - Tuesday, 4 October 2-4pm in the Most Holy Redeemer Extension. All welcome

**SPONSORSHIP**— David Richardson will be doing a 1.5 K sponsored swim for Alzheimer's Society at Grange Paddocks Leisure Centre on Tuesday 8 November 2022 at 11am

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/iamorganisingmyownswim2022-davidrichardson>  
**CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY TO LONDON'S UNIVERSITIES** —Are you a student at one of the universities or colleges in London, or in Hatfield? The Catholic Chaplaincy is for you! It's based at Newman House, 111 Gower Street, WC1E 6AR. They have Sunday Masses for students and regular events during the week with campus-based Catholic societies and activities. Go to: [www.universitycatholic.net](http://www.universitycatholic.net) to find out more.

**OFFICE CLOSURE**—Debbie will be going on her 'summer holiday' from Wednesday 5 October—Monday 17 October inclusive. Please contact Fr Peter or Fr Antonio if your enquiry is urgent. All non-urgent enquiries will be dealt with upon her return.

**ACROSS PILGRIMAGE**— Please keep in your thoughts and prayers all those from our parish who will be travelling to Lourdes next week.

**OPEN MORNING** — at The Christian School (Takeley) is on Saturday 15 October from 10am-1pm. This school is particularly suited to pupils aged 7-16 who thrive in a small, nurturing setting.

**FREE BIKE MARKING**— at Grange Paddocks Leisure Centre on Monday 3 October from 6.30pm. Come along and get your bike marked and receive security advice.

**CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY**— Friday 7 October - [www.cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/Family-Fast-Day](http://www.cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/Family-Fast-Day).

**CELEBRATING 45 YEARS OF CARITAS ST JOSEPH'S** — supporting those with intellectual disabilities at the lifelong learning centre in Hendon, and in our communities. Mass of Celebration at Westminster Cathedral Saturday 8 October at 2pm, followed by refreshments. Email Gail Williams [gailwilliams@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:gailwilliams@rcdow.org.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..

## STAY SAFE, STAY WARM

Stay safe and warm this winter with FREE of charge electric blanket and portable heater testing run by Hertfordshire County Council Trading Standards and Fire & Rescue Services.

Testing will take place on Monday 17 October 2022 at Bishop's Stortford Library, The Causeway, CM23 2EJ 10am—5pm

To book a slot for testing please call 01707 292429.  
You can also attend without an appointment on a first come first served basis

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING

Saturday 8 October 2022

10am—12pm

Fr Antonio will be hosting Eucharistic Minister training in the Windhill Churches Centre for those parishioners who are interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister on Saturday 8 October 2022 10am—12pm. Please do let Father know if you will be attending.