



The Catholic Parish
of Bishop's Stortford

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The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7 July 2024

Our priests are:

Fr Peter Harris (*Parish Priest*)
Fr Marco Lazzaron (*Asst Priest*)



ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Come and join us at St Joseph and the English Martyrs Church for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and celebrate the sacrament of Reconciliation each Saturday, 3:00 to 4:00 pm.



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Tel: 0800 448 0704



WELCOME & THANK YOU TO FR AIDAN ROSSITER CJ

who kindly joins us this weekend to celebrate Mass at St Joseph's whilst Fr Marco is on a short break. Fr Aidan is from St. Louis de Montfort parish in California,

A DAY WITH MARY AT WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL

Saturday 13 July 9.45am to 5.00pm More info is available at www.adaywithmary.org or www.eventcatholic.com/

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FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025— Application forms for registration to our Parish First Holy Communion programme 2025 for children who will be 8 years old or older on or before 31 August 2025 and who live in the parish are now available for collection at Mass in the Sacristy. Parents/ Carers are requested to sign that they have collected a form. Completed forms with a copy of a Baptism certificate (unless baptised within the parish) **must** be submitted to 3 Windhill, **before Monday 5 August 2024**. Late entries will not be accepted.

YOUTH NIGHT—Please join us for the final youth night of this academic year on Friday 12 July 2024 in the parish hall, starting at 6.30pm until around 8.30pm. This month is a "praise and pizza" evening, with music and time to praise God led by our wonderful 9am musicians, followed by pizza and some social time afterwards. Families are invited to join us and our young people, so the more, the merrier. It would be very helpful to get an indication of numbers, so we can prep the space and order enough pizza! If you and your family intend to come, please do email or call Sophie at: bstortfordcatechist@rcdow.org.uk or on her work mobile: 07946 515181. To cover the cost of pizza, we would suggest a donation per person of £5 and up to £20 for a whole family, but please give what you can afford, as we would not wish lack of finances to be a barrier.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY ISLAND OF LINDISFARNE— with CAFOD 13 July 2024 in partnership with the Archbishop Romero Trust - Pilgrimage to the Holy Island of Lindisfarne. 10.00am Coaches meet at Purdy Lodge cafe on A1. For more information and to book your place, please contact: Carol Cross: 07779 804253, ccross@cafod.org.uk or Rachel Blaylock: 07779 804243. <https://cafod.org.uk/news/events/holy-island-pilgrimage>

SEA SUNDAY 2024— Second collection 13/14 July. The Church prays for all seafarers and fishers who play a vital role, working often in difficult, hazardous conditions. Donation envelopes are available at the back of the church and your support will make a big difference to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work. Visit www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate for more info or text 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5.

ADVANCED NOTICE—SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2024/25—If you will be in Year 10 or above from September 2024 and would like to prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, application forms will be available in person from the Sacristy after weekend Mass **from Saturday 13 July 2024**. The completed form should be addressed to Fr Peter and posted into Number 3 Windhill **before** Friday 6 September 2024 — no late applications will be considered. You should live within the parish boundaries (Bishop's Stortford, Much Hadham and Sawbridgeworth) to apply. Anyone living elsewhere should contact their local Catholic church and request to join their preparation programme. Along with your paper application form, please also email Sophie Sullivan at: bstortfordcatechist@rcdow.org.uk, so that she can send you further details. The first meeting will take place the week commencing 14 October 2024, with the programme starting November 2024 through to July 2025

ZAMKNIT & CHAT— Most Holy Redeemer on Tuesday 9 July 2024 2-4pm. All are very welcome to attend.



PARISH BBQ—SAVE THE DATE

The Parish BBQ this year is on Sunday 8 September. Please save the date. A great event on the Monastery gardens behind St Joseph's church, to meet other parishioners and enjoy a pims or two. Further information to follow.

If you are able to help sell tickets after Mass prior to the event or can help the day before or on the day, please contact Debbie Hourihan on 07847 714781.