



The Catholic Parish
of Bishop's Stortford

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+St Peter and St Paul

28 June 2026

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.

FR PETER'S RETIREMENT WEEK-END HOG ROAST & TEA PARTY 11 & 12 JULY

FINAL CALL FOR TICKETS!

So that we can know the final numbers for catering purposes the last tickets available will be 30 June (if not sold out already). There will be a large marquee in the Monastery garden for both events.

Tickets are via the parish office, on the events page on the website, or via Debbie Hourihan 07847714781

PAYMENT— This can be in cash, cheque, BACS and also by using our DONA machine which is available on our website and in St Joseph's church. There is no facility to order a ticket on the DONA machine. It is just for payment only please.

Tickets can be collected from the Sacristy where they will be in a named envelope once paid for.



WELCOME BACK & THANK YOU— to Fr Royston Price CSsR who celebrates Mass at Holy Cross and Most Holy Redeemer this weekend whilst Fr Peter is away for a few days

ADVANCED NOTICE— FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2027. Application forms for children who wish to make their First Holy Communion in 2027 will be available at Mass from the weekend of 4/5 July onwards. Further information to follow..

BISHOP'S STORTFORD GOSPEL CHOIR— Summer Serenade Concert. Sunday 5 July 6pm at the Charis Centre. Tickets £10/ £7. Proceeds to the Food Bank. An evening of music and fun, tea and cake!

SOUL FOOD MONDAY - Our final Soul Food Monday of the academic year takes place on Monday 13 July, when we will be welcoming outside speaker Hazel Mathias for an engaging evening on the Temperaments—the God-given inner wiring that shapes how we think, communicate, respond under pressure, and even our spiritual strengths and weaknesses. Discover how understanding your temperament can improve relationships and deepen spiritual growth. The evening includes a quiz to help you uncover your temperament, so please bring your mobile phone or device with internet connectivity. This is an evening for everyone, but engaged or married couples might find it particularly insightful! So do consider coming along, even if you haven't been to Soul Food before. It should be a great evening of discovery and it would be lovely to give our guest a warm welcome! Soul Food starts at 7.30pm in the parish centre (with refreshments from 7.15pm). Bring a friend!

CALL FOR SCONES!!— Are you a cake maker? Would you like to help by baking or donating a small quantity of shop bought scones (fruit and plain) for Fr Peter's tea party on 12 July. If so please contact the parish office to advise. Any other shop bought cakes would also be very gratefully received. At the time of writing we are expecting 177 adults at the tea party, so any additional cakes to add to the table would be much appreciated.

OPPORTUNITY TO BECOME A FOUNDATION GOVERNOR AT ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL—We are looking to recruit new governors at St Joseph's Catholic Primary School. This is a really exciting time to join our school family and make a positive difference to the community. If you would like more information, please contact Ann Cassidy-Jones, headteacher, via admin@stjosephs207.herts.sch.uk

'From all my terrors the Lord set me free'

IMPORTANT - ARE YOU A VOLUNTEER IN OUR PARISH?

The Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency (CSSA) have made Level 3 Safeguard training mandatory for all Clergy, staff, and **Volunteers** regardless of their role within a parish and whether or not they have a DBS. **Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility!**

Volunteers can access the Level 3 training free of charge by following this link

<https://training.catholicsafeguarding.org.uk> The online training does not have to be done in one sitting as progress will be saved. When you are logging in, please be sure to add 'Diocese of Westminster' and your 'volunteer role' for our records.

We ask that when volunteers have completed the CSSA level 3 module please let your Parish administrator know your name, your volunteer role and the date you completed the Level 3 training module so that parish safeguard training record can be updated. Parish training records throughout the Diocese will be subject to a CSSA safeguarding audit and review so your assistance and commitment to completing the training is very much appreciated. **Thank you very much to everyone for their response so far!**

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