



**St. Joseph's, Warndon &  
Holy Redeemer, Pershore**  
**Parish Newsletter - 11<sup>th</sup> May 2024**



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**7<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER**



	11 <sup>th</sup> Sat. May Vigil	4:00 pm	Holy Redeemer	Bernadette Jones's Intention [80 <sup>th</sup> Birthday]
		6:00 pm	St. Joseph	People of our Parishes
	12 <sup>th</sup> Sun. May	9:00 am	Holy Redeemer	Fr Joseph. R.I.P.
		11:00 am	St. Joseph	Natasha & Lee Price Wedding Anniversary
Mon. 13 <sup>th</sup> May.	10:00 am	Holy Redeemer	Vincent and Rajathi. R.I.P.	
Tue. 14 <sup>th</sup> May.	9:00 am	St. Joseph	Chitra. R.I.P.	
Wed. 15 <sup>th</sup> May.	10:00 am	Holy Redeemer	No Mass	
	11:30 am		Requiem Mass for Michael Lee	
Thur. 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Private Mass			
Fri. 17 <sup>th</sup> May	9:30 am	Holy Redeemer	Adoration	
	10:00 am		Elizabeth Stanyer. R.I.P.	
	5:45 pm	St. Joseph	Adoration	
	6:15 pm		Iris Gowdy. R.I.P. Divine Mercy Chaplet	

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**



	18 <sup>th</sup> Sat. May Vigil	4:00 pm	Holy Redeemer	David Fallon. R.I.P. [A] By Ann Fallon
		6:00 pm	St. Joseph	Rev Fr Jaya rai. R.I.P. [A]
	19 <sup>th</sup> Sun. May	9:00 am	Holy Redeemer	John Crompton. R.I.P. [A] By Bridget Crompton.
		11:00 am	St. Joseph	People of our Parishes.

<b>TODAY'S MASS (B)</b>	Order of Mass	Profession of Faith	Preface	Eucharistic Prayer	Communion Rite
7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter 277	7	11/12	74 - 75	24	56

**Confessions - Holy Redeemer and St. Joseph's:** Confessions are being heard before Holy Mass on Fridays and Saturdays.

**Holy Communion can be brought to the Sick and Housebound** on the First Friday of the month. Please contact Fr Amal or Deacon Kevin.

**A Prayer For Those Affected By Conflict:** God of refuge, the rock in whom we trust, watch over our sisters and brothers in areas suffering conflict and war. Bring comfort to those who grieve, shelter to those who are homeless, and sustenance to those who hunger and thirst.  
God of mercy, open our hearts to your grace, so that we are filled with compassion and a generosity of spirit, and inspire us to take action. Spirit of love, pour out your peace like a healing balm, which brings hope in place of despair. **Amen**

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# PARISH NOTICES

## 7th Sunday of Easter:

As we near the end of the joyous season of Easter, this Sunday's Scripture brings our focus onto Christ's loving relationship with us.

St. John's letter (Second Reading) is like a summary of the Good News and the mystery of the Resurrection. We are encouraged to love one another. It is through our loving relationships that we will come to know God more fully. God is love, and God shares the Spirit of love with us when we die to self and give ourselves fully to love.

In John's Gospel we hear Jesus praying to the Father for his followers. Jesus wants us to share fully in his joy. It is in this spirit of Easter joy that we are sent out into the world to draw all people into that relationship of love of which each and every one is invited to be a part.

Let us pray for the grace to be able to live out the joy of the Gospel of love in every part of our life!

**Baptism:** Leonard Cotet is to be baptised this Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at St Joseph, Warndon. We welcome him to our Parish Community. Please keep him in your prayers.

**Baptism:** Aanaya Adesuwa Elsie Grace is to be baptised and Joseph Philip Daniels will be received in to church next Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at Holy Redeemer, Pershore. We welcome them to our Parish Community. Please keep them in your prayers.

**Children's Liturgy:** During Sunday Mass at Holy Redeemer the Children's Liturgy is well established but more volunteers would be most welcome. Training and support will be offered, if required. All Volunteers will require DBS checks in accordance with Diocese guidelines.

**Safeguarding Training for Parish Volunteers:** Do you know your responsibilities for Safeguarding in our parish? Training is available for everyone who has a voluntary role in our parish. The training is online and it is completely free. All volunteers are asked to undertake this important training as soon as possible. Please see the poster on the church notice board for details of how to sign up.

**What You Said:** The feedback from the groups at the Parish meeting have been typed up and is now available at the back of church. Please pick up a copy if you wish. Thank you to all those who offered to serve on the Parish Council. There

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is an envelope addressed to each of you. Please collect from the back.

**The Loop System:** If you have a hearing aid with a “T” button, you can access the church loop system by switching this on. The system is working. However please note that newer hearing aids, including new NHS hearing aids, do not have this facility. If you can’t find a “T” button on your hearing aid then the loop function may not be available on it.

**Pershore Food Bank is short of the following items:** The food bank continues to look for donations of all types of non-perishable foodstuffs, especially cans of meat, potatoes, cooking sauces and pasta. Please, if you’re clearing out a food cupboard and find those tins and packets of food you know you’ll never use, it’s all very welcome at the food bank provided it is at least three months “in date”. Thank you for your support.

**Condolences:** We offer our condolences to the family and friends of:



**Michael Lee** who passed away 19th April 2024. His Requiem Mass will take place on Wednesday 15th May 2024 at 11.30am at Holy Redeemer’s Church, Pershore.

Please keep them in your prayers. Please keep them in your prayers.

**This Week’s 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for Catholic Communications.** World Communications Day was established by Pope Paul VI in 1967 as an annual celebration that encourages us to reflect on the opportunities and challenges that the modern means of social communication (the press, motions pictures, radio, television, and the internet) afford the Church to communicate the gospel message. This year Pope Francis has chosen, as the theme for Communications Sunday: *Artificial Intelligence and the Wisdom of the Heart: Towards a Fully Human Communication.*

The theme observes that the evolution of artificial intelligence systems makes it ever more natural to communicate through and with machines, so that it has become increasingly difficult to distinguish computation from thought, and the language produced by a machine from that generated by human beings. The Pope highlights the need to ensure that machines do not contribute to a large-scale system of disinformation and do not also increase the loneliness of those who are already alone, depriving us of the warmth that only communication between people can provide.

Visit <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/wcd24-papal-message/> for the Popes message.

**Newsletter Items:** To help the production of our newsletter can you please try to ensure that any items are sent to me by 5pm on the Thursday prior to publication? Thank you.

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### The Word this Week

Today Jesus prays to his father with His departure in mind. He recognises that His work on earth was almost done, and that He is on His way to heaven and would no longer remain in the world, but His disciples would remain in it, exposed to its temptations without His accustomed counsel and defence. They therefore needed the protection of the Father. He also prays that they should be “consecrated in truth” (made holy, set apart from the corruption of the world and for God’s use)

### Spiritual Matters

In today’s Gospel, Jesus asks His Father to help the disciples to remain loyal to Him. We are the Lord’s modern-day disciples, and we need this prayer as much His original followers did two thousand years ago. It can seem relatively easy to maintain our faith when life is going well for us, but it is more challenging when we experience adversity. Then we can succumb to doubt, and subsequently experience disbelief and distress. In these days of excess and greed, we are also tempted by Satan’s empty promises as we are told that the endless pursuit of money and possessions will bring us happiness. These are complete lies, and Jesus prays for our protection against the Devil’s deceitful ways too. So let us ask the Lord to keep us safe from sinful thoughts and deeds, and then pray that we will stay Jesus’ faithful followers forever. **(Louise Bowen)**

### For Your Prayers:

Continue to pray for all those who are sick at this time, those at home and in hospital, **Mark Baker, Alan Smith, Stephen Hales, Susan Vial, Peter O’Shea, Lynda Horne, Rachael Nielsen, Sarah Cole, and Siobhan Stillwell.** We also remember their carers and the sacrifices they humbly offer.

We pray to the merciful Heart of Jesus for those who have died, especially those whose anniversaries occur this week. **Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine.....**

**If you would like someone to be prayed for by the parish, please complete a privacy consent form.**

*“What has a person to fear who lives in the arms and bosom of God?” -*

*St. Paul Of The Cross*

### Parish Safeguarding

*The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative are **Rev. M Kevin Gowdy - 01905 731639, Mr. Sinoj Sebastian 07882 754832 & Ann Marie Wallbank 01684 294040.** She can also be contacted at: [Sg.holyredeemer.pershore@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:Sg.holyredeemer.pershore@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.*