

# ST JOSEPH, UPTON UPON SEVERN, WITH OUR LADY AND ST ALPHONSUS, BLACKMORE PARK

*This parish forms part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No. 234216*

**Parish Priest: Fr. Nazarius Mgungwe (01684 574250 – resident at St Joseph's, Malvern)**

**Fr Hugh Sinclair (retired – 01684 592602 – resident at St Joseph's, Upton)**

**Deacon: Rev'd. Seán Duffy (07913 163696)**

The Parish Account name is: *Blackmore Park and Upton*

**St Joseph's Church, 9 School Lane, Upton upon Severn, Worcs. WR8 0LA.**

**Our Blessed Lady and St Alphonsus, Blackmore Park, Hanley Swan, Worcs. WR8 0EA**

Hospital Chaplains: Worcester Royal, Newtown and South Bank: 01905 963712

**Malvern Cluster Parish Websites:** [stjosephupton.co.uk](http://stjosephupton.co.uk); [stjosephsmalvern.org](http://stjosephsmalvern.org); [saint-wulstans.org.uk](http://saint-wulstans.org.uk)

**Confession:** Fr Hugh hears confessions before 4pm Mass on Saturdays; or by appointment

## MASS TIMES:

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|--------------|---------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Sat 26 Sep   | 4.00pm  | Blackmore Park                          | Jill Gomez – R.I.P.                    | 26 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| Sun 27 Sep   | 9.00am  | Upton                                   | Molly Cullen – R.I.P.                  |                                          |
| Tues 29 Sep  | 9.30am  | Upton                                   | <i>Ss Michael, Gabriel and Raphael</i> | Service of Word & Communion              |
| Thurs 01 Oct | 10.00am | Blackmore Park (Exposition from 9.15am) | <i>St Thérèse of the Child Jesus</i>   |                                          |
| Fri 02 Oct   | 9.30am  | Upton                                   | <i>Guardian Angels</i>                 | 27 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| Sat 03 Oct   | 4.00pm  | Blackmore Park                          |                                        |                                          |
| Sun 04 Oct   | 9.00am  | Upton                                   |                                        |                                          |

Thank you for last week's **Second Collection** that raised £98.95 for the work of the Home Mission, Catholic Evangelisation. This weekend there is a collection for **Fr Hudson's Caritas**, the Social Care Agency for the Archdiocese of Birmingham – more information, here: <https://www.fatherhudsons.org.uk/>



## SEASON OF CREATION

This Sunday (27/09) is a day of prayer of thanksgiving for the Harvest, and Friday, **2<sup>nd</sup> October is CAFOD Family Fast Day** with a **special collection next Sunday (04/10)** – it also happens to be the Feast Day of St Francis and the end of the Season of Creation. At a time when we are focussing on the bounty of nature and giving thanks for our relative wealth we should do what we can to help those who

have little. The **Malvern Hills Food Bank** have reached out to us at this time to ask our aid in building up stocks for the expected increase in demand this winter. They are concerned that the volume of donations is down a bit, and they are starting to have to use their cash reserves to keep their shelves filled. **Over the next two Sundays, 27/09 and 04/10**, please bring items from the list of food and toiletries so that our **Harvest Thanksgiving** can have a tangible effect in the lives of our neighbours. Thank you.

**As at 4<sup>th</sup> September:** Bars of soap; Cooking sauce in jars; Cup-a-soup; Deodorant; Instant mashed potato; Pasta packets (microwavable); Porridge oats; Razors for shaving; Rice sachets (microwavable); Shower gel; Tea bags; **Tinned:** carrots, curry, fruit, peas, rice pudding, soup; Toilet roll; Toothbrushes; Washing powder; Washing up liquid.



## The Upton Fusion Ensemble Presents **An Autumn Concert** **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2026 at 7.30pm** In aid of St Joseph's RC Church, Upton Featuring **Refreshments and a Retiring Collection** **As well as Music to cheer the Heart**

### Other Dates for the Diary:

- **Parish Finance & Premises Committee:** Monday, 28<sup>th</sup> September at 3pm.
- **Churches Together in Upton Committee:** Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 11am – St Joseph's.
- **Autumn Fayre:** Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> December, 10-12, Memorial Hall

**Health & Safety:** If at any time you come across anything which is a danger to the public, in either of the Churches or grounds, please contact our Parish Health & Safety Representative Mark Fisher (07960 077117) or, if he is not available, Deacon Seán. Thank you.

Emergency contacts: Anne Rasile 01684 310317; St Wulstan's, Little Malvern 01684 574658; St George's Worcester 01905 963712

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance & the National & Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Kevin Douglas. He can be contacted at: [sg.stjoseph.malvern@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stjoseph.malvern@rcaob.org.uk) / 01886 832468 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.