

NEWSLETTER FOR ST JOSEPH'S, TILEHURST



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THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD & SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST EASTER SUNDAY – 1ST APRIL 2018

Alleluia! Christ is risen!



LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS

The goal of the Life in the Spirit Seminars is very limited. They are designed to help people find a new, fuller and better life as Christians by the power of the baptism in the Holy Spirit.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS TRY:

1. To help those who come to the seminars establish or re-establish or deepen a **personal relationship with Christ**;
2. To help those who come to the seminars to yield to **the action of the Holy Spirit in their lives** so that they can begin to experience his presence and can begin to experience him working in them and through them;
3. To help them begin to make use of the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

These seminars will be held in the large hall of St Joseph's parish, on the following Saturdays:

- April 7th, 11 – 1 pm, 14th, 11 am – 1 pm, 21st, 1 – 3 pm, and 28th. 11 am – 1 pm.
- May 19th, 1 – 3 pm
- June 2nd, 11 am – 4 pm – BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

Booking not necessary - Just turn up for the first session!

Fr Peter

MASS INTENTIONS: SATURDAY, 31ST MARCH - SUNDAY, 8TH APRIL

EASTER VIGIL, 31ST MARCH	8 pm	People of the Parish
EASTER SUNDAY, 1ST APRIL	8.30am	People of the Parish
	10.30 am	People of the Parish
Monday, 2nd April	10 am	Peter Hopkins RIP
Tuesday, 3rd April	12 noon	James O'Shea RIP – Foundation Mass
Wednesday, 4th April	12 noon	Margaret & Tony Chaplin's Intentions
Thursday, 5th April	NO MASS	
Friday, 6th April	5 pm	Reading Marian Prayer Group
	7 pm	Iris McSoley RIP, Mary Walker RIP, Baby Grace RIP & Baby McSoley RIP
Saturday, 7th April	10 am	Jules François Vidot RIP & Joseph Louis Capron RIP & Marie Thérèse Capron RIP
Sunday, 8th April	8.30 am	Mr Aloysius Fernandes RIP
	10.30 am	Emilia & Franciszek Najman RIP

Responsorial Psalm:

“This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad”.

COLLECTIONS FOR 25TH MARCH 2018

Gift Aid	£1,118.92
Planned Giving	£107.00
Loose Plate	£343.43
Clergy Assistance Fund	£7.00
Easter Offerings	£40.00
Candles	£47.96
CAFOD Lent Fast Day	£10.00
Holy Places	£5.00
Mass Stole Fees	£20.00
CAFOD (TF3)	£5.00
TOTAL	£1,704.31
<u>RUNNING TOTALS</u>	
TF3 (CAFOD)	£210.00
TF9 (“On Fire!”)	£1,794.16
CAFOD Family Fast Day	£1,164.64
First Holy Communion Programme	£675.00
Clergy Assistance Fund	£326.51
Easter Offerings	£40.00
Holy Places	£5.00

REMINDER FOR NEXT SUNDAY, 8TH APRIL

- The counters will be Terry Clarke and Jenny Horton.
- The Eucharistic Minister for Oakwood Ward will be Eileen Kerrigan. *(If you do swap with another Eucharistic Minister, please remember to notify the Parish Office, so that we can publicise the correct information in the newsletter. Thank you).*

Due to holidays,
there will be no Knitwits meeting in April

WEDNESDAY PRAYER GROUP

The next Prayer Group meeting will be held at St Catherine's on 4th April at 9.30 am. *All are welcome.*

EASTER OFFERINGS

By tradition, your offerings on Easter Saturday/Easter Sunday are for the personal use of the Clergy and form a significant part of their annual income. *Thank you for your generosity.*

GOING INTO HOSPITAL?

On admission to hospital, all Catholics must inform the hospital staff that they are Roman Catholic and if they wish to receive Holy Communion or see a priest they must request this themselves as all arrangements in RBH must be 'patient led'. You can also telephone the *RBH Chaplaincy* on 0118 322 7105.

SUNDAY MASS IN HOSPITAL

Every Sunday in the RBH Chapel at 4 pm. *Patients, staff and visitors are all welcome.*

PRAYER REQUESTS

There is a Prayer Request box in the church porch into which you are invited to place any intentions that you may have, and each week during one of the Masses, Fr Peter will pray especially for those intentions. Please **DO NOT PUT ANY MONEY IN THE BOX.**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND:

Nora Colley, Richard O'Brien, Sheila Robinson, Ellen Knox, Pamela Humphries, Pat Togher, Richard Owens, Bernadette Smeesters, Gerard Tomas, Jackie Hopper, Lya Turner, Charles Livingston, Barbara Turner, Mary Hoban, Margaret Chaplin, Rita Boyce, Alayna Fernandes, Wendy Kelly, Mary O'Shea, Eileen Marshall & Maria. If you would like to add a name to this list or if you have any queries, please contact *Sheila* in the Parish Office. *Thank you.*

GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATIONS (GDPR)

We need to bring to your attention that the new General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR), which replace the current Data Protection Act, takes effect from 25th May 2018. This is about raising awareness of GDPR and include compulsory training sessions for those who handle personal data and ensuring that we document what data we hold. This training is for everyone and anyone handling personal data but please ensure you attend as leader and at least one other member from each group. **GDPR Training Days in April 2018:**

- Thursday, 12th April 10.30 am: St Bede's, BASINGSTOKE
- Saturday, 14th April 10.30 am: Milner Hall, St Peter & The Winchester Martyrs, WINCHESTER
- Saturday, 14th April 2.30 pm: Milner Hall, St Peter & The Winchester Martyrs, WINCHESTER
- Monday, 16th April 10.30 am: Our Lady and St Edmund, ABINGDON
- Thursday, 26th April 2.30 pm: Christ the King, READING
- Thursday, 26th April 7 pm: Christ the King, READING

To book online please go to the web site below:
<http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/gdpr/>

MASS BOOKLETS

As previously announced, with effect from Easter Sunday, 1st April, the number of our Mass booklets will be reduced to 75 because we now have our AV screen. However, if anyone wishes to continue to use these booklets, this small number will be available on the tables at the back of the church.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A FOUNDATION GOVERNOR?

St Paul's Catholic Primary School has a vacancy for a Foundation Governor. If you have time and a passion for supporting our children's education, please get in touch. The three core functions of the governing body are:

- Ensuring clarity of the Catholic vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- Holding the Headteacher to account for the educational performance and Catholic character of the school and its pupils; and
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

Closing date for Nominations will be on Friday, 30th March via *Rachel Andrew*, Clerk to the Governors randrew@stpauls.w-berks.sch.uk. Nomination forms may be obtained from the Parish Office.

THANK YOU

A big thank you to all who have taken part in the Lenten activities of our parish, including those who have joined in cleaning, decorating, and assisting in other ways, making our parish a happy and loving family. God bless you and grant you special Easter joy! Fr Peter.

Divine Mercy Apostolate run by Marian Fathers is organising the DIVINE MERCY PILGRIMAGE - Preparation for The Feast of Divine Mercy:

Saturday, 7th April from 10 am – 4 pm, The Friars, Aylesford Priory, at the Shrine of Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Aylesford, Kent, ME20 7BX, led by Rt Rev Paul Hendricks and Marian Father. *Further details are available on the poster in the church porch.*

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office is now closed, but will re-open on Thursday, 5th April at 9 am.

Are you celebrating a 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th or anniversary over 60 years? If so, Bishop Philip would like to invite you to a Mass of celebration. This will take place at St Bede's Church in Basingstoke on Saturday, 30th June 2018. It is a wonderful occasion to celebrate and witness to Marriage. If you would like to come, please visit the Cathedral website

<http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/anniversaries/> and complete the on-line form or send an email to anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. Please note this address is not monitored daily and you may have to wait for a reply, so please be patient.

If you do not have access to the internet, please contact St Joseph's Parish Office, who will have the form you need to complete. To help celebrate the occasion please could you provide a COPY of your Wedding photograph, you can upload it when you complete the form online. Alternatively, scan and send via email to above email address. Again, if you have no access to the internet, you can post a COPY along with completed form by post to the following address: St Bede's Parish Office, Popley Way, Basingstoke, RG24 9DX. Please mark envelope *Significant Wedding Mass*.

PAUL, APOSTLE OF THE CHRIST MOVIE

Opens on Good Friday. James Faulkner (Downton Abbey) plays Paul; Jim Caviezel plays Luke (Jesus in Mel Gibson's The Passion of the Christ). *Please check details with your local cinema.*

