## **NEWSLETTER FOR ST JOSEPH'S, TILEHURST**



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#### PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD - 5TH APRIL 2020

Holy Week begins with the celebration of Palm Sunday: "The Commemoration of the Lord's Entrance into Jerusalem.

#### **EASTER TRIDUUM**

**GOOD FRIDAY** will be on 10<sup>th</sup> April: A day of **Fasting and Abstinence**, which is mandatory on Good Friday.

Holy Week and the Easter Triduum is upon us, and I encourage you to prayerfully unite yourselves in your homes" to the prayer of the Church by "means of live (not recorded) broadcast". It is important to dedicate "adequate time for prayer".

\*\*Fr Peter\*.

OFFICE CLOSURE: Following Diocesan instruction, all parish offices will be closed, with immediate effect. Therefore, attached to this newsletter, you will find Mass intentions up until 12<sup>th</sup> May 2020. Please email <code>sjtilehurst@portsmouth@diocese.org.uk</code>, if you need to contact Fr Peter, and he will deal with emails as soon as he can. *The Parish Office will re-open when we have been advised to do so.* 

Please note that although Fr Peter is quite unwell and remains in self-isolation; being cared for elsewhere; he continues to celebrate the Holy Mass each day for the intentions of St Joseph's parishioners, and sends us all the assurance of his prayers and concern during this difficult time. *Special permission is granted to all priests to celebrate Mass "in a suitable place, without the presence of the people".* 

#### **GOING INTO HOSPITAL?**

Note: Priests are now on emergency call out only - in danger of death. This is to ensure protection for them and for others. Royal Berkshire Hospital Chaplain: RBH: 0118 322 7105.



#### **HENRY (HARRY) MCSOLEY RIP**

It is with great sadness that we have to announce that our dear Dad, Grandad, Great Grandad, Henry (Harry) McSoley passed away in RBH on 30<sup>th</sup> March, after contracting Covid 19. A private burial took place last Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April, to adhere to the current restrictions. Details will be announced at a future date for a Memorial Service to be held at St Joseph's Church, once churches are re-opened to the public.

The family of St Joseph's was a huge part of Dad's life; he derived great comfort from his many friends there, and was at his happiest working in the Parish Office. Please remember Harry & Iris McSoley in your prayers. *May they rest in peace*.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND

Nora Colley, Dick O'Brien, Sheila Robinson, Pat Togher, Bernadette Smeesters, Gerard Tomas, Lya Turner, Charles Livingston, Barbara Turner, Mary Hoban, Rita Boyce, Jean Trott, Stefen Griffiths, Nina Aramo, Jo Boase, Julie Thompson, Michael & Joy O'Connell, Carmela Garzia, Kathleen Urban, Helen, Natasha, Marek, Bridget, Iga, Bob Goodwin, Maggie Tranter, Jadwiga Wlasak, Chris Quinn, Anne Rees, Ged & Maureen Murphy. If you would like to add a name to this list, or if you have any queries, please contact *Sheila* in the *Parish Office*.

# MASS INTENTIONS: WEDNESDAY, $1^{ST}$ APRIL – SUNDAY, $30^{TH}$ APRIL 2020

Wednesday, 1 <sup>st</sup> April		Maureen & Martin Tomas RIP
		Ellen Knox RIP
Thursday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> April		Louise Monaghan RIP
Friday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> April		P T Antony RIP
Saturday, 4 <sup>th</sup> April		Ellen Knox RIP
Sunday, 5 <sup>th</sup> April		Jack & Theresa Kerrigan RIP
PALM SUNDAY		Michael Heneghan RIP
OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD		Ü
Monday, 6 <sup>th</sup> April	_	
Tuesday, 7 <sup>th</sup> April	_	Chrism Mass at Portsmouth - Postponed
Wednesday, 8 <sup>th</sup> April		Franciszek & Emilia Najman RIP
<i>Maundy Thursday</i> , 9th April		Thanksgiving for the Priesthood
Good Friday, 10th April		(Day of Fasting & Abstinence)
Easter Vigil in the Holy Night	No public	People of the parish
Saturday, 11 <sup>th</sup> April	Masses.	
EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD,	1100000	People of the parish
Solemnity, 12th April	E D . '11	People of the parish
Easter Monday, 13 <sup>th</sup> April	Fr Peter will	
Tuesday, 14 <sup>th</sup> April	celebrate	Rita Hayes RIP
Wednesday, 15 <sup>th</sup> April	these Mass	James O'Shea RIP – Foundation Mass
Thursday, 16th April	intentions in	John McNeill RIP
Friday, 17 <sup>th</sup> April	private.	Patricia MacMahon's intentions
Saturday, 18 <sup>th</sup> April	private.	Stephen Leonard RIP
Sunday, 19th April		Tessie Joyce RIP
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER		, ,
		Renato & Monica Goncalves RIP
Monday, 20 <sup>th</sup> April		
Tuesday, 21st April		Stephen Leonard RIP
Wednesday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> April		Brian Nugent RIP
Thursday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> April		St Paul's School Mass
ST GEORGE, Patron of England		beginning of summer term
Friday, 24 <sup>th</sup> April		Pierce MacMahon's intentions
Saturday, 25 <sup>th</sup> April		Michael Griffin RIP
Sunday, 26 <sup>th</sup> April		Cathy & Pedro Rodrigues' intentions
		Zygmunt Rupnicki RIP
Monday, 27 <sup>th</sup> April		
Tuesday, 28 <sup>th</sup> April		Jadwiga Wlasak's intentions
Wednesday, 29 <sup>th</sup> April		Fenton family - In Thanksgiving
Thursday, 30 <sup>th</sup> April		John McNeill RIP

MASS INTENTIONS: FRIDAY, 1 <sup>ST</sup> MAY – TUESDAY, 12 <sup>TH</sup> MAY 2020		
Friday, 1 <sup>st</sup> May  Saturday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> May		Harry & Iris McSoley, Mary Walker, Baby McSoley, Baby Grace & Baby Bubble RIP Patrick Keane RIP
Sunday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	No public Masses. Fr Peter will	Monsignor Anthony Stark RIP P T Antony RIP
Monday, 4 <sup>th</sup> May Tuesday, 5 <sup>th</sup> May Wednesday, 6 <sup>th</sup> May		Joan O'Brien RIP Theresa Mathew RIP
Thursday, 7 <sup>th</sup> May Friday, 8 <sup>th</sup> May	celebrate these Mass	Gregory Sakaria RIP Gerald MacMahon & Julie Glancy's
Saturday, 9 <sup>th</sup> May	intentions in private.	intentions Kasia & Paul Salisbury's intentions – 10th Wedding Anniversary
Sunday, 10 <sup>th</sup> May		Bessie McNamara RIP Suzette & Filomena Lobo RIP
Monday, 11 <sup>th</sup> May		Dilly 9 Many Evona DID
Monday, 11 <sup>th</sup> May Tuesday, 12 <sup>th</sup> May		Billy & Mary Evans RIP

#### **COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

All public Masses are suspended.

- To ensure compliance with the Government's instruction regarding places of worship,
   St Joseph's Church will remain closed, until further notice.
- The Diocese of Portsmouth offers live streaming of Daily Mass and Sunday Mass via the following link: <a href="https://www.portsmouthcatholiccathedral.org.uk/live-mass.php">https://www.portsmouthcatholiccathedral.org.uk/live-mass.php</a>
- Please continue to check our website and Facebook page. We will try to keep them up to date with new information and spiritual help: <a href="http://www.st-josephs-tilehurst.org.uk/index.php">https://www.facebook.com/stjosephstilehurst/</a>. The HOME page of our website contains our Community tab, for more information. On the Community, tab there is: A daily Novena, a prayer from Fr Peter and a section called "Latest News".
- If you are able to continue to support St Joseph's Church financially and would like to do so online, please note our parish bank details:

Lloyds Bank - 30 93 04 - 00885992 - PRCDTR Reading St Joseph - Ref: Parish/Your name.

Alternatively, please post your offering envelope through the letter box of the Parish Office.

Please note that there should be a collection on Good Friday in support of the Holy Places. There should also be an Easter Collection next Saturday, 11th /Sunday, 12th April. By tradition, your offerings at Easter are for the personal use of the Clergy, and form a significant part of their annual income. Please do consider the alternative ways of continuing to support St Joseph's parish and Fr Peter financially, as mentioned above.

• Age UK has set up a phone friending service called "call in time". The service matches elderly people with a "friend" who calls once a week for a 30-minute chat, at a time that suits. To set this up the phone number is 0800 434 6105 or the website is: www.ageuk.org.uk/callintime. This service is for anyone over 60.