

NEWSLETTER FOR ST JOSEPH'S, TILEHURST



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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B) – 13TH MAY 2018

World Communications Day

Today, we are asked to pray for those who work in the media who ensure the accuracy of sources and communication are real means of promoting goodness, generating trust, and opening the way to communion and peace. There will be a second collection at both Masses to fund this important work. Prayer cards are available at the back of the church.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

I would like to present Faculty forms to newly commissioned and re-commissioned Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at both Masses on Sunday, 3rd June when we will celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi. Please try to ensure that you can attend one of these Masses, but if you cannot, please see me privately.

Please pray for the sick and housebound:

Nora Colley, Richard O'Brien, Sheila Robinson, Ellen Knox, Pat Togher, Richard Owens, Bernadette Smeesters, Gerard Tomas, Jackie Hopper, Lya Turner, Charles Livingston, Barbara Turner, Mary Hoban, Rita Boyce, Alayna Fernandes, Wendy Kelly, Mary O'Shea, Eileen Marshall, David Dye, Jean Trott & 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.*

Fr Peter

MASS INTENTIONS: SUNDAY, 13TH MAY – SUNDAY, 20TH MAY

Sunday, 13th May	8.30am	Euri Kristopher Caspi RIP
	10.30 am	Eileen Drake RIP
Monday, 14th May <i>St Matthias, Apostle</i>	NO MASS	
Tuesday, 15th May	12 noon	Euri Kristopher Caspi RIP
Wednesday, 16th May	12 noon	Eileen Drake RIP
Thursday, 17th May	9.30 am	Eric Dicks RIP
Friday, 18th May	7 pm	Norman Lee RIP
Saturday, 19th May <i>Dedication of the Cathedral of St John, Portsmouth</i>	10 am	Eileen Drake RIP
Sunday, 20th May Pentecost Sunday	8.30 am	Mary Gale RIP
	10.30 am	Margaret McCreight's Intentions
	6.30 pm	Syro Malabar
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Saturday: 9.20 am followed by 10am Mass		
ROSARY & CONFESSIONS Saturday: Following 10am Mass		
Responsorial Psalm:		
"The Lord has set His sway in heaven".		

COLLECTIONS FOR 6TH MAY 2018

Gift Aid (Envelopes)	£279.00
Planned Giving (Envelopes)	£33.15
Loose Plate	£361.01
Candles	£37.65
Hall Hire	£69.00
CAFOD (TF3)	£15.00
TOTAL	£794.81
<u>RUNNING TOTALS</u>	
TF3 (CAFOD)	£313.00
TF9 ("On Fire!")	£1,758.97
Clergy Training Fund	£311.77

REMINDER FOR NEXT SUNDAY, 20TH MAY

- The counters will be Clare McSoley, Donal Lineham and Kate Copus.
- The Eucharistic Minister for Oakwood Ward will be Eden Tett. *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.*

GOING INTO HOSPITAL?

On admission to Royal Berkshire Hospital all Catholics should inform the hospital staff that they are Roman Catholic and if they wish to have Communion or see a priest. All arrangements in RBH are "Patient Led". Hospital Chaplain - *Fr JP Lyttle - Mobile: 0739 189 6559 / RBH: 0118 322 7105.* Sunday Mass 4 pm at RBH Old Chapel by London Road entrance. *All are welcome.*

WEDNESDAY PRAYER GROUP

The next Prayer Group meeting will be held at St Catherine's on 16th May at 9.30 am. *All are welcome.*

MASS BOOKINGS - 2019

Fr Peter has decided that the Mass Bookings Diary 2019 will not be open until 1st September 2018. *Dates cannot be reserved in advance of this date.*

STAIRLIFT

Nearly new stairlift available. Please contact Jack Ewins on 0773 449 9190.

FINAL CALL!!

FOR READING PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

National Shrine of Our Lady on Saturday, 26th May, 6.45 am - 9.30 pm. Coaches for 100 people led by Fr John. Cost £15. Information and forms via the Parish Office with payment. See the poster. **Bookings close this Monday, 14th May. BOOK NOW!!!**

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.**

OLOP Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje from 12th - 19th September 2018. Staying 7 nights half-board in Carolina's Pansion and tour with one of the top guides in Medjugorje, there will be a fantastic full program and tour! Return transfer from Split airport is included in the price. See posters for further details. To book please call *Nancy Challinor-Johnson* on 0774 543 4888 or email *nancy.johnson7@btinternet.com*.

SIGNIFICANT WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

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 Basingstoke on Saturday, 30th June 2018. Please email to: *anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk* if you would like to attend.

SVP - AFTERNOON TEA

SVP would like to invite Senior Citizens to an Afternoon Tea on Wednesday, 23rd May in the small hall from 2.30 - 4 pm. Those people who require transport please contact *Jack Ewins* on 0773 449 9190.

WELCOME

We welcome Vienna Marie Corbett who is to be baptised here at St Joseph's today.

The new General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) comes into force on the 25th May 2018 and will impact every organisation which holds or processes personal data. The diocese in conjunction with parishes and curial offices are now in the process of revising processes to ensure that we are compliant. The diocese is committed to ensuring high standards of information security, privacy and transparency.

BAPTISM COURSE

The next Baptism course at St Joseph's will be on Wednesdays, 23rd May and 6th June from 8 pm - 9.30 pm in the large Church hall. We will be using a programme called: Baptism - helping your child get the most out of life. Godparents are also welcome to join us for discussion and to watch a DVD. The courses only run every few months, so if you are new or expectant parents, it might be better to attend this course if you wish your child to be baptised fairly soon.

If you are considering Baptism for your child, whatever their age, please register for the course by contacting *Mary Philip* on 961 5905 email: *mphilip@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk* or alternatively email the Parish Office (details on the front of this newsletter).

BLESSED HUGH FARINGDON CATHOLIC SCHOOL

"Good with outstanding features". Due to pupils moving out of the area, Blessed Hugh Faringdon Catholic School currently has spaces in Years 8 and Year 9. Please contact the school directly if you would like to register your interest via *admissions@hughfaringdon.org* or 0118 957 4730.

DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR

TODAY at 2.30 pm at Our Lady of Peace & Bl Dominic Barberi. *Everyone welcome.* After this, we will be having the Divine Mercy service at OLOP every 2nd Sunday of the month at 2.30 pm.

FORMATION FOR MISSION

- We are currently running our Essential Training for Catechists around the diocese. The course consists in 5 sessions. These sessions present the essential foundations for all catechesis (and children's Liturgy).
<http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/formation/essential-training-for-catechists.php>
- A Diocesan Day for Readers, taking place in St Bede's, Basingstoke on 16th June, from 9.30 am - 3 pm. See poster in church porch or go to
<http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/readers>

PARISH PUBLICITY OFFICER

At its recent meeting on Wednesday, 2nd May, the Liturgy Group agreed that it would be a good idea to have a Publicity Officer in the parish who would promote parish events in Portsmouth E-news, Portsmouth People and possibly set up a parish Facebook page. If you would like to volunteer for this role, please contact *Ann Epps*, Leader of the Liturgy Group on 0118 941 1479.

DROP-IN CENTRE & PARISH SVP

Thank you very much to everyone for your donations to the May Collection for the Drop-in Centre and the parish SVP. Your donations were very much appreciated by those who received them. The next collection will be, as always, on the first Sunday of the month, which will be Sunday, 3rd June. Thank you very much for your continued support with this collection.
Margaret Bailie.

Sherry Weddell, author of *Called and Gifted*, and *Forming Intentional Disciples*, will be in the diocese next month. There are two events for laity, held at the Basingstoke Country Hotel: Friday, 18th May from 2 - 7 pm, she will speak about parish renewal, and a few of our parishes will be sharing what they are doing. On Saturday, 19th May from 9.30 am - 4.30 pm, Sherry will focus on the personal spiritual journey and how each of us can develop our love and relationship with the Lord. For more details and to book free places, please email *Clare atcsimpson@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk*



The UCM will be attending Mass on Tuesday, 15th May at 12 noon. Our meeting will be held afterwards in the small hall, including a shared lunch. *All ladies are welcome to join us.*

THURSDAY MORNING MASS

St James' Class will be attending 9.30 am Mass on Thursday, 17th May. *All are welcome.*

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

One-day pilgrimage to Liverpool on Saturday, 8th September Bishop Philip invites you to join him in Liverpool at the National Eucharistic Congress to be a public witness that the Church is strong, alive and growing. To share in a unique opportunity to worship Jesus Christ: crucified and risen. To deepen your relationship with Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

The day will be amazing! Pilgrims will have the opportunity to hear inspirational speakers including Cardinal Vincent Nichols, & Bishop Robert Barron, and worship with likeminded people. It will also be an opportunity for pilgrims to remove themselves from their worries for a day, and cast their desires and doubts before the Lord; to find themselves with the disciples at the Last Supper and rub shoulders with those who gaze on the sacrifice of Christ upon the Cross as the heavenly Father reveals through the pilgrims and speakers what in truth the Eucharist is for us.

To find out more and join the pilgrimage

Obtain a brochure from the Parish Office or email congress@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. The cost of the pilgrimage depends upon how you travel but will be between £40 - £110. It may be possible to obtain sponsorship to help with the cost of your conference fee and travel from the Living Our Faith Fund.

READING CHRISTIAN NETWORK (RCN)

You are invited to join us for a very special evening of praise and celebration with churches from around the Reading area. Ed Silviso will be our guest speaker. We'll be celebrating our 21st birthday as Reading Christian Network and it's great to welcome Ed back as he helped us to launch Reading Christian Network in 1997. Ed Silviso is an author and speaker who has helped towns and cities around the world to experience transformation through inspiring leaders to join together to bless communities in the name of Jesus. Our story in Reading continues and we are so grateful to Ed Silviso for bringing the challenge he brought to us in the summer of 1997. Imagine packing The Globe to celebrate God's goodness to us over many years and then to be re-commissioned together to fulfil the next chapter in the story of Reading.

We look forward to seeing you at The Globe on Wednesday evening June 13th. Please park considerately in car parks and streets nearby. Please note this is a free event but we will be taking an offering. www.readingchristiannetwork.com.

Monday 21st May: #MeToo: Faith, Sex and Abuse. Rev Canon Dr Emma Percy, Welfare Dean, Trinity, Oxford. Monday 4th June: Creativity, Spirituality and Mental Health. Revd Dr Joanna Collicutt, Karl Jaspers Lecturer, Psychology and Spirituality, Oxford. All events are held at Zero Degrees Bar (Bridge Street RG1 2LR), start at 7.30 pm and are free to attend with no booking.

