

NEWSLETTER FOR ST JOSEPH'S, TILEHURST



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15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) – 14TH JULY 2019

There will be a Second Collection today for Apostleship of the Sea – This is the Church in action amongst the seafarers of the world. The object is to provide for the spiritual and material well-being of them all, regardless of religion, race or rank. Please be as generous as you can. *Thank you.*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION (FHC) 2019/2020

Registration for the First Holy Communion programme will take place on Saturday, 7th & 14th September in the large hall here at St Joseph's, from 10 am – 12 noon. Your child should either be attending St Paul's School in Year 3 or above, or should be registered as a parishioner in St Joseph's parish. *You will need to bring your child's Baptism Certificate in addition to the fee of £25.*

MASS INTENTIONS: SUNDAY, 14TH JULY 2019 – SUNDAY, 21ST JULY

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| Sunday, 14 th July <i>15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i> | 8.30 am | Theresa Kerrigan RIP |
| | 10.30 am | Brenda O'Brien RIP |
| Monday, 15 th July <i>St Swithun, Bishop</i> | 11 am | St Paul's School Leaver's Mass (in church) |
| Tuesday, 16 th July | 12 noon | Deceased members of the O'Sullivan/O'Connell families RIP |
| Wednesday, 17 th July <i>St Bonaventure, Religious, Bishop, Doctor of the Church</i> | 12 noon | Alex Stanton's Intentions |
| Thursday, 18 th July | 9.30 am | Edwiges Figueira RIP |
| Friday, 19 th July | 7 pm | Yvonne Forester RIP |
| Saturday, 20 th July | 10 am | Paula Moretti's Intentions |
| Sunday, 21 st July <i>16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i> | 8.30 am | Susan Meese's Intentions |
| | 10.30 am | Eileen Drake RIP |
| | 6.30 pm | Syro Malabar |
| EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - Saturday at 9.20 am followed by 10 am Mass | | |
| ROSARY & CONFESSIONS - Saturday following 10 am Mass | | |
| Responsorial Psalm: "Seek the Lord, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive." | | |

COLLECTION FOR 7TH JULY 2019

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| Gift Aid (envelopes) | £354.50 |
| Planned Giving (envelopes) | £32.30 |
| Loose Plate | £448.05 |
| Clergy Training Fund | £5.00 |
| World Communications | £2.50 |
| Repository | £285.00 |
| Mass Stole Fees | £90.00 |
| Peters Pence | £18.00 |
| Candle Money | £41.77 |
| TOTAL | £1,277.12 |
| <u>RUNNING TOTALS</u> | |
| TF3 (CAFOD) | £122.50 |
| TF4 (Parish Events) | £151.69 |
| TF9 ("On Fire!") | £2,247.64 |
| Divine Mercy Centre | £116.97 |
| Day for Life | £550.10 |
| Peter's Pence | £336.67 |

REMINDER FOR NEXT SUNDAY, 21ST JULY

- **Counters:**
T & P McKeown and H Glover
- **Mass readers**:**
8.30 am
1st Reading – J O'Connell
2nd Reading – C Hurst
10.30 am
1st Reading – B Davis
2nd Reading – M O'Brien
Eucharistic Ministers:**
8.30 am
Miriam, Ted & Tony
10.30 am
Colin, David & Ian
- **Eucharistic Minister - Oakwood Ward:**
A MacDonald.

****Eucharistic Ministers & Readers: Will you kindly note that due to constant swapping around of dates, the accuracy of the above names cannot be guaranteed. Thank you**.**

GOING INTO HOSPITAL?

On admission, all Catholics should inform the hospital staff that they are Roman Catholic and if they wish to have Holy Communion or see a priest. All arrangements in RBH are 'patient led'. Royal Berkshire Hospital Chaplain: *Fr JP Lyttle*. *Mobile: 0739 189 6559. RBH: 0118 322 7105.* Sunday Mass 4 pm. Patients, staff & visitors welcome.

TEA & COFFEE

Please join us for tea & coffee which is served in the large hall after 10.30 am Mass on Sundays. *All are most welcome.*

JOB VACANCIES AT ST PAUL'S SCHOOL

Please see the notice board in the church porch for further details of the vacancies listed below:

- Temporary Teaching Assistant
- Lunch Time Controller
- 2 Teaching Assistants

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. 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, Dick O'Brien, Sheila Robinson, Ellen Knox, Pat Togher, Bernadette Smeesters, Gerard Tomas, Lya Turner, Charles Livingston, Barbara Turner, Mary Hoban, Rita Boyce, Wendy Kelly, Mary O'Shea, Jean Trott, Stefen Griffiths, Tessie Joyce, Nina Aramo, Jo Boase, Julie Thompson, Michael O'Connell, Carmela Garzia, Natasha & Bridget.

If you would like to add a name to this list, or if you have any queries, please contact *Sheila* in the *Parish Office*.

WEDNESDAY PRAYER GROUP

Wednesday Prayer Group will meet again on 17th July at 9.30 am at St Catherine's. *All are welcome.*

DBS FORMS

Our Safeguarding Officer is currently in the process of renewing the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks for those parishioners who need to have one. This is proving to be a very time-consuming job; not helped by delays in some people returning their forms. A lot of information is now required for these checks, but DBS clearance is a legal requirement for those working with children and vulnerable adults. If you have been asked to complete a DBS form and the associated diocesan ones, please ensure that you return all the paperwork and provide the necessary ID documents *as quickly as possible.*

CLERK TO THE GOVERNORS

The Federation of St Martin's and St Anne's Primary Schools seeks applications for the role of Clerk to the Governors. Please see our advert at www.st-annes.reading.sch.uk and request an application form from *Jacqueline Campbell (School Business Manager)* at bursar@st-annes.reading.sch.uk, or by phoning *0118 937 5597*.

"On this rock I will build my Church". Does a life of faithful prayer and teaching as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life attract you? To explore further, contact *Fr John Cooke* vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call *0132 931 8869*.



Please note that there is now a designated wheelchair area in our church, situated beside the choir.

ST PAUL'S SCHOOL
50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

We are looking forward to celebrating the 50th anniversary of St Paul's School during the next academic year.

Were you there when we first opened our doors in 1969? We want to hear from anybody who knows details of the school's early days. If you remember anything about the origins/beginnings of St Paul's, we would love you to share your memories with us. Please email Rosie Chambers at rchambers@stpauls.w-berks.sch.uk or telephone the school on 0118 942 2003.

We would be delighted to welcome visitors to our school to talk to our current pupils about the history of St Paul's. If you would be willing to do this, please get in touch. Are you a former pupil/member of St Paul's staff? If so, please send me your favourite memory of St Paul's (in no more than 50 words) stating the decade of your attendance. These memories will be put together in a commemorative compilation. We are hoping to organise an open evening in the spring term for past pupils/staff to visit the school. *Further details to follow!*

TEAM STEVEN

For the 3rd year running, a team of his friends and family will be taking part in Race for Life in memory of my beloved son, Steven McCreight, who died in November 2016 aged just 30. Steven's smile could light up a room and we miss him every day. He is now at peace and safe in God's loving care. We like to do what we can to make things better for all the people who continue to suffer. You have been very generous in supporting us in the past - Thank you. If you feel able to sponsor us this time the website is <https://fundraise.cancerresearch.org/page/margarets-race-for-life-6850>. If you would rather, I always have my sponsor form on me. Thanks again. *Margaret McCreight.*

WELCOME

A warm welcome to Tristan Alexander Desvaux De Marigny and Leo David James Petersen who are to be baptised here at St Joseph's today.

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS

Annual Summer Barbeque at 7pm on Wednesday, 17th July at Marian's. All members and spouses are welcome.

RISE THEATRE'S YOUTH SUMMER SCHOOL 15TH
- 18TH AUGUST - JUST £65

Up to 10 bursaries are available for young Catholics aged 12 - 18 from the Reading parishes to attend RISE Theatre's Summer School at St Cassian's in Kintbury. Normally £265 (incl. accommodation & meals) the bursaries will enable young people to attend for just £65. For an application form, please email *Michele* at admin@risetheatre.co.uk - to qualify, applicants will need to briefly outline why they would benefit from a bursary and obtain a supporting signature from their Parish Priest or Headteacher. See www.risetheatre.co.uk/summer-school about how the summer school is a great opportunity for young people with a passion for drama, music & art to explore their faith in a creative way.



CAFOD UPDATE MEETING - 4TH SEPTEMBER

You are invited to a CAFOD update meeting on Wednesday, 4th September from 7.15 pm - 9 pm at St Joseph & St Margaret of Clitherow Church, 39 Braccan Walk, Bracknell, RG12 1BE. Nikki Evans CAFOD's Programme Officer for Bolivia will be speaking about our work there and how your donations are making a difference to people's lives. Please book your place so that we have an idea of how many people are coming by emailing portsmouth@cafod.org.uk or phone 0125 232 9385.

DROP-IN CENTRE AND PARISH SVP

Thank you very much to everyone for your most generous donations to the July 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 on Sunday, 4th August. Thank you very much for your continued support with this collection. Margaret Bailie

BAPTISM COURSE

The next Baptism course at St Joseph's will be on Wednesdays, 25th September & 2nd October from 8 - 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: mephilip@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.