

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, TILEHURST



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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 1ST FEBRUARY 2026

MASS INTENTIONS: SUNDAY, 25TH JANUARY – SUNDAY, 1ST FEBRUARY 2026

Saturday, 31 st January St John Bosco, Founder	9 am	Rosary & Exposition
	10 am	Leelamma Cherian RIP
	10.30 am	Confessions
	5 pm <i>Vigil</i>	Jean Harding & deceased members of the Harding family RIP
Sunday, 1 st February FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	8.30 am	Sean Canning RIP
	10.30 am	Slawomir Wruszczak RIP (<i>Birthday & 4th anniversary of death</i>)
Monday, 2 nd February THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD	10 am	John McKenna RIP
Tuesday, 3 rd February	10 am	Pat Campbell RIP
Wednesday, 4 th February	9.30 am	Maria George RIP
Thursday, 5 th February St Agatha, Virgin, Martyr		
Friday, 6 th February St Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs	6 pm 7 pm	First Friday Devotion <i>every first Friday of the month</i> Exposition Mike Keep's intentions
Saturday, 7 th February Our Lady on Saturday	9 am	Rosary & Exposition
	10 am	Soul for dead
	10.30 am	Confessions
	5 pm <i>Vigil</i>	Edward Green RIP
Sunday, 8 th February FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	8.30 am	Private intention
	10.30 am	Patrick Munnelly RIP
	5 pm	Syro Malabar

**Please note only 10.30 am Sunday Mass and special Masses are live-streamed: *<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCruCvuFlvKVpml2vvGWdDKQ>*
LECTIONARY FOR SUNDAYS & FEASTS: YEAR A

St Joseph's Holy Spirit Prayer Group

Your personal invitation!



Our new Holy Spirit Prayer Group will meet the first and third Wednesday of each month in the quiet room at the back of the church, between 7 – 9 pm starting from Wednesday, 4th February. Midweek evenings can be very busy, hopefully doing two Wednesday evenings a month will help some people already committed to one of them. Everyone is welcome to join us for Praise and Worship, Music, Reflection, Testimonies, Teaching, Intercessions, individual prayer for Healing and Friendship. If you would like to come but need transport, call *John Foley* on 0776 925 1747. Our H.S. Prayer Group will follow NSCS Safeguarding guidelines.

**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS:
24TH/25TH JANUARY 2026**

Gift Aid (envelopes)	£157.25
Planned Giving (envelopes)	£5.00
Loose Plate	£393.20
TOTAL	£555.45
Cathedral	£316.86

Donate to our parish by bank transfer thus avoiding admin fees: A/C Name: CDP Reading St Joseph. Sort Code: 30-93-04. Account No. 00885992.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND

Gerard Tomas, Charles Livingston, Stefen Griffiths, Nina Aramo, Julie Thompson, Pauline, Babs, Maggie Tranter, Jackie Hopper, Sisters of St Ann and all the people in Bamenda, Kevin & Mike Keep, Brigid, Adrian Robson, Veronica Williams, Dan and Joe Newman, Helen, Tommy Barrett, Liz Darling, Lina O'Connor, Anna.



St Vincent
de Paul Society
England and Wales
Turning Concern into Action

Our SVP Conference helps all who need support. We also provide help to SVP

Conferences in Sudan, India and to various foodbanks in Reading. Donations can be made directly to our bank account: Saint Vincent de Paul, Sort Code 60-60-04, Account No. 46075070, via the card reader machine or by completing a Standing Order form, available at the back of the church. Thank you for your generosity. SVP President: *Rita Boyce* ritaur@yahoo.co.uk

DRIVERS: The SVP urgently needs volunteer drivers (men or women) for food centre deliveries in the Reading area. An estate car/small van would be ideal. Membership of the SVP is not required. For more details, please contact *Jack Ewins*, SVP Treasurer – 0773 449 9190.

SVP SENIORS' SOUP LUNCH



Come and enjoy a variety of delicious soups and fresh bread, sample some



delectable homemade cakes and pastries, over a cup of tea or coffee on Saturday, 21st February from 1 - 2.30 pm in the large hall. If you would like to join us, please put your name down on the sign-up sheet at the back of the church, by 15th February. For more information, please contact *Patrizia Chssell* on 07740 547922. *"I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty". John 6:35.*

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES!

A retreat morning will be held on Saturday, 21st March at St James' parish, Reading from 10.30 am - 1 pm: A time of reflection and prayer for the whole Reading Pastoral Area.

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." The Beatitudes guide us in living holy and generous lives no matter the vocation He has placed on our heart. We are all called to embody these virtues, serving God and His people with humble hearts. Pray for discernment and openness to where God might be inviting you to follow Him. Talk to your priest or contact *Cn. John Cooke*. vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 0132 931 8869.

TILEHURST DROP-IN CENTRE & FOODBANK



This week we are short of cooking oil, washing up liquid, coffee, rice pudding, baked beans, custard, spaghetti hoops and hot dogs. Thank you so much for your continued. Financial donations can be made to CDP Reading St Joseph. Sort Code: 30-93-04. Account No: 00885992. Please include as a reference, 'Foodbank'.

MOTHER'S PRAYERS



We meet after 7 pm Mass on Fridays to pray for our families. Please speak to *Aline Phillips* for more information, or just come along:

<https://www.mothersprayers.org>

ST JOSEPH'S BABY & TODDLER GROUP

On Thursdays from 8.45 am – 11.30 am in the large hall, *term-time only. All are welcome.*



POLITE PARKING REQUEST

It has been reported that parishioners are parking on or across our neighbours' driveways in Berkshire Drive. No driveway should ever be obstructed or blocked. Having clear access to their own driveways is particularly important for our neighbours who may have mobility difficulties. Please be considerate when parking in the surrounding roads, as we wish to maintain good relations with our neighbours. *Thank you very much for your understanding and consideration.*

SOURCE AND SUMMIT YOUTH GROUP

Our parish youth group for school students (aged 11-18), 'Source and Summit' meets on Wednesdays (term-time) from 6.30 pm - 8 pm for food, games and faith. *'You were not made for comfort; you were made for greatness' - Pope Benedict XVI.* If you want to get involved, contact *Lewis and Hannah*: Lewisdowle2011@hotmail.co.uk



MARY'S MEALS

Fundraising for Mary's Meals will launch on Sunday, 15th February with a cake bake sale at tea and coffee following the 10.30 am Mass. A cash donations tin will also be available. All are welcome.