ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, TILEHURST



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THE TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 28TH SEPTEMBER 2025

MASS INTENTIONS: SUNDAY, 28 TH SEPTEMBER – SUNDAY, 5 TH OCTOBER 2025		
Saturday, 27 th September	9 am	Rosary & Exposition
St Vincent de Paul, Founder, memorial	10 am	Carmen's intentions – Foundation Mass
, ,	10.30 am	Confessions
	5 pm <i>Vigil</i>	Elizabeth Comiskey RIP
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY	8.30 am	Stephen McKenna RIP
TIME	10.30 am	Mrs Dias' intentions
Sunday, 28 th September	5 pm	Syro Malabar
Monday, 29th September	10 am	Donal English RIP
THE HOLY ARCHANGELS MICHAEL,		
GABRIEL & RAPHAEL, feast		
Tuesday, 30th September	10 am	Helena & Charles McLaughlin RIP
St Jerome , Priest, Doctor of the Church		
Wednesday, 1st October	9.30 am	Eileen & Marie Claire Mitchell RIP
St Teresa of the Child Jesus, Religious,		
Doctor of the Church		
Thursday, 2 nd October		
The Holy Guardian Angels		
Friday, 3 rd October ['Autumn Fast Day']	6 pm	First Friday Devotion
		every first Friday of the month
	7 pm	P T Antony RIP
Saturday, 4 th October	9 am	Rosary & Exposition
St Francis of Assisi, Founder	10 am	Private intention
	10.30 am	Confessions
	5 pm <i>Vigil</i>	Charles McLaughlin RIP
TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN	8.30 am	Vidot François, Marie Thérèse & Joseph
ORDINARY TIME		Capron, and Harry & Thomas' private
Sunday, 5 th October		intentions
	10.30 am	Suzette & Philomena Lobo RIP

LECTIONARY FOR SUNDAYS & FEASTS: YEAR C

Please note only 10.30 am Sunday Mass and special Masses are live-streamed:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCruCvuFlvKVpmI2vvGWdDKQ

THE CHURCH WILL BE OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER FROM <u>9 AM - 2 PM</u> ON MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY.

SUNDAY COUNTERS

A few people have stepped down from the Sunday Counting team and we urgently need to recruit some more. Please consider volunteering your time to help us. We like to have a minimum of 4 teams so that each team only needs to count once/month. Counting takes place straight after Sunday 10.30 am Mass and takes up to an hour, often less. Full training and support will be given. If you can help, please give your name to Fr Henry or contact the Parish Office. *Thank you*.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS: 20TH/21ST SEPTEMBER 2025

Gift Aid (envelopes)	£209.50
Planned Giving (envelopes)	-
Loose Plate	£300.66
TOTAL	£510.16
Home Mission Sunday	£380.85

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.

This weekend: Second of four autumn weekend Mass Counts [for national statistics].



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.

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, Alan Allen, Veronica Williams, Dan and Joe Newman, Helen, Tommy Barrett, Liz Darling, Lina O'Connor, Jenny Horton, Pedro.

SOURCE AND SUMMIT YOUTH GROUP

Our parish youth group for school students (aged 11-18), 'Source and Summit' meets on Wednesdays (termtime) 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:

Lewisdowle 2011 @hotmail.co.uk

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

For those people who are not catholic, we can help you with R.C.I.A. and prepare you to become catholic at Easter next year. *Please send an email to the Parish Office, if you are interested.*

TILEHURST DROP-IN CENTRE & FOODBANK



We are supporting approximately 35 households with food and household products, thanks to your donations. This week we are short of baked beans, biscuits, sugar, toothpaste, cooking oil,

packet soups, coffee and tea. Financial donations can be made to CDP Reading St Joseph. Sort Code: 30-93-04. Account No: 00885992. Please include as a reference, 'Your Surname, Foodbank'. *Many thanks*.



AUTUMN FAST DAY: FRIDAY, 3RD OCTOBER

To donate to our Family

Fast Day parish collection, please use CAFOD envelopes if you pay tax so that they can claim the Gift Aid. We are not able to claim gift aid on behalf of another charity.

You can also donate online at <u>Give by virtual envelope</u> or call 0303 303 3030, text CAFOD to 70560 to donate £10. The QR code links to a CAFOD virtual envelope to make your donation.



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

DIOCESAN VACANCIES

Please follow the link for current vacancies: <u>Careers</u> - Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth

A warm welcome to Zachariah Kevin Brabon, baptised here at St Joseph's this weekend.



ST IOSEPH'S BABY AND TODDLER GROUP



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

Next event: Saturday, 25th October at St Bede's Church, Basingstoke. "The Path of Prayer". Mass Celebrant: Bishop Philip Egan. Speaker: Charles Whitehead.



"If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead." This Sunday, pray for vocations and for those who have answered the call to be witnesses of the Gospel. If you think you have a vocation, talk to your priest or contact *Cn. John Cooke vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk* or call *01329 318 869*.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION – 3RD OCTOBER AT 6 PM

Every First Friday of the month, led by Fr Henry: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by silent Adoration. 6.15 pm Holy Rosary, Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Reparations prayers. 6.45 pm Benediction. 7 pm Holy Mass. *ALL ARE WELCOME*.