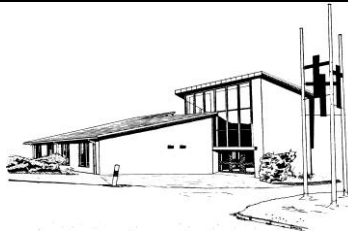


# NEWSLETTER FOR ST JOSEPH'S, TILEHURST



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Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9 am – 12.30 pm

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**Fr John Paul Lyttle** ☎ 0118 322 7105 (RBH) ☎ 0118 957 2149 (Parish) ☎ 0739 189 6559 (Mobile)

## **PENTECOST SUNDAY – 20<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2018**



**Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful,  
and enkindle in them the fire of your love.  
Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created,  
and You shall renew the face of the earth.**

**Let us pray:**

**O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit,  
did instruct the hearts of the faithful,  
grant that by the gifts of the same Spirit,  
they may be truly wise and ever rejoice in His consolations.  
Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.**

### **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, Stefen Griffiths & 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, 20<sup>TH</sup> MAY – SUNDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> MAY**

<b>Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> May</b>	8.30am	Mary Gale RIP
	10.30 am	Margaret McCreight's Intentions
	6.30 pm	Syro Malabar
<b>Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> May</b> <i>Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Christ &amp; the Church</i>	<b>NO MASS</b>	
<b>Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May</b> <i>St Rita of Cascia, Religious</i>	12 noon	Leszek – For his conversion
<b>Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	12 noon	Marek Matysik
<b>Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> May</b>	9.30 am	Kathleen Sargeson
<b>Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> May</b> <i>St Bede the Venerable, Religious</i>	7 pm	Leslie Nutt RIP
<b>Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> May</b> <i>St Philip Neri, Priest</i>	10 am	Leslie Nutt RIP
<b>Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> May</b> <b>THE MOST HOLY TRINITY</b>	8.30 am	Maureen & Martin Tomas RIP
	10.30 am	Jean Dalton RIP
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Saturday: 9.20 am followed by 10am Mass		
ROSARY & CONFESSIONS Saturday: Following 10am Mass		
<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <b>“Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth”.</b>		

**COLLECTIONS FOR 13<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2018**

Gift Aid (Envelopes)	£220.00
Planned Giving (Envelopes)	£109.00
Loose Plate	£401.33
Gift Aid (via bank)	£791.00
Planned Giving (via bank)	£22.00
Clergy Training Fund	£5.00
Holy Places	£20.00
World Communications	£205.76
Candles	£39.17
Hall Hire	£140.00
Repository	£54.00
Mass Stole Fees	£10.00
Donation	£15.00
CAFOD (TF3)	£155.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£2,187.26</b>
<b><u>RUNNING TOTALS</u></b>	
TF3 (CAFOD)	£468.00
TF9 (“On Fire!”)	£1,758.97
Clergy Training Fund	£316.77
World Communications	£205.76

**REMINDER FOR NEXT SUNDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> MAY**

- The counters will be Eileen & Richard Hopkins.
- The Eucharistic Minister for Oakwood Ward will be Eileen Kerrigan. *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.*

**MASS BOOKINGS – 2019**

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

Sadly, I feel with age and poor health the time has come to hand over the job of the Church garden to one or perhaps even two people. Although it looks fairly small there is quite a lot of work involved throughout the year. It has been my great privilege to work this garden for our church and our Parish. *Caroline Hurst.*

**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 Joseph's on 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 9.30 am. *All are welcome.*

**PARISH PUBLICITY OFFICER**

At its recent meeting on Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.*

OLOP Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje from 12<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> 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.*

### 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*.

**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.**

### 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, 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018. Please email to:

[anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk).

### 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](mailto:admissions@hughfaringdon.org) or 0118 957 4730.

### RAMADAN

We wish all of the families of the Muslim communities in Reading a holy and blessed Ramadan, a month of fasting which began on Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> May.

### SVP - AFTERNOON TEA

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

### BAPTISM COURSE

The next Baptism course at St Joseph's will be on Wednesdays, 23<sup>rd</sup> May and 6<sup>th</sup> 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 course only runs 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](mailto:mphilip@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) or alternatively email the Parish Office (details on the front of this newsletter).

### 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 16<sup>th</sup> June, from 9.30 am - 3 pm. See poster in church porch or go to <http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/readers>

### 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 13<sup>th</sup>. 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](http://www.readingchristiannetwork.com).

### NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

**One-day pilgrimage to Liverpool on Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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.