# **NEWSLETTER FOR ST JOSEPH'S, TILEHURST**



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## FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) - SUNDAY, 10<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2019

### **HEALING SEMINARS**

FR NICHOLAS BROADBRIDGE OSB of Douai Abbey has run healing seminars for the past 30 years. He will do a series of four seminars here at St Joseph's in the large hall, from 10 am – 5 pm.

Seminar 1	Healing of Memories	Saturday, February 16 <sup>th</sup>
Seminar 2	Deliverance	Saturday, March 9th
Seminar 3	Gift & Gifts of the Spirit	Saturday, March 30 <sup>th</sup>
Seminar 4	Healing Families	Saturday, April 6 <sup>th</sup>

Anyone wishing to attend a seminar must send Fr Nicholas an email that they wish to attend, as he sends out notes to read and "homework" to prepare before attendance. Please contact Fr Nicholas: nicholas@douaiabbey.org.uk. Please bring a bible and food for sharing at lunch. An offering of £15 is acceptable. Many people report a tangible experience of God's peace from attending the day, and healing can occur in many ways. Some people repeat the seminars and find they learn more each time.

# "ON FIRE!" PRAYER & HEALING SERVICE



Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup> February: 5 – 7 pm

A celebration of Praise, and a Healing Service here at St Joseph's - Come and worship with us. Please bring your friends and family. Come for 2 hours or just for 10 minutes. See what wonders the Lord has for you! Do not be afraid to open your heart to the power of the Holy Spirit. *All are welcome!* 

Please park your car in consideration of our neighbours and under no circumstances block their driveways. If at all possible, please park your car further away and come to the service on foot. This will ease traffic congestion greatly. Thank you.

Fr Peter.

MASS INTENTIONS: SUNDAY, 10 <sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY – SUNDAY, 17 <sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2019				
Sunday, 10 <sup>th</sup> February	8.30 am	David Dye RIP		
	10.30 am	Eugene Wilchusky RIP		
Monday, 11 <sup>th</sup> February	NO MASS			
Tuesday, 12 <sup>th</sup> February	12 noon	People of the parish		
		- In thanksgiving from Kathy Dye		
Wednesday, 13th February	12 noon	People of the parish		
Thursday, 14 <sup>th</sup> February	9.30 am	Roy Fisher RIP		
ST CYRIL, Religious & ST METHODIUS, Bishop, Patrons of Europe				
Friday, 15 <sup>th</sup> February	7 pm	P T Antony RIP		
Saturday, 16 <sup>th</sup> February 1		Barney Conlon RIP		
Sunday, 17 <sup>th</sup> February	8.30 am	Tony Flint RIP		
	10.30 am	Steven McCreight RIP		
	6.30 pm	Syro Malabar		
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Saturday: 9.20 am followed by 10 am Mass.				
ROSARY & CONFESSIONS Saturday: Following 10 am Mass.				
Responsorial Psalm:				
"Before the angels I will bless you, O Lord."				

#### **COLLECTION FOR 3RD FEBRUARY 2019**

Gift Aid (Envelopes)	£186.50
Planned Giving (Envelopes)	£13.00
Loose Plate	£327.59
TF3 (CAFOD)	£10.00
Candles	£28.49
Mass Stole Fees	£30.00
Cathedral Fund	£10.00
TOTAL	£605.58
RUNNING TOTALS	
TF3 (CAFOD)	£441.50
TF4 (Parish Events)	£151.69
TF9 ("On Fire!")	£2,781.50
First Holy Communion Subs	£825.00
Cathedral Fund	£393.98

# COMBONI MISSIONARIES APPEAL - NEXT SUNDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

In 2019, the Comboni Missionaries (AKA Verona Fathers) will be appealing throughout Portsmouth Diocese on behalf of their Missions in Africa, Central & South America and Asia. They are known also as the Verona Fathers and serve on five continents. Their moto is "THE WORLD IS OUR PARISH". They are made up of more than 3,500 priests, brothers and laity from diverse cultures. They dedicate their lives to taking the Gospel to the poorest and most abandoned wherever they are, no matter how dire their circumstances. *Please be generous in your contribution.* 

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

Nora Colley, Richard O'Brien, Sheila Robinson, Ellen Knox, Pat Togher, Bernadette Smeesters, Gerard Tomas, Lya Turner, Charles Livingston, Barbara Turner, Mary Hoban, Rita Boyce, Alayna Fernandes, Wendy Kelly, Mary O'Shea, Jean Trott, Stefen Griffiths, Tessie Joyce, Nina Aramo, Jo Boase, Julie Thompson and Michael O'Connell. If you would like to add a name to this list, or if you have any queries, please contact *Sheila* in the *Parish Office*.

#### **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.

### **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.* 

#### REMINDER FOR NEXT SUNDAY, 17<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

- Counters: Terry Clarke & Jenny Horton.
- Mass readers\*\*:

8.30 am

1st Reading – J O'Connell.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading - C Ogbuagu.

10.30 am

1st Reading - A Goncalves.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading - M Keep.

Eucharistic Ministers\*\*:

8.30 am

Jenny Scarpa, Joseph Fernandes

& Michael Ogbuagu.

10.30 am

Christine Fernandes, Maria Forestiero

& Mary Nevin.

 Eucharistic Minister for Oakwood Ward – Carmen. 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.

\*\*Eucharistic Ministers & Readers: Please try to arrive at least 10 minutes before the beginning of Mass, and make yourself known to the welcomers, if it is your turn on the rota. PLEASE READ YOUR ROTA AND NOTE YOUR OWN DATES. *Thank you\*\**.

#### WEDNESDAY PRAYER GROUP

Wednesday Prayer Group will meet on 13th February at 9.30 am at St Catherine's. *All are 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.* 

#### ST IOSEPH'S BABY & TODDLER GROUP

We meet in the large hall on Thursday mornings. We're open between 9.15 – 11.30 am during term time. Even if you don't need a toddler group yourself, can you spare an hour or two every few weeks to help with serving the refreshments? *Pop in and visit us to find out more.* 



You are invited to a CAFOD meeting on Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> February from 7.15 - 9 pm at

Christ the King Church, Reading. Also, on Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> March from 7.15 – 9 pm at St Joseph's Church, Newbury, RG14 1JP, Kezia Harrow, our Step into the Gap Volunteer, will be talking about her recent trip to visit CAFOD's projects in the Holy Land. Everyone is welcome, so please book your place by emailing portsmouth@cafod.org.uk or call 0125 232 9385.

#### **DROP-IN CENTRE AND PARISH SVP**

Thank you very much to everyone for your most generous donations to the February 2019 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, 3<sup>rd</sup> March. Thank you very much for your continued support with this collection. *Margaret Bailie*.

### PARISH ADMINISTRATORS' VACANCY

**ST JOHN BOSCO** – 25/30 hours per week. Telephone No. *0118 969 3423* for details or see noticeboard in church porch. Closing date – 12<sup>th</sup> February.

# MARRIAGE AND RELATIONSHIP COUNSELLING WITH MARRIAGE CARE

Catholic Marriage Care is a faith-based organisation, that draws on its Catholic tradition and contemporary research, to help couples in both good times and bad. Our local centre in Reading offers relationship counselling with fully-trained counsellors. For further information, please call 0800 389 3801. If you are a trained relationship counsellor, could you volunteer with Marriage Care? Further counsellors are needed for our Reading centre. For further information, contact Sue Cooper at reading.admin@marriagecare.org or phone 0793 949 5774.

#### **THURSDAY MASS**

St Thomas' Class will be attending the 9.30 am Mass on Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> February. *Families are welcome to join them.* 



Please note that there is now a designated wheelchair area situated beside the choir.

#### **TEA DANCE**

The Hibernian Society is hosting a TEA DANCE in the English Martyrs parish hall from 2 - 4.30 pm on Sunday, 24th February.

## ST PATRICK'S SUPPER

At Reading Irish Centre - Food & lively Irish music on Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> March from 8 pm – 11 pm. Entrance by ticket only - £20 each from *Anne Morris (Telephone No. 0788 899 7293)*.

#### MAMMOTH QUIZ MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

Reading Fund Raising Group - Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February at 7.15 pm here at St Joseph's. Tickets £7 each – maximum team 6 per table. Bring your own drinks and nibbles. For tickets ring *0780 921 4015.* 

### **CAMINO PILGRIMAGE INFORMATION EVENING**

Have you always wanted to walk the Camino to Santiago de Compostela? Come to St James' on Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30 pm to hear our plans for September 2019. Also, about following the St James' Way from Reading Abbey to Southampton in easy stages this Spring and Summer.

#### **CATHOLIC SINGLES**

Catholic Singles is an organisation which helps single Catholics of all ages (over 18 years) meet other single Catholics, either one to one or through social events. For further information visit <a href="https://www.catholicsingles.org.uk">www.catholicsingles.org.uk</a> or tel. 0161 941 3498.

#### **VOCATIONS**

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send?" Do you think that the Lord wants to send you as a as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? To explore further, contact *Fr John Cooke* -

vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869.

# NEW EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION TRAINING DAY

For Reading parishes on Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March from 9.30 am - 12.30 pm at St James' Church. Led by *Fr John* and *Ann Hogg*.

#### **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

All Eucharistic Ministers are asked to attend a spiritual/guidance/practical talk given by Fr Peter following the 10 am Mass on Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March. This is mandatory. If anyone wishes to become a Eucharistic Minister, *especially at 8.30 am Sunday Mass*, please see Fr Peter. Commissioning and recommissioning of Eucharistic Ministers will take place at Maundy Thursday Mass, 18<sup>th</sup> April at 8 pm.



#### **UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS**

The next UCM meeting on Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> February will be a planning evening for the term ahead. We meet at 7.30 pm in the small hall, and *all ladies are welcome to join us.*