NEWSLETTER FOR ST JOSEPH'S, TILEHURST



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THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 8TH JULY 2018

This Sunday is Sea Sunday

Please pray for seafarers, their families and all who support them through the Apostleship of the Sea. Please show your support in the second collection today. All funds raised go to the Apostleship of the Sea to support their work.

Apostleship of the Sea provides spiritual and practical support, information and a listening ear to seafarers. For more information go to https://www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk/

Bishop Philip's Visit to the Parish 15th/16th September 2018

Bishop Philip will be visiting our parish on the above date, so please make note of the date. *Thank you. Fr Peter.*

| MASS INTENTIONS: SUNDAY, 8th July - Sunday, 15th July 2018 | | | |
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| Sunday, 8th July | 8.30am | Private Intention | |
| | 10.30 am | Brenda O'Brien RIP | |
| Monday, 9th July | NO MASS | | |
| Tuesday, 10 th July | 12 noon | Fr David Quarmby's Intentions in | |
| | | Thanksgiving from St Joseph's | |
| | | parishioners | |
| Wednesday, 11th July | 12 noon | Mariamma Ulahannan RIP | |
| ST BENEDICT, Founder, Patron of Europe | | | |
| Thursday, 12 th July | 9.30 am | People of the Parish | |
| Friday, 13 th July | 7 pm | Reg Bourdon RIP | |
| Saturday, 14 th July | 10 am | People of the Parish | |
| Sunday, 15 th July | 8.30 am | Maria Stepien RIP | |
| | 10.30 am | Jean Trott's Intentions | |
| | 5 pm | Syro Malabar | |
| EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Saturday: 9.20 am followed by 10am Mass. | | | |
| ROSARY & CONFESSIONS | Saturday: Following 10am Mass. | | |
| Responsorial Psalm: | | | |
| "Our eyes are on the Lord till he shows us His mercy." | | | |

COLLECTIONS FOR 1ST JULY 2018

| Gift Aid (Envelopes) | £230.00 |
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| Planned Giving (Envelopes) | £31.95 |
| Loose Plate | £318.20 |
| Candles | £50.19 |
| CAFOD (TF3) | £5.00 |
| Apostleship of the Sea | £4.47 |
| Peter's Pence | £330.44 |
| Mass Stole Fees | £90.00 |
| Day for Life | £1.20 |
| TOTAL | £1,061.45 |
| RUNNING TOTALS | |
| TF3 (CAFOD) | £533.00 |
| TF9 ("On Fire!") | £1,508.97 |
| Day for Life | £360.98 |
| Peter's Pence | £330.44 |

REMINDER FOR NEXT SUNDAY, 15th JULY

- The counters will be Rita McKenna and Peter Nicholson.
- 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.

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.*

MASS BOOKINGS - 2019

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

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.*

ACCOMMODATION URGENTLY REQUIRED

Young family urgently seeks 3 bedroom accommodation in the Reading area. If you are able to assist/would like more information then please ring *Barbara - Secretary* at *English Martyrs* in the first instance on *0118 957 2149*.

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, Tessie Joyce & 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*.

WEDNESDAY PRAYER GROUP

The next Prayer Group meeting will be held at St Catherine's on 11th July at 9.30 am. *All are welcome.*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CATECHISTS

A Presentation by Sr. Hyacinthe of the new First Holy Communion Programme, is being held in the Parish Hall at English Martyrs on Friday, 13th July at 7.30pm.

HANDMADE CARD/CAKE SALE

There will be a sale of handmade cards and cakes, in the small hall, after both masses **TODAY**. *All proceeds to Bamenda/Apostleship of the Sea*.

WANTED! - ITEMS FOR THE PARISH MAGAZINE

Has there been a wedding or birth in your family? Is there a person who inspires you? Is there a book you'd like to recommend? Ask Fr Peter. Is there a part of the Mass you've ever wondered 'why do we do this? Can you compile a quiz, crossword puzzle or word search? Do you have any gardening tips for the winter months? If there is anything at all that you'd like included in the first issue please email it to *sjmagazine@yahoo.com* (**NOT** the Parish Office). We suggest a maximum of 250 words and the deadline is 19th August. *Thank you*.

G.D.P.R./ DATA PROTECTION CO-ORDINATOR

The new general data protection regulations (GDPR) took effect from 25th May 2018, and the diocese, like any other charity or organisation, must comply with these new regulations. The diocese has provided guidance to each parish on how to apply GDPR. This includes the appointment of a Parish Data Coordinator. This is an important role which needs to be urgently filled. If there is anybody in the parish who feels able to fulfil this role, would you please get in touch with *Sheila* in the *Parish Office*, as a matter urgency. Additionally, Group Leaders were asked to complete the questionnaire relevant to their group on 22nd March. Will those who have not responded, please do so urgently.

YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS WEEKEND 7 - 9TH SEPTEMBER 2018

Theme: "Tell others the truth that sets you free" (Pope Benedict XVI). During the weekend of 7th - 9th September 2018, Young Catholic Adults will be running a retreat at Douai Abbey, it will feature Fr Lawrence Lew O.P. and Canon Poucin. The weekend will be full-board. YCA will be running the weekend with the Schola Gregoriana of Cambridge who will be holding Gregorian Chant workshops. All Masses will be celebrated in the Extraordinary form. Please note to guarantee your place this year Douai Abbey has requested that everyone books in 3 weeks before the start of the weekend, i.e. 17th August. http://youngcatholicadults*latestnews.blogspot.co.uk/* To book go to: https://bookwhen.com/youngcatholicadultsdouai2018.

YOUTH AND FAMILY MASS

TODAY at Prospect Park at 2 pm. Music led by English Martyrs Youth choir. Picnic after the Mass. Come with a mat or foldable chair and food and drink to share. If you will like to help out on the day please contact English Martyrs Parish Office. Children are the responsibility of parents/guardians at all times. *All are welcome*.

ST JOSEPH'S NURSERY

We have a few vacancies for 3 and 4 year old children from September 2018. We take 2 year old children but at the moment we have no vacancies. However, we can put 2 year old children's names on the waiting list. For more information, please ring *Mrs Petersen* on *0118 941 3602* or call into the Nursery at St Joseph's church hall: 9 – 10.30 am on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday.

ALTAR SERVERS' PRACTICE

There will be a practice for new and inexperienced servers this Friday at 6.15 pm. Servers are encouraged to stay for Mass afterwards. There will be no practice during the holidays. The next practice will be for all servers who wish to serve at the Bishop's Masses when he visits in September. Time and date to be confirmed. *Mike Tomas – 0770 803 2743.*

BLESSED HUGH FARINGDON SCHOOL

Our Governing Body will shortly have a vacancy for a Foundation Governor, following the retirement of one of our long-standing governors. The closing date is 18th July. Further details are displayed in the church porch. Mrs T Haworth - Clerk to Governors - Email: T.Haworth@hughfaringdon.org
Tel: 0118 957 4730.

IGNITE YOUTH GROUP

With summer officially here, we are sure that you are all counting down to the end of term and looking forward to your summer holidays! As we too take a break for summer, we would like to invite all our members to our end of term summer party at 'Red Kangaroo' on Sunday, 15th July at 1.30 pm entry cost £3pp. Please arrive 30 minutes early to allow enough time to book everyone in. For those of you that have already been to Red Kangaroo, please ensure that your waiver is currently up to date and renew if necessary. If this will be your first visit to Red Kangaroo please ensure that a parent or guardian completes a waiver beforehand either online or at the venue itself. You will also need special Red Kangaroo socks which are £2 pair. For more information, please contact Patrizia Chessell at igniteyouth16@outlook.com or on 0774 054 7922.

INVITATION to an Ecumenical Service for the reopening of the Reading Abbey Ruins at St James' Church TODAY at 3 pm. An opportunity to celebrate our Christian heritage and to acknowledge the prayer and worship of the Benedictine monks in the Abbey over very many years. Sermon by Abbot of Douai, Geoffrey Scott. In attendance Mayor of Reading Cllr Debs Edwards. *All are welcome – come and join us.*

DROP IN CENTRE AND PARISH SVP

Thank you very much to everyone for your 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, 5th August. Thank you very much for your continued support with this collection. *Margaret Bailie*.

SHARE THE JOURNEY WITH REFUGEES - SUNDAY, 22ND JULY - PROSPECT PARK

The SHARE the JOURNEY global campaign inspired and launched by Pope Francis urges us all to reach out to and show solidarity with refugees who are on the move having been forced to flee their homes. CAFOD invites us to share in this campaign by walking towards a total of 24,900 miles - the distance round the world at the equator. You are invited to SHARE THE JOURNEY of these refugees by joining a walk around all or part of Prospect Park in Reading (total distance 2 miles approx.) on SUNDAY, 22ND JULY, starting at 2.30 pm from the car park at English Martyrs Church. CAFOD will ensure that every mile you walk is used to send a powerful message to world leaders. They too need to step up and protect the rights and dignity of They need to act with courage and Refugees. compassion when in September they agree ambitious new UN agreements on refugees and migration.