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



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# THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 7<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2018

## OCTOBER - THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

October is the Month traditionally dedicated to the Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary. What consolation the Rosary brings. Remembering the mysteries of Christ's life and Our Lady's life, we repeat Hail Mary after Hail Mary. Indeed, the mysteries of the Holy Rosary - joyful, sorrowful, glorious and luminous - are the mysteries of our own lives as well. As we pray the Rosary, we beg Our Lady to draw us closer to Him who is our Light. We may remember seeing parents and grandparents so often praying their rosaries, "telling their beads" as some referred to this devotion. We remember as well that for many saints the Rosary was an indispensable part of their daily prayer. Leaflets on how to pray the Rosary are available in the church porch. Please take one.



ROSARY UNDER THE CROSS (by the River Thames) **TODAY** at 2.30 pm on The Feast of the Most Holy Rosary: Meet at Our Lady of Peace Church car park; drive to Thames Valley Park and at 3 pm, say the Sorrowful Mysteries in Penance & Reparation for the sins committed within the Church and the nation against faith, life and love.

Fr Peter

MASS INTENTIONS: SUNDAY, 7 <sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER – SUNDAY, 14 <sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER			
Sunday, 7th October	8.30 am	Winifred Mary Gale RIP - Foundation Mass	
Exposition following both Masses	10.30 am	Ben Caspi RIP	
Monday, 8th October	NO MASS		
Tuesday, 9th October	12 noon	Kathleen Tedstone RIP	
Wednesday, 10th October	12 noon	People of the Parish	
Thursday, 11th October	9.30 am	Michael Doherty RIP	
Friday, 12 <sup>th</sup> October	7 pm	Terry Hadland RIP	
Saturday, 13th October	10 am	Jules François Vidot RIP	
Sunday, 14th October	8.30 am	Ben Caspi RIP	
	10.30 am	Ligia Lobo RIP	
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Saturday: 9.20 am followed by 10 am Mass.			
ROSARY & CONFESSIONS	Saturday: Following 10am Mass.		
Responsorial Psalm:			
"May the Lord bless us all the days of our life."			

## COLLECTIONS FOR 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2018

Gift Aid (Envelopes)	£284.39
Planned Giving (Envelopes)	£41.90
Loose Plate	£445.56
Candles	£51.38
TF 3 (CAFOD)	£10.00
TF6 (Divine Mercy Centre)	
- Sunday tea & coffee after Masses	£337.07
TF7 (Youth Group)	£100.00
Harvest Fast Day (CAFOD)	£3.00
Hall Hire	£112.00
Home Mission Sunday	£20.00
Mass Stole Fees	£70.00
TOTAL	£1,475.30
RUNNING TOTALS	
TF3 (CAFOD)	£20.00
TF9 ("On Fire!")	£1,508.97
TF4 (Parish Events)	£51.69
Harvest Fast Day (CAFOD)	£3.00
Home Mission Sunday	£386.48

## REMINDER FOR NEXT SUNDAY, 14TH OCTOBER

- The counters will be Terry Clarke and Jenny Horton.
- The Eucharistic Minister for Oakwood Ward will be Eden Tett. *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.*

#### ANNUAL MASS COUNT

The annual Mass Count for Pastoral Statistics will take place at Masses on 7th & 14th October.

#### **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.* 



## **ROSEMARY EMMS RIP**

The parish offers condolences to the family of Rosemary Emms who died recently. Rosemary's funeral Mass will take place here at St Joseph's on Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> October at 10 am followed by a committal at West Berkshire Crematorium. *All are welcome.* 

## **SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL**

On Sunday, 14th October at the 10.30 am Mass, a Dedication Ceremony for SVP members and a Long Service Presentation to one of our members. This will be followed by refreshments in the hall. Anyone requiring transport please contact *Jack Ewins* on. 0773 449 9190

#### **PORTSMOUTH E-NEWS**

Have you signed up for Bishop Philip's weekly e-News? Bishop Philip invites you to sign up for his FREE weekly e-Newsletter to keep in touch with the latest news and forthcoming events around the diocese. Visit <a href="https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/enews">www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/enews</a> to sign up. You can also follow the Diocese on Facebook and Twitter.



Please like and follow our Facebook page by searching **St Joseph's Church, Tilehurst, Reading**.

## **WEDNESDAY PRAYER GROUP**

Wednesday Prayer Group will meet on 10<sup>th</sup> October at 9.30 am at St Catherine's. *All are welcome.* 

## 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, Nina Aramo and 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*.

## **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.

## **ANNUAL DAY FOR ALTAR SERVERS**

On Saturday,  $13^{\rm th}$  October from  $10~\rm am-4.30~\rm pm$  at Christ the King, Reading. Please bring altar servers robes and packed lunch. Parental booking/consent form available in the sacristy.



There will be a practice for new and inexperienced servers this Friday at 6.15 pm. Servers attending are encouraged to serve Mass afterwards. If you are thinking about becoming a server but would like some more information before any commitment please see me after any Sunday Mass. *Mike Tomas – 0770 803 2743*.

## **APF**

The Autumn magazine Mission Today is available at the back of the church. Please take a copy. If you are not a box-holder, you are welcome to take one. *Mike Tomas – 0770 803 2743*.

## FREE INFORMAL ENGLISH LESSONS FOR ADULTS

If English is not your first language, you are invited to join free informal classes to improve your understanding, speaking, reading and writing of English. The classes include conversation, and exercises in grammar, etc. They take place weekly during school hours at the English Martyrs Parish Centre in Liebenrood Road. *All are welcome, regardless of religion or nationality.* Please email *petermacdonald@hotmail.co.uk* and you will receive further details.

## PHOTOGRAPHS FROM BISHOP PHILIP'S <u>VISITATION TO OUR PARISH</u>

Copies of the photographs from the Bishop's recent visit to our parish are available from *Carmen*. Donations are welcome – all proceeds will go to the Divine Mercy Centre, Bamenda.

## **SCIENCE - OR - RELIGION? A SYMPOSIUM**

A big diocesan Symposium is taking place on Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 10 am - 4 pm in The Discovery Centre in Winchester (opposite St Peter's Church) on Science and Religion. Two leading scientists will ask whether recent research on the Universe suggests the existence of a Creator. There will also be a series of workshops led by experts on such topics as Christianity and Extra-Terrestrial Life, the Ethics of Artificial Intelligence and whether human consciousness is immortal. The Symposium is open to all, whether religious or not. See the diocesan e-News for more details. Places are limited and bookings are now https://portsmouthdiocese.eventbrite.co.uk

## **COME AND SEE EVENING FOR MEN**

Are you a single man? Is your Catholic Faith really important to you? Have you ever considered the Lord may well be calling you to be a priest and to continue his work in the world? Are you just intrigued about the priesthood? We would like to invite you to English Martyrs' Presbytery for an informal evening with the priests from the pastoral area to explore what the priesthood is about and to ask any questions you have on Sunday, 21st October at 7 pm.

TALKS: 'What no eye has seen' Inspirations of the Christian spiritual masters (touching on questions around prayer) 12 sessions - with excerpts from writings - starting October 2018 at Douai Abbey 2.15 pm on 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the Month. ALL WELCOME! Please contact *Fr Peter Bowe OSB* to book telephone no. *0118 971 5371* Email: peter@douaiabbey.org.uk



## FLAME CATHOLIC YOUTH EVENT

On 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2019 at the SSE Arena, Wembley from 12 noon – 5.30 pm. For young people aged 14 - 21 years (Year 10+) accompanied by parish youth leaders and priests. Tickets £20 pp. FREE coach from Reading (paid for by the parishes). Booking forms available in the church porch. Closing date 07.10.18. Please return forms and money to the Parish Office. Please see website www.cymfed.org.uk/flame. For details see www.cymfed.org.uk/flame or poster in church porch.



#### ST PAUL'S SCHOOL

Office Required as soon as possible. Administrator. 22.5 hours per week (8 am to 12.30 pm) (term time only). Grade/Salary Range B7-11. Are you a team player who is able to make an impact on the outcome of children's learning in our school? We are looking for an excellent, organised and methodical Office Administrator to start as soon as possible. We welcome our dedicated applications to join enthusiastic team. Closing Date: Monday, 15th October 2018 Midday. Interviews: Friday, 19th October 2018. For an application pack please contact the school. Application packs are also available on line at http://www.stpauls.wberks.sch.uk. Please see notice board in church porch for further details.

#### **ST JOSEPH'S JOURNAL**

Would you like to contribute an article for the next edition of the journal? Maybe you've seen a film or read a book that you can recommend. It doesn't have to have a religious theme. Or perhaps there's something we do at Mass that you've always wondered what it means or why we do it. Do you belong to one of the many 'hidden' groups that keep the parish running? Why not tell us about it? We'd welcome anything that you think would be of interest to fellow parishioners. Photos are welcome either by email or hard copies. Please email us at sjmagazine@yahoo.com or hand in to the Parish Office marked for the attention of St Joseph's Journal (maximum 250 words). Thank you.



## **BLESSED HUGH FARINGDON CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

Year 7 Admissions September 2019. Remember to submit your Supplementary Information Form (SIF) to Blessed Hugh Faringdon Catholic School so that your application can be ranked correctly. If you have any queries please contact Mrs Farrelly, Admissions Administrator via

admissions@hughfaringdon.org or 0118 957 4730. Deadline for applications via Local Authority is 31st October 2018.