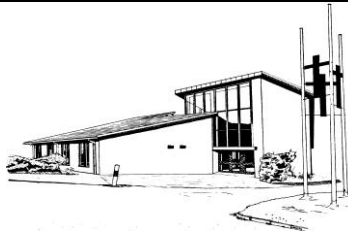


NEWSLETTER FOR ST JOSEPH'S, TILEHURST



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Registered Charity No. 246871

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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)

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) – SUNDAY, 3RD FEBRUARY 2019

“ON FIRE!” PRAYER & HEALING SERVICE

Saturday, 16th 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, 3RD FEBRUARY – SUNDAY, 10TH FEBRUARY 2019

Sunday, 3rd February	8.30 am	David Dye RIP
	10.30 am	Eugene Wilchusky RIP
Monday, 4th February	NO MASS	
Tuesday, 5th February <i>St Agatha, Virgin, Martyr</i>	12 noon	Mary Ellen Murphy RIP
Wednesday, 6th February <i>St Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs</i>	12 noon	People of the parish
Thursday, 7th February	9.30 am	Tony Flint RIP
Friday, 8th February	7 pm	Patrick Munnelly RIP
Saturday, 9th February	10 am	Paddy Urban RIP
Sunday, 10th February	8.30 am	David Dye RIP
	10.30 am	Eugene Wilchusky RIP
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Saturday: 9.20 am followed by 10 am Mass.		
ROSARY & CONFESSIONS Saturday: Following 10 am Mass.		
Responsorial Psalm: “My lips will tell of your help.”		

COLLECTION FOR 27TH JANUARY 2019

Gift Aid (Envelopes)	£300.79
Planned Giving (Envelopes)	£64.00
Loose Plate	£349.01
Gift Aid (via bank)	£780.00
Planned Giving (via bank)	£55.00
TF3 (CAFOD)	£10.00
Candles	£31.98
Mass Stole Fees	£60.00
Donation (Carmelites)	£10.00
Donation (Confirmation)	£25.00
Cathedral Fund	£348.98
TOTAL	£2,034.76
RUNNING TOTALS	
TF3 (CAFOD)	£431.50
TF4 (Parish Events)	£151.69
TF9 ("On Fire!")	£2,781.50
First Holy Communion Subs	£825.00
Christmas Collection	£2,781.50
Cathedral Fund	£383.98

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.

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, Eileen Marshall, 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.**

REMINDER FOR NEXT SUNDAY, 10TH FEBRUARY

- Counters: Peter & Crystal Chesworth.
- Mass readers**:
8.30 am
1st Reading – H Glover. 2nd Reading – N Bricker.
10.30 am
1st Reading – C Wall. 2nd Reading – M Brandon.
- Eucharistic Ministers**:
8.30 am
Miriam Fernandes, Tony Parnell & Ted Millichap.
10.30 am
Mike Keep, Bryan Dent & Eileen Hopkins.
- Eucharistic Minister for Oakwood Ward – Harry McSoley. 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**.*

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.**

WEDNESDAY PRAYER GROUP

Wednesday Prayer Group will meet on 6th February at 9.30 am at St Joseph'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.*

ENGLISH MARTYRS DIGITAL SOUND ENGINEER

If you are interested in digital sound engineering, or you know someone who is, we would like to hear from you! Regardless of your faith and age, we have an opportunity in our church which we would like to share with you. Come and reach out. We look forward to hearing from you. Email English Martyrs Parish Office for more details at englishmartyrs@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk



You are invited to a CAFOD meeting on Monday, 18th February from 7.15 – 9 pm at Christ the King Church, Reading. Sally Kitchener CAFOD's writer for the Communications Team will be talking about her recent visit to see CAFOD's projects in Bangladesh, and there will be an opportunity to explore the resources for Lent Fast Day on 15th March. Also on Tuesday, 5th 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.

CLICK TO PRAY

Pope Francis has launched an app called "Click to Pray," which connects Catholics to a global network to share prayer intentions via their smartphones. "Click to Pray" allows users to post prayer intentions and view other prayer requests in six languages. After posting on the social network, one can track how many Catholics around the world have prayed for their request.

The Android and iOS app include the pope's monthly prayer intentions, all of the Mysteries of the Rosary, and daily prayers for morning, afternoon, and night. In each of these sections, users can click a box to indicate that they have completed the prayer and view how many others also prayed.

PARISH ADMINISTRATORS' VACANCIES

CHRIST THE KING - 15 Hours per week over 3 days. Telephone No. 0118 931 4469 for details. Closing date 5th February.

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

READING COMMUNITY GOSPEL CHOIR

Saturday, 9th February at 7.30 pm Concert at Our Lady of Peace Church, Earley by Reading Community Gospel Choir, with support from soprano Luisa Donatella, in aid of Next Generation Christian Foundation, funding education for disadvantaged children in Nigeria. Tickets £10 adults, under 18s free, available from *OLOP Parish Office* on *0118 966 3711* or earley@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

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	February 16th
Seminar 2	Deliverance	March 9th
Seminar 3	Gift & Gifts of the Spirit	March 30th
Seminar 4	Healing Families	April 6th

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.

THANK YOU!

We would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who helped to prepare St Joseph's Church for our wedding which took place on Saturday, 22nd December 2018. We would like to thank the church cleaners and the flower arrangers for making the church look so beautiful; it was everything we could wish for. We would also like to thank the altar servers for serving at our wedding Mass, the musicians for playing so wonderfully, and the registrar for being present to authorise our marriage. Finally, we would like to say a very big thank you to Fr Peter for the beautiful service; it was the perfect start to our wedding journey. Thank you all so much. *Chanelle and Chris.*

ST JOSEPH'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.*

CAMINO PILGRIMAGE INFO EVENING

Have you always wanted to walk the Camino to Santiago de Compostela? Come to St James' on Friday, 15th 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.

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.

Darmowe nieformalne lekcje angielskiego dla dorosłych
Jeśli angielski nie jest Twoim pierwszym językiem, możesz się dołączyć do bezpłatnego nieformalnego kursu, aby poprawić zrozumienie, mówienie, czytanie i pisanie po angielsku. Zajęcia obejmują rozmowy i ćwiczenia z gramatyki itp. Odbywają się co tydzień w czasie semestru szkolnego w sali parafialnej kościoła English Martyrs w Liebenrood Road. Wszyscy są mile widziani bez względu na religię lub narodowość.

For more information: petermacdonald@hotmail.co.uk

SCHOOL LEAGUE TABLES

Congratulations to Blessed Hugh Faringdon Catholic Secondary School and our Catholic Primary Schools in Reading on being included in the top level of school results in National School League tables. Once again Church schools did very well.

On Saturday, 9th February, please pray and fast for the end of abortion and euthanasia in this country. Your prayer and fasting are urgently needed, and it really does save lives. For details of our live saving work see www.GoodCounselNetwork.com.

THURSDAY MASS

St Bartholomew's Class will be attending the 9.30 am Mass here at St Joseph's on Thursday, 7th February. *Families are welcome to join them.*

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

All Eucharistic Ministers are asked to attend a spiritual/guidance/practical talk given by Fr Peter following the 10 am Mass on Saturday, 23rd 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 re-commissioning of Eucharistic Ministers will take place at Maundy Thursday Mass, 18th April at 8 pm.