NEWSLETTER FOR ST JOSEPH'S, TILEHURST



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16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) – 21ST JULY 2019

DATE SET FOR NEWMAN CANONISATION

Pope Francis will canonise Blessed John Henry Newman in St Peter's Square on Sunday, 13th October 2019, alongside 4 others. Cardinal Newman is the first English person who has lived since the 17th century officially recognised as a saint by the Church. Cardinal Newman is widely considered to be one of the most significant figures of the 19th century. Pope Benedict XVI declared him Blessed in Cofton Park near Birmingham in September 2010, as part of his historic visit to Britain. Don't miss the incredible story of the miracle that has been approved and is leading to the canonisation of Cardinal John Henry Newman in the Catholic Herald. Subcribe at: *catholicherald.co.uk/subscribe or telephone 0137 185 3645.*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION (FHC) 2019/2020

Registration for the First Holy Communion programme will take place on Saturday, 7th & 14th September in the large hall here at St Joseph's, from 10 am – 12 noon. Your child should either be attending St Paul's School in Year 3 or above, or should be registered as a parishioner in St Joseph's parish. *You will need to bring your child's Baptism Certificate in addition to the fee of £25. Fr Peter.*

MASS INTENTIONS: SUNDAY, 21 ST JULY – SUNDAY, 28 TH JULY			
Sunday, 21 st July	8.30 am		
16 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.30 am	Eileen Drake RIP	
	6.30 pm	Syro Malabar	
Monday, 22 nd July	NO MASS		
ST MARY MAGDALENE, feast			
Tuesday, 23 rd July	12 noon	Stewart Hay RIP	
ST BRIDGET OF SWEDEN, Foundress, Patron			
of Europe			
Wednesday, 24 th July	12 noon	Deceased members of the Lanigan & Walshe	
		families RIP	
Thursday, 25 th July	9.30 am	Helen Bowes RIP	
ST JAMES, Apostle			
Friday, 26 th July	7 pm	Bartholomew & Margaret O'Sullivan RIP	
Ss Joachim & Anne, Parents of Our Lady			
Saturday, 27 th July	10 am	In Thanksgiving from the Kerrigan family	
Sunday, 28 th July	8.30 am	Jeanette Jones RIP	
17 th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.30 am	Theresa Kerrigan RIP	
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - Saturday at 9.20 am followed by 10 am Mass			
ROSARY & CONFESSIONS - Saturday following 10 am Mass			
Responsorial Psalm: "The just will live in the presence of the Lord."			

COLLECTION FOR 14TH JULY 2019

Gift Aid (envelopes)	£466.34
Planned Giving (envelopes)	£53.50
Loose Plate	£264.21
Apostleship of the Sea	£505.36
Hall Hire	£369.00
TF3 (CAFOD)	£5.00
Mass Stole Fees	£80.00
Peters Pence	£6.00
Candle Money	£37.05
Baptismal Donation	£80.00
TOTAL	£1,866.46
RUNNING TOTALS	
TF3 (CAFOD)	£127.50
TF4 (Parish Events)	£151.69
TF9 ("On Fire!")	£2,247.64
Divine Mercy Centre	£116.97
Day for Life	£550.10
Peter's Pence	£342.67
Apostleship of the Sea	£505.36

REMINDER FOR NEXT SUNDAY, 28TH JULY

- Counters:. R McKenna & P Nicholson
- Mass readers**: 8.30 am 1st Reading – E Cathrew 2nd Reading – E Millichap 10.30 am 1st Reading – G Heenan 2nd Reading – R Hopkins Eucharistic Ministers**: 8.30 am Dana, Michael & Mike T 10.30 am Ann, Moya & Bryan
- Eucharistic Minister Oakwood Ward: C Fearns.

Eucharistic Ministers & Readers: Will you kindly note that due to constant swapping around of dates, the accuracy of the above names cannot be guaranteed. Thank you.

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.

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.*



Please note that there is now a designated wheelchair area in our church, situated beside the choir.

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.*

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK <u>& HOUSEBOUND</u>

Nora Colley, Dick O'Brien, Sheila Robinson, Ellen Knox, Pat Togher, Bernadette Smeesters, Gerard Tomas, Lya Turner, Charles Livingston, Barbara Turner, Mary Hoban, Rita Boyce, Wendy Kelly, Mary O'Shea, Jean Trott, Stefen Griffiths, Tessie Joyce, Nina Aramo, Jo Boase, Julie Thompson, Michael O'Connell, Carmela Garzia, Natasha & Bridget.

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

Wednesday Prayer Group will meet again on 24th July at 9.30 am at St Joseph's. *All are welcome.*

TEAM STEVEN

Thank you all for your generosity to Team Steven. We have raised more than £1,700 for Cancer Research. We are all so grateful for your continuing support. *Margaret McCreight*.

!! FIRE DRILL IN AUGUST !!

A Fire Drill will be carried out during both Masses on a Sunday in August. No specific date will be given, in accordance with Fire Drill evacuation guidelines. Take a moment *now* to note the location of the *two* Fire Exits in the church: (1) The door beside the organ/choir, (2) The front door of the church. When the alarm sounds please leave the church immediately. You will be directed to assemble at the muster point by the pedestrian gate located at the top of the car park. It is essential that we carry out Fire Drills on a yearly basis for the safety of all parishioners and your co-operation is very much appreciated.

FR MAREK

We are sorry to tell you that Fr Marek will not be able to be with us, as planned. Unfortunately, Fr Marek is unwell, and we pray that he will be back to full health soon. Fr Richard has kindly agreed to continue to look after us until 8th August when Fr Peter will be back with us again.

JOB VACANCIES AT ST PAUL'S SCHOOL

Please see the notice board in the church porch for further details of the vacancies listed below:

- Temporary Teaching Assistant
- Lunch Time Controller
- 2 Teaching Assistants

ST PAUL'S SCHOOL 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

We are looking forward to celebrating the 50^{th} anniversary of St Paul's School during the next academic year.

Were you there when we first opened our doors in 1969? We want to hear from anybody who knows details of the school's early days. If you remember anything about the origins/beginnings of St Paul's, we would love you to share your memories with us. Please email Rosie Chambers at

rchambers@stpauls.w-berks.sch.uk or telephone the school on *0118 942 2003*.

We would be delighted to welcome visitors to our school to talk to our current pupils about the history of St Paul's. If you would be willing to do this, please get in touch. Are you a former pupil/ member of St Paul's staff? If so, please send me your favourite memory of St Paul's (in no more than 50 words) stating the decade of your attendance. These memories will be put together in a commemorative compilation. We are hoping to organise an open evening in the spring term for past pupils/staff to visit the school. *Further details to follow!*

SVP SENIOR CITIZENS LIGHT LUNCH

Senior citizens are invited to a Light lunch of soup, sandwiches and cakes after the 12 noon Mass on Wednesday, 14th August. This will replace our usual afternoon tea. The event will finish at 3 pm. Provision will be made for those with food allergies, and anyone who requires transport, please contact *Jack on 0773 449 9190 or one of the SVP members.*

RISE THEATRE'S YOUTH SUMMER SCHOOL <u>15TH - 18TH AUGUST - JUST £65</u>

Up to 10 bursaries are available for young Catholics aged 12 - 18 from the Reading parishes to attend RISE Theatre's Summer School at St Cassian's in Kintbury. Normally £265 (incl. accommodation & meals) the bursaries will enable young people to attend for just £65. For an application form, please email *Michele* at *admin@risetheatre.co.uk* - to qualify, applicants will need to briefly outline why they would benefit from a bursary and obtain a supporting signature from their Parish Priest or Headteacher.

See *www.risetheatre.co.uk/summer-school* about how the summer school is a great opportunity for young people with a passion for drama, music & art to explore their faith in a creative way.



CAFOD UPDATE MEETING - 4TH SEPTEMBER

You are invited to a CAFOD update meeting on Wednesday, 4th September from 7.15 pm – 9 pm at St Joseph & St Margaret of Clitherow Church, 39 Braccan Walk, Bracknell, RG12 1BE. Nikki Evans CAFOD's Programme Officer for Bolivia will be speaking about our work there and how your donations are making a difference to people's lives. Please book your place so that we have an idea of how many people are coming by emailing *portsmouth@cafod.org.uk* or phone *0125 232 9385.*

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Today will be our final session before the summer break; we will resume on Sunday 8th September. We hope you all enjoy the holidays and look forward to seeing you in September. *Ann, Sue, Virginia, Maria and Anna.*

TEA/COFFEE

Today will be the last session before the summer break; we will resume on Sunday, 1st September. Many thanks to all those who support this venture during the year, and we would love to see more parishioners joining us on Sunday mornings. The money we raise goes to the Divine Mercy Centre in Bamenda and there will be an update on this project in the next edition of St Joseph's Journal. *Ann Epps.*

BAPTISM COURSE

The next Baptism course at St Joseph's will be on Wednesdays, 25th September & 2nd October from 8 -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 courses only run 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: *mephilip@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.*

LARGE HALL - SCAFFOLDING

Please note that there will be building works being carried out during the first week of August, which will involve scaffolding being erected at the front of the large hall. Please contact the Parish Office if you require access to either the large or small hall, which will be via the side door.