

NEWSLETTER FOR ST JOSEPH'S, TILEHURST



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THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 22ND JULY 2018



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*.

Please note that Bishop Philip will be visiting our parish on 15th/16th September.

Fr Peter.

MASS INTENTIONS: SUNDAY, 22ND July – Sunday, 29TH July 2018		
Sunday, 22nd July	8.30am	McSoley family's intentions
	10.30 am	Dorothy Newport RIP
Monday, 23rd July ST BRIDGET OF SWEDEN, Foundress, Patron of Europe	NO MASS	
Tuesday, 24th July	12 noon	Mrs Lina Downey RIP
Wednesday, 25th July ST JAMES, Apostle	12 noon	Michael John Hastings RIP
Thursday, 26th July Ss Joachim & Anne, Parents of Our Lady	9.30 am	
Friday, 27th July	7 pm	
Saturday, 28th July	10 am	Mick Mullahey RIP
Sunday, 29th July	8.30 am	Henry Hoban RIP
	10.30 am	Michael Kennedy RIP
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT	Saturday: 9.20 am followed by 10am Mass.	
ROSARY & CONFESSIONS	Saturday: Following 10am Mass.	
Responsorial Psalm:		
“The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.”		

COLLECTIONS FOR 15TH JULY 2018

Gift Aid (Envelopes)	£288.20
Planned Giving (Envelopes)	£71.00
Loose Plate	£263.45
Candles	£40.15
CAFOD (TF3)	£15.00
Apostleship of the Sea	£319.59
Peter's Pence	£14.00
Mass Stole Fees	£10.00
Hall Hire	£352.00
Card sale for Bamenda	£80.00
TOTAL	£1,453.39
<u>RUNNING TOTALS</u>	
TF3 (CAFOD)	£563.00
TF9 ("On Fire!")	£1,508.97
Day for Life	£365.98
Peter's Pence	£378.44
Apostleship of the Sea	£996.26
TF4 (Parish Events)	£51.69

THANK YOU

The Apostleship of the Sea collection amounted to £996.26. Many thanks for your generosity. *Miriam Fernandes*.

REMINDER FOR NEXT SUNDAY, 29TH JULY

- The counters will be Eileen & Richard Hopkins.
- The Eucharistic Minister for Oakwood Ward will be Anne MacDonald. *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

The Mass Bookings Diary 2019 will be open from 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.*

KNITWITS

Knitwits' next meeting will be on Tuesday, 7th August at 2 pm at the home of Maureen English.

WEDNESDAY PRAYER GROUP

The next Prayer Group meeting will be held at St Catherine's on 25th July at 9.30 am. There will be no Prayer Group meeting in August. We will recommence on Wednesday, 5th September at St Joseph's. *All are welcome.*

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH MAGAZINE

If there is anything at all that you'd like included in future issues, and you do not have access to a computer, please write "**Parish Magazine**" on an envelope, place the item inside, and post it through the Presbytery letter box. We suggest a maximum of 250 words. *Thank you.*

G.D.P.R./

DATA PROTECTION CO-ORDINATOR

The new general data protection regulations (GDPR) took effect on 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 Co-ordinator. 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 of 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, 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/youngcatholicadults-douai2018>.

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.

Boxes full of LPs and old 78's have been discovered whilst de-cluttering the cleaning cupboard adjacent to the small hall. *Please see Carmen for further details.*



You are invited to come to our Harvest Fast Day briefing meeting to hear about CAFOD's work on Wednesday, 19th September at English Martyrs' Church from 7.15 pm - 9pm. There is also another Harvest Fast Day briefing meeting on Saturday, 8th September at St Bede's, Popley Way, Basingstoke RG24 9DX from 10.30 am - 1 pm with a speaker from Head Office. Please book your place by emailing portsmouth@cafod.org.uk or call Jo Lewry on 0125 232 9385.

SHARE THE JOURNEY WITH REFUGEES - TODAY - 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 (total distance 2 miles approx.) **TODAY** 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 Refugees. They need to act with courage and compassion when in September they agree ambitious new UN agreements on refugees and migration.

BLESSED HUGH FARINGDON SCHOOL

Dr Simon Uttley will speak at the end of both Masses on Sunday, 30th September. He will be pleased to meet with prospective parents after each Mass. We ask all parents to consider selecting Blessed Hugh Faringdon as their first choice for Secondary school.

THANK YOU FR DAVID!

We say goodbye to Fr David today and thank him for his ministry to us over the last three weeks.

We welcome Fr Marek to our parish next week. He will be looking after us for 2½ weeks until Fr Peter's return on 9th August.

CATHOLIC? GOING TO UNI THIS YEAR?

Most universities and higher education institutions have a Catholic Chaplain based in the university or the local parish. The Catholic Chaplaincy is a place for you to explore your faith as a young adult, to meet other young people with similar interests from a great range of backgrounds, and to get involved in activities and social outreach. Please see the Catholics at University web-site at: catholicsatuniversity.org.uk



BLESSED HUGH FARINGDON SCHOOL

Learning Support Assistants required September 2018. 29.17 hours per week (8.40 am - 3 pm), term time only plus 1 INSET day. £11,242 per annum. Blessed Hugh Faringdon Catholic School is a successful and oversubscribed school judged as "Good" by Ofsted in 2017. We are looking for caring, committed people to join our Special Needs Department and Asperger Resource Base. You will need to enjoy working with children and be able to demonstrate the ability to respond to their needs. For further details and an application form contact *Karyn Stiles, HR Officer* on 0118 918 3806 or k.stiles@hughfaringdon.org. Alternatively, an application form can be downloaded from our website www.hughfaringdon.org. The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare and safety of children and young people and expects all staff to share this commitment. This post is subject to a satisfactory Disclosure and Barring Service check.

FLAME CATHOLIC YOUTH EVENT

On 2nd March 2019 at the SSE Arena, Wembley 12 - 5.30pm. For young people aged 14 - 21 years (Year 10+). Tickets £20 pp. Free coach from Reading. Parents meeting in February. Closing date 30.09.18. More information www.cymfed.org.uk/flame.

A WARNING

Last week after the Friday evening Mass, a couple of parishioners were approached in the church car park by a young man who said he was homeless and had been sleeping in his car; he was accompanied by a young woman who he said was his sister. He was looking to contact members of the SVP as he had been advised that they were an organisation who might be able to help them. He was asking for £120 to pay a week's deposit on a room he had arranged to rent, and that without an address and a tenancy agreement he would be unable to start the job that he had lined up for the following week. He was polite and initially his story seemed plausible but, without going into all the details, the parishioners involved were fairly confident that this was a scam and no money changed hands. Eventually the couple drove off without any fuss and have made no further attempt to contact the SVP. Please be vigilant if you are approached in a similar way and do not hand over any money. Our SVP president, Jack Ewins, has advised that he will always talk to anyone experiencing difficulties and is happy for his mobile number to be given out (0773 449 9190) but whilst providing practical help, the SVP do not give out cash.

TEA /COFFEE AFTER 10.30 AM MASS

Today will be the last tea/coffee session before the summer break; we will resume on Sunday, 2nd September. Many thanks to the SVP and the Ignite Youth Group who also run some of the sessions and to all who support this venture throughout the year. It would be good to see even more parishioners joining us on a Sunday morning and good to have some more volunteers to help. Details of the total money raised this year will be given in due course. *Ann Epps.*

