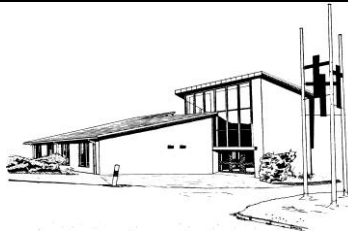


NEWSLETTER FOR ST JOSEPH'S, TILEHURST



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Fr John Paul Lyttle ☎ 0118 322 7105 (RBH) ☎ 0118 957 2149 (Parish) ☎ 0739 189 6559 (Mobile)

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER: 26TH MAY 2019



ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

I would like to recommend to you our parish school, St Paul's. It is currently the Number One school in Berkshire and has been rated as Outstanding. Unusually, there are still a few places for children to join for September 2019. If you know of anyone, whether they are catholic or non-catholic, who would be interested in sending their child(ren) to St Paul's School, please give them the school telephone number which is 0118 942 2003. I strongly suggest they pay a visit to our wonderful primary school.

Fr Peter.

MASS INTENTIONS: SUNDAY, 26TH MAY – SUNDAY, 2ND JUNE

Sunday, 26 th May	8.30 am	Theresa Kerrigan RIP
	10.30 am	Jerzy Potoczek RIP
Monday, 27 th May <i>ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, Bishop</i>	NO MASS	
Tuesday, 28 th May	12 noon	Anne Tudor RIP
Wednesday, 29 th May <i>** Please note Mass time change**</i>	9.30 am	Dominic Clark's Intentions <i>(Foundation Mass)</i>
Thursday, 30 th May <i>THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD, Solemnity</i>	9.30 am	People of the parish
	7 pm	Brendan Reynolds RIP
Friday, 31 st May <i>THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</i>	7 pm	Ia Coleman RIP
Saturday, 1 st June <i>St Justin, Martyr</i>	10 am	Thomas Walshe RIP & Annie Kate Walshe RIP
	8.30 am	Fr Wojciech Paszko's Intentions
Sunday, 2 nd June <i>Exposition following both Masses</i>	10.30 am	Monica Goncalves RIP
	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - Saturday: 9.20 am followed by 10 am Mass	
ROSARY & CONFESSIONS - Saturday: Following 10 am Mass.		
Responsorial Psalm: "Let the people praise you, O God; let all the people praise you".		

COLLECTION FOR 19TH MAY 2019

Gift Aid (envelopes)	£306.40
Gift Aid (via bank)	£891.00
Planned Giving (envelopes)	£32.50
Planned Giving (via bank)	£42.00
Loose Plate	£362.41
Candles	£45.76
Youth Group	£20.00
Mass Stole Fees	£60.00
Syro Malabar (Donation)	£60.00
Carmelite (Donation)	£40.00
Clergy Training Fund	£22.00
Confirmation Coach Travel	£30.00
Easter offerings	£30.00
World Communications	£1.00
TOTAL	£1,943.07
<u>RUNNING TOTALS</u>	
TF3 (CAFOD)	£66.25
TF4 (Parish Events)	£151.69
TF9 ("On Fire!")	£1,722.36
Easter Offering	£2,767.06
Clergy Training Fund	£503.54
Divine Mercy Centre	£116.97

REMINDER FOR NEXT SUNDAY, 2ND JUNE

- Special Collection for Catholic Communications Network - It is important that the voice of the Catholic Church is heard in the UK in the press, radio and TV. This collection funds the small team who work to ensure this happens through press releases and the availability of spokespersons on Catholic issues.
- **Counters:**
D Lineham & K Copus.
- **Mass readers**:**
8.30 am
1st Reading - H Glover.
2nd Reading - M Fernandes.
10.30 am
1st Reading - C Parkes.
2nd Reading - M Brandon.
Eucharistic Ministers:**
8.30 am
T Parnell, M Fernandes & E Wooller.
10.30 am
M Keep, C Fernandes & A Goncalves.
- **Eucharistic Minister - Oakwood Ward:**
H McSoley.

****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**.**

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 AND HOUSEBOUND:

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 & Colleen Collins.

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 29th May at 9.30 am at St Joseph's. *All are welcome.*

SIGNIFICANT WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Are you celebrating a 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th or an anniversary over 60 years? If so, Bishop Philip would like to invite you to a Mass of celebration. This will take place at St Bede's Church in Basingstoke on Saturday, 6th July at 11 am. Please visit the Cathedral website www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/anniversaries/ and complete the online forms, or see *Sheila* in the Parish Office.

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.*

ST JOSEPH'S YOUTH GROUP

Our friendly group runs on the first Friday of the month in the parish hall 19.30 - 21.00 and is open to children in Years 4, 5 & 6. We are currently looking for adult volunteers to join us - if you would like to find out more, please contact rebecca@st-josephs-tilehurst.org.uk. DBS clearance will be required but can be arranged via the church.

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.

PARISH/SVP

SENIOR PARISHIONERS' AFTERNOON TEA

Please come to our Afternoon Tea in the large hall on Wednesday, 12th June from 2 - 4 pm. A list is available at the back of church; please let us know if you have any food allergies and whether you require transport. Thank you. *Jack Ewins*.

**READING PASTORAL AREA
DAY OF RECOLLECTION
FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF
HOLY COMMUNION**

Day of Recollection for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to be held on Saturday, 6th July at St Dominic Savio School, Western Avenue, Woodley, from 10.30 am - 3 pm. Registration and coffee - 10 am. Attendees must complete an application form (available from St Joseph's Parish Office), and return it to St John Bosco's Parish Office.

**COME AND SEE EVENING FOR
MEN AND WOMEN
TODAY AT 6.30 PM.**

Are you a single man or a single woman? Is your Catholic Faith really important to you? Have you ever considered the Lord may well be calling you to be a priest or a sister and to continue his work in the world? Are you just intrigued about the priesthood or religious life? We would like to invite you to English Martyrs Presbytery for an informal evening with the priests and sisters from the pastoral area to explore what the priesthood and religious life is about and to ask any questions you have.

**PENTECOST VIGIL
EVENING OF PRAISE & WORSHIP**

At the English Martyrs Church on Friday, 7th June from 7.30 pm - 9 pm. The Evening begins with the Rosary at 7pm. *All welcome!*

ST JOSEPH'S JOURNAL

A big thank you to everyone who contributed articles for the Easter edition. The next one will be published on 15th September. The deadline is 25th August but we will be happy to receive items from now onwards. They can be emailed to sjmagazine@yahoo.com or handed in to the Parish Office.

SINGLE PERSON SEEKING ACCOMMODATION

We have received a request from a professional single person seeking accommodation in a Catholic home from 1st June onwards. The person concerned would be happy to occupy a spare room to rent. If you are able to assist, please contact *Sheila* in the *Parish Office* for further details.

CLERK TO GOVERNORS

Required as soon as possible at the English Martyrs Catholic Primary School, Tilehurst, Reading, RG30 4BE. Telephone No. 0118 937 5466.
www.englishmartyrs.reading.sch.uk See poster in church porch for further details.

CAFOD - JUST ONE WORLD WRITES:

Thank you to all parishioners at St Joseph's for your generous donation of £766.23 in support of the Cyclone Idai Appeal, which will help families made homeless by floods in Mozambique, Zimbabwe & Malawi. Thank you also for your generous donation of £861.99 in support of Family Fast Day which will help Mahinur's family and community in Bangladesh to receive the help they need.



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

A new booklet entitled 'Abortion and Abortion Care Fact sheet', targeted at secondary schools in England, is presenting some inaccurate and misleading information to pupils about abortion. Unbelievably this booklet has been produced by the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists. Sadly, the RCOG supports extremely wide access to abortion. It was their president who, in 2017, likened abortion 'to getting your bunions sorted'. SPUC is calling on the Secretary of State for Education to ban this new booklet being used in Relationships and Sex Education lessons. We can all voice our concern by signing their petition at www.spuc.org.uk/petition before 31st May.

**"ON FIRE!" PRAYER & HEALING SERVICE
SATURDAY, 22ND JUNE: 5 - 7 PM**



A celebration of Praise, and a Healing Service at St Joseph's, Tilehurst - 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.

NEWS FROM FR BON!

Fr Bon will be visiting the UK from 11th - 25th June. Fr Peter has kindly invited him to stay here at St Joseph's during the weekend of 15th/16th June to celebrate our two Sunday Masses and meet and greet parishioners.

**BERKSHIRE HEALTHCARE
NHS FOUNDATION TRUST**

VOLUNTEER - WELL-BABY CLINICS - READING

Salvation Army, Anstey Road, RG1 7JR - Thurs 14.00 - 16.00. Ranikhet School, Spey Road, RG30 4ED - Fri 13.00 - 15.00. Whitley Health Centre, Northumberland Ave., RG2 7PJ - Weds 09.30 - 11.15. One volunteer per clinic. *Please see poster in church porch for further details.*

REMINDER - DROP IN CENTRE AND PARISH SVP

Our monthly collection for the Drop-in Centre and parish SVP will be held **next Sunday, 2nd June**. The items that are most useful are listed below:

- Tea bags, instant coffee, sugar.
- Tinned cold meats.
Tinned stew and casserole meats.
- Tinned vegetarian meals. Tinned tuna.
- Tinned soup. Tinned hot dogs.
- Pasta sauces. Tinned vegetables.
- Family cereal. Porridge. Tinned fruit.
- Men's boxer shorts. Nappies Size 5.
- Warm coats, in good condition. Warm socks.
- Shower Gel. Soap. Towels in good condition.

Please can I request no pasta this month. Thank you. **All donated food items must have a long "use by" date, to be of use.** Please leave your donations in the church porch next Sunday, **2nd June**. Thank you for your support with this collection. Any queries, please contact *Margaret Bailie* on 941 1483.