

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, TILEHURST



St Joseph's Presbytery, Berkshire Drive, Tilehurst, Reading, RG31 5JJ

- 0118 942 8632 ✉ sjtilehurst@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
 - www.st-josephs-tilehurst.org.uk **f** <https://www.facebook.com/stjosephstilehurst>
Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth - Registered Charity No. 1199568
- Priest in charge : Fr Henry Jan Nkop MSP**
✉ hnpkop@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Parish Secretary:
Sheila Jones

Parish Office hours: 9 am – 12.30 pm
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

Safeguarding Representative:
Miriam da Cruz Fernandes

✉ safeguarding.reajo@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – 11TH MAY 2025

MASS INTENTIONS: SUNDAY, 11TH MAY – 18TH MAY 2025

| | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Saturday, 10 th May of the 3rd Week of Easter | 9 am | Rosary & Exposition |
| | 10 am | Private intention |
| | 10.30 am | First Confessions |
| | 5 pm <i>Vigil</i> | Tom McKeown RIP |
| Sunday, 11 th May FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | 8.30 am | Eileen Kerrigan's intentions |
| | 10.30 am | O J Cherian |
| Monday, 12 th May of the 4th Week of Easter | 10 am | Tom McKeown RIP |
| Tuesday, 13 th May of the 4th Week of Easter | 10 am | V V George RIP |
| Wednesday, 14 th May ST MATTHIAS, Apostle | 9.30 am | Brian Warnes RIP |
| Thursday, 15 th May of the 4th Week of Easter | | |
| Friday, 16 th May of the 4th Week of Easter | 7 pm | Maura McNeill RIP (<i>1st Anniversary of death</i>) |
| Saturday, 17 th May of the 4th Week of Easter | 9 am | <i>Rosary & Exposition</i> |
| | 10 am | |
| | 10.30 am | <i>Confessions</i> |
| | 10.30 am | First Holy Communion |
| | 1 pm | First Holy Communion |
| | 5 pm <i>Vigil</i> | Slawomir Wruszczak RIP |
| Sunday, 18 th May FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | 8.30 am | Pedro & Cathy and family for Good Health |
| | 10.30 am | Linda O'Brien RIP |

LECTIONARY FOR SUNDAYS & FEASTS: YEAR C

Please note only 10.30 am Sunday Mass and special Masses are live-streamed.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCruCvuFlvKVpml2vvGWdDKQ>

Fridays: 6 pm Exposition and quiet time followed by 7 pm Mass.

Saturdays: Exposition and Rosary at 9 am followed by 10 am Mass and confessions. **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

FR HENRY'S APPOINTMENTS:

Fr Henry is available for appointments on Wednesdays from 10.30 am – 12 noon.

"My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me." Let's unite as a Church to ask the Lord to inspire more hearts to hear His call and to follow Him in the priesthood and consecrated life. Trust that He knows each of us by name and will lead the right hearts to their vocation. Talk to your priest or contact Cn. John Cooke vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 0132 931 8869.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND

Gerard Tomas, Charles Livingston, Barbara Turner, Stefen Griffiths, Nina Aramo, Julie Thompson, Aldo Garzia, Pauline, Babs, Maggie Tranter, Jackie Hopper, Sisters of St Ann and all the people in Bamenda, Kevin & Mike Keep, Brigid, Adrian Robson, Alan Allen, Veronica Williams, Dan and Joe Newman, Helen, Dorothy McMahon, Tommy Barrett, Liz Darling, Lina O'Connor, Jenny Horton. If you would like to add a name to this list, or if you have any queries, please contact *Sheila* in the *Parish Office*.



18TH
MAY 2025
£32PP

“DO ALL THIS UNTO MY SPECIAL PLACE AND HONOR, AND ALL WHO ARE IN ANY WAY DISTRESSED OR IN NEED, LET THEM SEEK ME HERE IN THAT LITTLE HOUSE YOU HAVE MADE IN WALSINGHAM”

**ST JOSEPHS PARISH
WALSINGHAM**

PILGRIMAGE

DEPARTURE FROM ST JOSEPHS CHURCH
RG31 5JJ AT 5:30AM

CONTACT: ALINE PHILLIPS
07904569437

TRANSFER TO MARCELLE ALINE PHILLIPS
ACCOUNT NO: 20739494 SORT CODE: 54:21:28

CAKE SALE

After all Masses this weekend. Cake donations gratefully received. Proceeds will be divided between parish maintenance and local charities. *Thank you – Events Team.*



Reading Catechist Day

Saturday 24th May 10am - 1pm
English Martyrs Church, 64 Liebenrood Road, Reading,
RG30 2EB

An opportunity to meet with other catechists from across Reading. The day will consist of Mass followed by a time of prayer before formation from Fr Gaston Afah and an opportunity to share with catechists to hear what other parishes are doing and to learn from each other.

The Day

- 10:00am** Morning Mass
- 10:30am** Coffee and Welcome
- 10:45am** Prayer
- 11:00am** The Role of the Christian Community in Catechesis
Fr Gaston Afah Forbah (Episcopal Vicar for Evangelisation)
- 11:20am** A Catechist's Testimony
- 11:25am** Sharing with other Catechists
- 12:00pm** Questions and Comments
- 12:30pm** Lunch

Lunch will be provided on the day. Please mention any allergies when confirming your attendance via ffm@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS:
3RD/4TH MAY 2025

| | |
|----------------------------|---------|
| Gift Aid (envelopes) | £177.00 |
| Planned Giving (envelopes) | £5.00 |
| Loose Plate | £298.43 |

Donate to our parish by bank transfer in order to avoid any admin fees: A/C Name: CDP Reading St Joseph. Sort Code: 30-93-04. Account No. 00885992.

SECOND COLLECTION - THIS WEEKEND

The Clergy Training Fund second collection will take place next Sunday, 11th May: [Clergy Training Fund second collection 2025 | Give as you Live Donate](#). The Clergy Training Fund supports our seminarians, including the 11 men currently in formation for the priesthood, for the duration of their six or seven-year journey to ordination. The cost to sustain a seminarian is around £30,000 each year. Each seminarian brings to his training his own life experience and then participates in a comprehensive programme of formation pastorally, intellectually, humanly and spiritually. These are the men who will baptise and catechise the coming generations, and care for us on our pilgrim way: our generosity today is a legacy to the Church of tomorrow.

SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES

Sunday offering envelopes for 2025/26 are now available in the church porch. Please pick up your named box of envelopes. If you give by Standing Order or Direct Debit, please take your marked box and use the appropriate envelopes for second collections.



Our SVP Conference helps all who need support. We also provide help to SVP

Conferences in Sudan, India and to various foodbanks in Reading. Donations can be made directly to our bank account: Saint Vincent de Paul, Sort Code 60-60-04, Account No. 46075070, via the card reader machine or by completing a Standing Order form, available at the back of the church. Thank you for your generosity. SVP President: *Rita Boyce*

ritaur@yahoo.co.uk

DRIVERS: The SVP urgently needs volunteer drivers (men or women) for food centre deliveries in the Reading area. An estate car/small van would be ideal. Membership of the SVP is not required. Just a few hours a week, for a very worthwhile cause. For more details, please contact *Jack Ewins, SVP Treasurer - 0773 449 9190*.



A warm welcome to Marcelina Aife Balawender who is to be baptised here at St Joseph's next week.

Considering separation or are already divorced? If you are open to try again - Retrouvaille could be the solution: www.retrouvaille.org.uk 0797 338 0443.

TILEHURST DROP-IN CENTRE & FOODBANK



We are supporting 35 households with food, thanks to your donations. The number benefitting is increasing every month, so we appeal to your generosity for more donations. This week we are short of Weetabix/cornflakes, pot noodles, long life juice, long life milk, sugar, baked beans, oil (small/medium size), rice pudding, biscuits and wet wipes. Financial donations can be made to CDP Reading St Joseph. Sort Code: 30-93-04. Account No: 00885992. Include as a reference, 'Your Surname, Foodbank'. *Many thanks.*

BABY AND TODDLER GROUP



Thursdays from 8.45 am - 11.30 am in the large hall, *term-time only. All are welcome.*

SOURCE AND SUMMIT YOUTH GROUP

Our parish youth group for school students (aged 11-18), 'Source and Summit' meets on Wednesdays (term-time) from 6.30 pm - 8 pm for food, games and faith. *'You were not made for comfort; you were made for greatness' - Pope Benedict XVI.* If you want to get involved, contact *Lewis and Hannah: Lewisdowle2011@hotmail.co.uk*



GIFT AID BOX NO. 83

Would the parishioner who has taken home box number 83, please contact the Parish Office on 0118 942 8632, as soon as possible. *Thank you.*

CHURCH ITEMS

Fr Henry asks that you please consider donating towards:

- Two ciboriums £476.26 & £544.84
- Brass acolytes (x2) £700.00 each

Payment can be made via the card reader machine under the "Special" slot, the donations box in the church porch or by bank transfer referencing these items. *Any donation amount would be gratefully received.*

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

For those people who are not catholic, we can help you with R.C.I.A. and prepare you to become catholic at Easter next year. *Please send an email to the Parish Office, if you are interested.*



Join us: Everyone is Welcome!

Catholic Charismatic Renewal Meeting, 31st May 11.15 am until 1 pm. Live Streaming of Praise, Testimonies Talks, Prayer, and the Holy Spirit. **Faith, Hope and Love, the Greatest Gift is Love.** *If you are coming, please text John Foley 0776 925 1747, as this helps the catering.*