


# ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, TILEHURST



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## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT – 30<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2025

### MASS INTENTIONS: SUNDAY, 30<sup>TH</sup> MARCH – 6<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2025

Saturday, 29 <sup>th</sup> March <b>of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Lent</b>	9 am	<i>Rosary &amp; Exposition</i>
	10 am	Michael Seed's intentions
	10.30 am	<i>Confessions</i>
	5 pm <i>Vigil</i>	Pedro Antonio Fernandes & Lurdina Pereira RIP
Sunday, 30 <sup>th</sup> March <b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT</b>	8.30 am	Vidot François RIP
	10.30 am	Tom McKeown RIP
Monday, 31 <sup>st</sup> March <b>of the 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Lent</b>	10 am	Private intention
Tuesday, 1 <sup>st</sup> April <b>of the 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Lent</b>	10 am	James O'Shea RIP – <i>Foundation Mass</i>
Wednesday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> April <b>of the 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Lent</b>	9.30 am	
Thursday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> April <b>of the 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Lent</b>		
Friday, 4 <sup>th</sup> April <b>of the 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Lent</b>	6.30 pm	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>
	7 pm	Jacinto Roque Fernandes & Santana Baretto RIP
Saturday, 5 <sup>th</sup> April <b>of the 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Lent</b> Crosses [until after Good Friday Liturgy] and images [until the Easter Vigil] may now be veiled]	9 am	<i>Rosary &amp; Exposition</i>
	10 am	Parish Retreat
	<del>10.30 am</del>	<i>Confessions</i>
	5 pm <i>Vigil</i>	Don O'Sullivan RIP
Sunday, 6 <sup>th</sup> April <b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT</b>	8.30 am	Thanksgiving
	10.30 am	Terry Clarke 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.

### 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 (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. If you would like to add a name to this list, or if you have any queries, please contact Sheila in the Parish Office.

### ST JOSEPH'S PARISH PILGRIMAGE

We will travel to Walsingham at 5.30 am on 18<sup>th</sup> May - £32 pp. Contact Aline Phillips 0790 456 9437 for further details.



St Vincent  
de Paul Society  
England and Wales  
Turning Concern into Action

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* [ritaury@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ritaury@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.*

### QUIZ NIGHT

Sat 10th May. Save the date. *More details to follow.*

### DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

This year's Parish Passover Supper will be held on Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> April at 6.30 pm. Tickets will be on sale from 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> March. *More details to follow.*

### TILEHURST DROP-IN CENTRE & FOODBANK



Our Drop-in Centre and Foodbank is open every Wednesday, from 1 – 3 pm. The Foodbank is also open every Friday from 5 – 6.30 pm. This week, we are short of the following items:

***Peanut butter, cooking oil, tuna, pot noodles, mayonnaise, HPsauce, tinned fruit, cat food and inexpensive can openers.*** Many thanks for your donations. *John Foley - 0776 925 1747.*

### LENT CONFESSIONS IN THE PASTORAL AREA

St James: Every Saturday 5 - 5.40 pm  
English Martyrs: 12<sup>th</sup> April 9.45 am  
St Joseph's: 9<sup>th</sup> April 7 pm  
St John Bosco: 8<sup>th</sup> April 7 - 8 pm  
Our Lady of Peace: 12<sup>th</sup> April 9 am - 12 noon  
Christ the King: 10<sup>th</sup> April 7 pm

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.

*British Summer Time begins:  
Clocks go forward by 1 hour at 1 am  
on Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> March.*

### JOHN MCKENNA RIP

The parish offers condolences to the family of John McKenna who died recently. Please pray for the repose of John's soul. *Funeral details to follow.*

### LIFE CHARITY SPRING FAYRE

Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> April, 11 am – 1 pm at the English Martyrs Church Hall. Charities: LIFE, The Children's Society and Thames Valley Animal Rescue. Stalls: gifts, cards, toiletries, jewellery, plants, toys, bric-a-brac, also Avon, Handicrafts, cakes and more! Tombola, raffle, refreshments and a few children's make-and-take table. Admission free!

### ST JOSEPH'S PARISH RETREAT

Building a Eucharistic Community – A Day of Reflection led by Sr Veronica, OP, on Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> April from 10 am – 3.40 pm in the large hall. Mass – Retreat talks – Discussion – Adoration. Bring a packed lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided. All are welcome. *Donations towards costs will be gratefully received.*

### 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](mailto:Lewisdowle2011@hotmail.co.uk)



### SAINT JOSEPH'S FEAST

Thank you all very much for coming to help us celebrate the Feast of St Joseph on Sunday. A special thanks to everyone who brought a variety of wonderful homemade and shop-bought treats, to everyone who helped, and of course, to all our wonderful parishioners who supported us. A very enjoyable celebration. A wonderful get together. Thank you from the *Events Team.*

### PASSION PLAY IN READING ON 18TH & 19TH APRIL 2025

Following last year's success, Rise Theatre CIC, again perform their Passion Play in Forbury Gardens, Reading, on Good Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> April at 3.30 pm & Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> April at 3 pm. A FREE event. Bring a blanket or chair. The play includes a dramatic interpretation of the crucifixion, so parental guidance is advised. See [www.risetheatre.co.uk/passionplay](http://www.risetheatre.co.uk/passionplay) to WATCH THE VIDEO TRAILER. Please support this local initiative during the Easter weekend and invite your friends too!

*Wishing all mothers, a very Happy and Blessed Mother's Day!*

