

# ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, TILEHURST



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## PENTECOST SUNDAY – 19<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2024

### MASS INTENTIONS: SUNDAY, 19<sup>TH</sup> MAY – SUNDAY, 26<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2024

Saturday, 18 <sup>th</sup> May	5 pm	Confessions
	5.30 pm (Vigil)	Margaret Wilson RIP
Sunday, 19 <sup>th</sup> May	8.30 am	Jim Dempsey RIP
<b>PENTECOST SUNDAY</b>	10.30 am	John Allinson RIP
<b>ORDINARY TIME RESUMES (Week 7)</b>		
Monday, 20 <sup>th</sup> May	10 am	Collette Sheridan Yaylagul RIP
<b>The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church</b>		
Tuesday, 21 <sup>st</sup> May	10 am	Slawomir Wruszczak RIP
Wednesday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	9.30 am	Margaret Wilson RIP
Thursday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> May		
<b>OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, the ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST</b>		
Friday, 24 <sup>th</sup> May	7 pm	Caroline Hurst RIP
Saturday, 25 <sup>th</sup> May	5 pm	Confessions
<b>St Bede the Venerable, Religious, Doctor of the Church</b>	5.30 pm (Vigil)	Rose Doyle's intentions
Sunday, 26 <sup>th</sup> May	8.30 am	Billy Flynn RIP
<b>THE MOST HOLY TRINITY</b>	10.30 am	Martin Sheehan RIP
	5 pm	Syro Malabar

*\*Please note only 10.30 am Sunday Mass and special Masses are live-streamed:\**

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

Rosary and Morning Prayer at 9 am on Saturdays. *All are welcome.*

The church will be open for private prayer on Mondays & Tuesdays from 8.30 am until after morning Mass.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND

Gerard Tomas, Charles Livingston, Barbara Turner, Stefen Griffiths, Nina Aramo, Jo Boase, Julie Thompson, Aldo Garzia, Pauline, Babs & Don, Maggie Tranter, Jackie Hopper, Sisters of St Ann (in Bamenda), Kevin Keep, Brigid, Adrian Robson, Alan Allen, Veronica Williams, David Petersen, Colin Joseph, Helen, Eileen, Diane McDonnell, Dorothy McMahan, John McKenna. 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 Paul's school is anxious to always provide good quality Bibles for our children to use in class, but budget constraints have made this very difficult. We know that everyone's finances are constrained at present but wondered if any families would consider 'sponsoring' a Bible. The edition we use is the Good News Bible Catholic Edition, it costs £16. We would be delighted to place a dedication inside the front cover as a lasting memory of your gift. If you are able to make such a donation please place cash or a cheque to St Paul's Catholic Primary School in an envelope, addressed to the school, in the normal weekend collection.

### SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR OUR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CANDIDATES

A big **THANK YOU** to the First Holy Communion children, to their parents and the team of catechists who prepared the children, and to all involved in preparing the Church and the Liturgy for our beautiful celebration this weekend. We pray that the Lord will keep them faithful to Him in the years ahead and that the children will receive Him frequently in the Blessed Sacrament. Please continue to pray for them and their families.





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

Our SVP Conference extends their hand to the care and personal service of individuals and families who need help and support. We also provide help to SVP Conferences in both Sudan and India and to various foodbanks in the Reading area. Donations to support these causes can be made directly to our bank account: Saint Vincent de Paul, Sort Code 60-60-04, Account No 46075070; contactless 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*.



### TILEHURST DROP-IN CENTRE & FOODBANK



Many thanks for all your prayers, donations and support! This week we are short of **tinned corned beef/spam, packet potato and leek soup, instant mashed potato, whole/semi-skimmed long life milk, cornflakes/wheatabix, apple/orange juice, small bags of sugar, rice pudding and biscuits**, so would greatly appreciate donations of any of these items. Envelopes with cash donations marked with your name, Gift Aid number and "FOODBANK", can be placed in the collection basket or handed into the Parish Office. You can also use the cash machine in the foyer or pay directly into the parish bank account by including "YOUR NAME, FOODBANK" as a reference. Account Name: CDP Reading St Joseph. Sort Code: 30-93-04. Account No: 00885992. Any questions, please contact *John 0776 925 1747 or Alan 0790 569 5041*.

### C.I.R.D.I.C. MEN'S CLOTHING DONATIONS

Donations of clean and wearable clothes, underclothes and footwear for Adult Men (*not women or children*) are welcome on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of every month. Place items behind repository or in crying room for the parish to deliver to C.I.R.D.I.C.



### LIS DIOCESE OF PORTSMOUTH ON ZOOM

7 Sessions starting Thursdays, 6<sup>th</sup> June – 18<sup>th</sup> July from 7.30 – 9 pm Live Holy Spirit Day for course participants at St Bede's Church in Basingstoke on Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> June starting 9.30 am with Mass until 1 pm. Adoration at 8.30 am. Tea & coffee provided. Welcome to bring and share packed lunch afterwards. Please register here:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlIf--trDwjGNAuzzyTiLVcwy7lzHwq87dG> Free to all –

Crowdfunding to cover costs – <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/CHARISPortsmouth> [hLIFEINTHESPIRITcourse](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/CHARISPortsmouth)



A warm welcome to Bobbi Eileen Fletcher who is to be baptised here at St Joseph's this weekend.

### SUMMER FAMILY PICNIC AND SALE SUNDAY, 23<sup>RD</sup> JUNE

Our annual summer picnic will be held in the parish hall and garden straight after 10.30 mass on Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Please bring a picnic blanket and a picnic. Hot drinks will be available in the hall kitchen. There will also be items for sale. *Details to follow.*

### INVITATION TO ONLINE OPEN EVENING

Fr Gaston Afah, Episcopal Vicar for Evangelisation invites you to consider the new two year Certificate in Catechesis starting in September 2024 and to an online open evening, on Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30 pm with the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph. This Certificate is offered by the Dominican Sisters in Lymington, as part of their apostolate of Faith formation, Light of Truth and provides the essential formation necessary to Catechists in doctrinal and pastoral matters relevant to catechesis, in line with the new Directory for Catechesis and structured on the Catechism of the Catholic Church. More details can be found here: <https://www.lightoftruth.uk/certificate> Why not join the Sisters for an online open evening on Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30 pm. They will present all the features of their new Certificate and answer questions raised about it.

### TRAINING DAY FOR CATECHISTS

Led by the Dominican Sisters: 1<sup>st</sup> June from 10 am – 4 pm at the English Martyrs Church, 64 Liebenrood Road, Reading, RG30 2 EB. Day starts with Mass at 10 am. Bring a packed lunch. Pastoral area event - open to all catechists.

THE WAY MINISTRY READING

## EMERGENCY NIGHT SHELTER FOR HOMELESS PEOPLE





### Volunteers needed in shifts Fridays, Saturdays & Sundays

7.45pm to 10.15pm – Team leader, hosts & cooks  
10pm to 7.15 am – Overnight volunteers  
7.15am to 9.15am – Breakfast and set down



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**Opening on Friday 10th May 2024**  
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