


# ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, TILEHURST



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Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

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## SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 20<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2025

Dear Parishioners, I want to inform you that I will be on holiday starting from the 29th of this month and will be returning after a month. During this time, Fr Richard will be celebrating the Sunday Masses for you. Please note that there will be no weekday Masses during this period. However, the church will remain open for those who wish to come and pray. Please continue to support each other and keep our community in prayers. I look forward to reconnecting with all of you upon my return. **Fr Henry.**

### MASS INTENTIONS: SUNDAY, 20<sup>TH</sup> JULY – SUNDAY, 20<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2025

Saturday, 19 <sup>th</sup> July <b>Our Lady on Saturday</b>	9 am	Rosary & Exposition
	10 am	Barbara Turner RIP
	10.30 am	Confessions
	5 pm <i>Vigil</i>	Slawomir Wruszczak RIP
Sunday, 20 <sup>th</sup> July <b>SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	8.30 am	Jack Kerrigan RIP
	10.30 am	Niall Allison's intentions
Monday, 21 <sup>st</sup> July	10 am	Dorothy McMahon RIP
Tuesday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> July <b>ST MARY MAGDALENE</b> , feast	10 am	Dorothy McMahon RIP
Wednesday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> July <b>ST BRIDGET OF SWEDEN</b> , Foundress, Patron of Europe, feast	9.30 am	In thanksgiving to Cathy & Patrick
Thursday, 24 <sup>th</sup> July		
Friday, 25 <sup>th</sup> July <b>ST JAMES</b> , Apostle, feast	7 pm	Praseena Varghese RIP and Eliamma Ulahannan RIP
Saturday, 26 <sup>th</sup> July <b>Ss Joachim &amp; Anne</b> , Parents of Our Lady, memorial	9 am	Rosary & Exposition
	10 am	People of the parish
	10.30 am	Confessions
	<b>12.30 pm</b>	Marriage: Joseph Tochukwu Anyasoro & Katy Corderoy
	5 pm <i>Vigil</i>	Tom McKeown RIP
	8.30 am	Kerrigan's family's intentions
Sunday, 27 <sup>th</sup> July <b>SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	10.30 am	Michael Robinson's intentions

### 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/UCruCvuFlvKVpmI2vvGWdDKQ>

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!**

**THE CHURCH WILL BE OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER**

**FROM 8.30 AM – 2 PM ON MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY. ALL ARE WELCOME.**

### FR HENRY'S APPOINTMENTS:

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

**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS:**  
**5<sup>TH</sup>/6<sup>TH</sup> & 12<sup>TH</sup>/13<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2025**

Gift Aid (envelopes)	£409.60
Planned Giving (envelopes)	£5.00
Loose Plate	£616.81
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£1,031.41</b>
<b>Stella Maris</b>	<b>£498.65</b>

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

**HELP WITH COMPUTER**

We are in need of more people to help with the computer during Mass. Full training and support will be given. If you would like to know more please talk to Fr Henry or the Parish Office.



**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*

[ritaur@yahoo.co.uk](mailto: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. For more details, please contact *Jack Ewins, SVP Treasurer* – 0773 449 9190.

**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.*

**CAFOD IS HIRING**

Could you inspire Catholics to participate in the Church's mission, working to overcome poverty and injustice? Do you want to work for CAFOD and encourage support and partnership within the Church? We are looking for a Community Participation Coordinator to work in the Diocese of Portsmouth. Follow the link for more details and please pass on to any friends or relatives who might be interested. **Closing date 27<sup>th</sup> July.** See [cafod.org.uk/work-with-us](http://cafod.org.uk/work-with-us)



A warm welcome to Kenayah Rose Gracias who is to be baptised here at St Joseph's this weekend.

*"Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, and it will not be taken from her." Consider prioritizing time with God, following Mary's example. Are you being called to dedicate your life to prayer and service in the Church as a consecrated religious? Talk to your priest or contact Cn. John Cooke [vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) or call 0132 931 8869.*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND**

Gerard Tomas, Charles Livingston, Stefen Griffiths, Nina Aramo, Julie Thompson, 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, 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*.

**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)



Society for the **Protection**  
of Unborn Children

We are calling on all parishes across the country to join the fightback and raise awareness of our work. To express an interest in our work, please complete a postcard and return it to the Parish Office for posting. *Thank you.*

**TILEHURST DROP-IN CENTRE & FOODBANK**



We are supporting approximately 35 households with food and household products, thanks to your very generous donations. This week, we are short of tinned corned beef/ham/spam, tinned spaghetti hoops, tinned potatoes, pasta sauce, coffee, sugar, juice, toothpaste and shower gel. Financial donations can be made to CDP Reading St Joseph. Sort Code: 30-93-04. Account No: 00885992. Please include as a reference, 'Your Surname, Foodbank'. *Many thanks.*

**MARCH FOR LIFE - 6<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

The SPUC Reading Branch is hiring a coach to go to March for Life on 6<sup>th</sup> September. No fixed cost but a suggested donation of £20 for those who can afford it. The coach will depart from St William of York Church with the ability to park in the car park. Please use the following form to sign up [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSek5dbAkTr8Dhba6UhnN4VbNQflaf1B4nz2tx\\_o28cxQzEMtA/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSek5dbAkTr8Dhba6UhnN4VbNQflaf1B4nz2tx_o28cxQzEMtA/viewform) or email *Christopher Cahill* at [spucreading@gmail.com](mailto:spucreading@gmail.com).



Our next mini retreat will be on **Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> July** in St Joseph's Church and small hall. Mass in Church 10 am. Rosary in the Hall 10.45 am. Live Streaming of ADORE event 11.15 am. Prayers for Healing 1 - 1.30 pm. **Speaker: John Hesketh.** Theme: **Pilgrims of Hope 'Provision for the Journey'.**

***Please note there will not be a meeting in August.***  
**Next event Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> September.**