ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, TILEHURST



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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – 25TH MAY 2025

MASS INTENTIONS: SUNDAY, 25 TH MAY – 1 ST JUNE 2025			
Saturday, 24 th May	9 am	Rosary & Exposition	
of the 5 th Week of Easter	10 am	Caroline Hurst RIP	
	10.30 am	Confessions	
	5 pm <i>Vigil</i>	Don O'Sullivan RIP	
Sunday, 25 th May	8.30 am	Terry Clarke RIP	
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	10.30 am	Lina O'Connor's intentions	
	5 pm	Syro Malabar	
Monday, 26 th May	10 am	Private intention	
St Philip Neri , Priest, Founder			
Tuesday, 27 th May	10 am	Sally Arnot RIP	
ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, Bishop			
Wednesday, 28 th May	9.30 am		
of the 6 th Week of Easter			
Thursday, 29 th May	10 am	Margaret & Martin Burke RIP	
THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD, solemnity	7 pm	Tom McKeown RIP	
Friday, 30 th May	7 pm	Ann Edwards RIP	
of the 6 th Week of Easter after Ascension			
Saturday, 31 st May	9 am	Rosary & Exposition	
THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED	10 am	Thanksgiving for good health & all	
VIRGIN MARY		blessings received	
	10.30 am	Confessions	
	5 pm <i>Vigil</i>	Marianna & family members RIP	
Sunday, 1 st June	8.30 am	John McKenna RIP	
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	10.30 am	Elsie Loftus RIP	

LECTIONARY FOR SUNDAYS & FEASTS: YEAR C

Please note only 10.30 am Sunday Mass and special Masses are live-streamed: <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCruCvuFlvKVpmI2vvGWdDKQ</u>

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!

BEGINNING ON <u>MONDAY, 23RD JUNE</u>, THE CHURCH WILL BE OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER FROM 8.30 AM – 2 PM ON MONDAY, TUESDAY & THURSDAY EACH WEEK. *ALL ARE WELCOME*.

FR HENRY'S APPOINTMENTS:

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

"The Holy Spirit will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you." How has the Holy Spirit spoken to or guided you? Do you feel called to the priesthood, consecrated life, or sacramental marriage? Talk to your priest or contact Cn. John Cooke vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 0132 931 8869.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS: 17TH/18TH MAY 2025

Gift Aid (envelopes)	£198.00
Planned Giving (envelopes)	£20.00
Loose Plate	£337.20
TOTAL	£555.20

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.

SECOND COLLECTION

Next weekend for Catholic Communications Network.

SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES

Sunday offering envelopes for 2025/26 are now available in the church porch. 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. For more details, please contact Jack Ewins, SVP Treasurer -0773 449 9190.

TILEHURST DROP-IN CENTRE & FOODBANK



We are supporting 35 households with food, thanks to your donations. The number benefitting is increasing. This week short of we are Weetabix/cornflakes, pot noodles, tinned

whole/semi-skimmed meat, long life milk. apple/orange juice, oil (small/medium size), shampoo and shower gel. 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.

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.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FIRST HOLY COMMUNICANTS!

A big **THANK YOU** to the 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 last 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 JOSEPH'S BABY AND TODDLER GROUP

Thursdays from 8.45 am – 11.30 am in the large hall, term-time only. All are welcome. After many years of hard work and devotion, Cathy has decided to step down from the Toddler Group at the end of the summer term. If you would like to ensure that the Toddler Group can continue by committing to take it over, please contact the Parish Office.

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 am - 1 pm at St Joseph's Small Church Hall, Berkshire Drive, Tilehurst RG31 5JJ. 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.

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*



CARITAS

Charity and Volunteer Networking Event – Saturday, 7th June at John the Baptist Parish in Andover (SP10 3AD) from 2.30 -4.30 pm. Everyone welcome. There is plenty of parking at the parish and close by and it is a less than 10 minute walk from the station. For more information and a flyer visit:

https://caritasportsmouth.org.uk or email caritas@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

ALL PARISH KEYHOLDERS

We are trying to update the list of parish keyholders. If you have any parish keys or keysafe codes, we would be grateful for your name, contact details and key information. Please post a note through the letter box or email the Parish Office. Thank you.