

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, TILEHURST



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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – 12TH MAY 2024

MASS INTENTIONS: SUNDAY, 12TH MAY – SUNDAY, 19TH MAY 2024

Saturday, 11 th May	10.30 am	First Confessions
	5 pm 5.30 pm (Vigil)	Confessions Kath & Michael Conroy RIP
Sunday, 12 th May SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	8.30 am	Lindamira Stephens RIP
	10.30 am	Margaret Wilson RIP
	5 pm	Syro Malabar
Monday, 13 th May of the 7 th Week of Easter	10 am	Margaret Wilson RIP
Tuesday, 14 th May ST MATTHIAS, Apostle	10 am	Margaret Wilson RIP
Wednesday, 15 th May of the 7 th Week of Easter	9.30 am	Eamon McNeill's intentions and Maura McNeill RIP
Thursday, 16 th May of the 7 th Week of Easter		
Friday, 17 th May of the 7 th Week of Easter	7 pm	Porferio Ga-an RIP
Saturday, 18 th May of the 7 th Week of Easter	10.30 am	First Holy Communion
	1 pm	First Holy communion
	5 pm 5.30 pm (Vigil)	Confessions Margaret Wilson RIP
	8.30 am 10.30 am	Jim Dempsey RIP John Allinson RIP
Sunday, 19 th May PENTECOST SUNDAY		

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 McMahon, 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.



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 packet soup, instant mash, white rice, whole/semi-skimmed long life milk, cereal, apple/orange juice, small jars of coffee and small bags of sugar, 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 1st Sunday of every month. Place items behind repository or in crying room for the parish to deliver to C.I.R.D.I.C.



DEMENCIA FRIENDS



Caritas Portsmouth is hosting Sue Carter from the Alzheimer's Society, to run a Dementia Friends Information Session for anyone interested in hosting a Dementia Café, looking to make their parish more Dementia Friendly or just want to know more to support people in their family or community. The session will be held online on Tuesday, 21st May at 7 pm. Please register in advance at <https://tinyurl.com/4ysur27w> For more information please contact us at caritas@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or visit <https://caritasportsmouth.org.uk>

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS: 4TH/5TH MAY 2024

Gift Aid (envelopes)	£259.00
Loose Plate	£377.59
TOTAL	£636.59

SECOND COLLECTION: WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY - 12TH MAY 2024

Pope Francis' message for World Communications Day 2024 follows the theme 'Artificial Intelligence and the Wisdom of the Heart: Towards a Fully Human Communication'. He asks how we can remain fully human and guide this cultural transformation to serve a good purpose? You can read the full message here

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/wcd24-papal-message>. Please place your offering into the collection plate, via the Parish Office, card reader, bank transfer or via the online link which incurs an admin fee:

<https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/campaign/world-communications-day-second-collection-2024> The Second Collection for World Communications Day assists the Church to support this theme and to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with people throughout the world.

DONA CARD MACHINE

MORE FUNDS available for contactless card donations. The card machine shows 4 funds. Please use the 'Next' button to show more funds: Sunday Offering, Second Collection (e.g. Clergy Training), Repository, Current Event (e.g. Quiz night), Tea/Coffee (for Divine Mercy), SVP and Foodbank.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEDICATION OF THE CHURCH - 6TH MAY 2024

Last Monday, Mass to commemorate the 21st anniversary was celebrated. After Mass, quite a few people asked me whose relics were deposited in the altar. My late father, being the eldest Mass attending parishioner at the time, had the honour of placing in the Reliquary (an aperture in the altar) the relics of St Maria Goretti, St John Vianney and St Pius X. A copy of the signing of the record of the Dedication was placed with the relics and the Reliquary was sealed. *Mike Tomas*.

TRAINING DAY FOR CATECHISTS

Led by the Dominican Sisters: 1st 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.

SUMMER FAMILY PICNIC AND SALE SUNDAY, 23RD JUNE

Our annual summer picnic will be held in the parish hall and garden straight after 10.30 mass on Sunday, 23rd 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*.