

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, TILEHURST



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Ss PETER & PAUL – 28TH JUNE 2026

Saturday, 27 th June Our Lady on Saturday	9 am	Rosary & Exposition
	10 am	Fr Richard Maniak
	10.30 am	Confessions
	5 pm Vigil	Paddy Joyce RIP
Sunday, 28 th June Ss PETER & PAUL , Apostles, solemnity	8.30 am	Elizabeth Gregory RIP
	*10.30 am	John Drake RIP
	5 pm	Syro Malabar
Monday, 29 th June	10 am	Paddy Murphy RIP
Tuesday, 30 th June	10 am	Paddy Joyce RIP
Wednesday, 1 st July	9.30 am	Mary O'Shea RIP
Thursday, 2 nd July		
Friday, 3 rd July ST THOMAS , Apostle	6 pm	First Friday Devotion <i>every first Friday of the month</i>
	7 pm	Thanksgiving from the D'Silva family
Saturday, 4 th July Our Lady on Saturday	9 am	Rosary & Exposition
	10 am	Paddy Joyce RIP
	10.30 am	Confessions
	5 pm Vigil	Souls in Purgatory
Sunday, 5 th July FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	8.30 am	Sebastiana Rato RIP
	*10.30 am	In Thanksgiving for Cathy & Carmen

*Please note only 10.30 am Sunday Mass and special Masses are live-streamed: [*https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCruCvuFlvKVpmI2vvGWdDKQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCruCvuFlvKVpmI2vvGWdDKQ)

LECTIONARY FOR SUNDAYS & FEASTS: YEAR A



Please register with the parish:

Adult Parishioner
Registration Form. Please
click the link to the online
form here [REAJO Adult
Parishioner Registration Form](#)
or scan the QR code here:



Child Parishioner Registration
Form. Please click the link to
the online form here [REAJO Child
Parishioner Registration Form](#)
or scan the QR code here:



Printed copies and pens are available in the church porch. Please post your completed form through the letter box of the Parish Office as soon as you have completed it today. *Thank you for your co-operation.*

GIFT AID DECLARATION RENEWALS

If you have previously submitted a Gift Aid declaration form for St Joseph's, Tilehurst - HMRC now requires us to update your Gift Aid declaration. We can no longer rely on the old PRCDTR declarations; it must be in the name and Charity Number of CDP, due to HMRC rules. This declaration allows us to claim tax refunds on the donations you make.

There are a few options available to you:

- You can click the link below to access and complete the updated Gift Aid Declaration form online. <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=aXEQD-Bnr06EKJ6fBel0q4Rua0kQk-BPsiWqtSnqkZFUMjdWVEVONDVXRzU4VIRVNkRRSVE4STQ00C4u>
- You can scan the QR code displayed here:
- You can complete a paper form - available in the church porch.



If you would like any assistance, please let us know and a member of the Finance Team can advise and help, as required.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:

PETER'S PENCE - 27TH /28TH JUNE

Peter's Pence is the name for the financial support offered by the faithful to the Holy Father as a sign of sharing in the concern of the Successor of Peter for the many different needs of the Universal Church, and for the relief of those most in need. The faithful's offerings to the Holy Father are destined to Church needs, humanitarian initiatives, and social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See. The practice of providing material support to those charged with preaching the Gospel is as old as Christianity itself.

ST PATRICK'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY - 4TH/5TH JULY



We are pleased to announce that the Diocese of Portsmouth has approved St Patrick's Missionary Society (SPS) to make a Mission Appeal. They will visit our parish next weekend for this special appeal. Please keep them in your prayers and support their important Mission, including during the second collection.

Web: <http://www.spms.org>. Email: Office@stpatricksuk.co.uk.
242 Brooklands Road, Weybridge, Surrey, KT13 ORD.

STELLA MARIS (FORMERLY CALLED APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA) - 11TH/12TH JULY

The Catholic Church's maritime charity. Seafarers lead hard and dangerous lives. This Sea Sunday your gifts and prayers will help seafarers and fishers get the support they need. Stella Maris chaplains and volunteers are working in ports up and down this country, and across the world: but they cannot do it without your support.



For both of the above collections, please give by bank transfer, card reader machine, your Gift Aid envelope or donate online (admin fee incurred).

!!DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!!

A Mass in Thanksgiving for Cathy Weafer and Carmen following their many years of hard work and devotion to the parish will be celebrated at 10.30 am on Sunday, 5th July. *All are welcome.*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026/2027

If your child is in Year 3 or above and has been baptised, they're ready to start this beautiful journey toward Jesus in the Eucharist! Preparation sessions for First Holy Communion will commence from November 2026. An inaugural Mass for candidates and parents will take place on Saturday, 7th November at 10 am, followed by a talk by Fr Henry on key information about the First Holy Communion programme. Sessions will be held at St Joseph's parish hall on Mondays at 4.30 pm. Forms are available on the parish website, in the church porch and from St Paul's School Office. Please return completed forms to the Parish Office or St Paul's School Office by **Monday, 14th September 2026.**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND

Gerard, Charles, Stefen, Nina, Julie, Pauline, Babs, Maggie, Jackie, Kevin & Mike, Brigid, Adrian, Veronica, Dan and Joe, Helen, Tommy, Liz, Lina, Anna, Pat.

**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS:
20TH/21ST JUNE 2026**

Gift Aid (envelopes)	£240.00
Planned Giving (envelopes)	£20.00
Loose Plate	£368.29
TOTAL	£628.29
Fr Richard's collection	£391.39

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.

ST JOSEPH'S ROSARY ONLINE

We come together each evening at 8 pm to pray the Rosary as a community. Come as you are, and bring your intentions with you. Please click on the following link, or copy & paste it into your browser: <https://us05web.zoom.us/j/87447414187?pwd=xXHtnEeG02u35lST6F9uPEJH0d5dnP.1> Meeting ID: 874 4741 4187. Passcode: BtM9sX

ST JOSEPH'S BABY & TODDLER GROUP



On Thursdays from 8.45 am – 11.30 am in the large hall, *term-time only. All are welcome.*



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

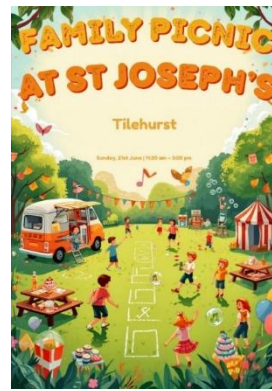
Our SVP Conference helps all who need support. We also provide help to SVP

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

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 approximately 40 households with food and household products. Many thanks for your very generous donations. This week, we are short of **tinned tuna, tinned spaghetti hoops, tinned tomatoes, packet soup, peanut butter, ketchup, long life juice and squash.** Financial donations can be made to CDP Reading St Joseph. Sort Code: 30-93-04. Account No: 00885992. Please include as a reference, 'Foodbank'. Many thanks.



THANK YOU to everyone who joined us to celebrate the parish family picnic last Sunday. We had a wonderful day with some families taking advantage of the sunny day and picnicking in the garden. While others picnicked inside and joined in the table tennis tournament. The event was topped off with a visit from the ice cream van.

Amazingly, we raised £200 which we will be put towards repairing windows in the church hall.

Thank you very much to a parishioner who donated a small lawn mower to St Joseph's gardening team. The lawn mower is very much appreciated. *Events Team.*

"You are Peter, and on this rock, I will build my Church." Following Christ means embracing sacrifice. Are you willing to carry your cross, offering your hopes and dreams to follow Him and discover true peace and purpose? Have you asked God what He is calling you to in your life? Talk to your priest or contact Cn. John Cooke. vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869

ST JOSEPH'S HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP

The St Joseph's Holy Spirit Prayer Group meets every first and third Tuesday in the small room at the back of the church from 7 – 9 pm. *Everyone is welcome.*



THANK YOU! FROM FR RICHARD

I want to thank all those who worked so hard on my 40th Anniversary of Ordination celebration Mass and reception on Sunday, 14th June - those who prepared the liturgy, the music, the food, and the warm welcome.

Thank you for your prayers, your patience, your encouragement, and your love. May God, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion. And may His blessing be upon each of you, now and always.

SOURCE AND SUMMIT 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



**PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF
OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM:
ENGLISH MARTYRS AND ST JOSEPH'S PARISHES**

Date: Saturday, 4th July - Leave English Martyrs by coach at 5.30 am. Return to English Martyrs by coach at approximately 9 pm. There will be a brief break on each journey. Picnic Lunch will be needed.



Any queries to:

Chris Ferreira- christabel1850@gmail.com

Aline Phillips alinephillips1@aol.co.uk

Fr Gaston gforbah@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Price: £40. Payment - Parish Bank details: A/C

Name CDP Reading

English Martyrs.

Sort Code: 30-93-04.

Account No.

00885666.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Thinking about becoming a Catholic, or simply curious to know more? Join our RCIA course where you will find a warm and friendly space for adults to explore and learn more at their own pace. It is open to anyone who is not yet baptised, baptised Christians from other traditions, or anyone considering becoming Catholic. Coming along does not commit you to making a final decision. Sessions begin in September 2026 - Easter 2027. If you would like to find out more, please contact the Parish Office.

DIOCESAN MISSION MASS

We are invited to a special Mission Mass to celebrate 90 years of the Red Box. It will take place at Corpus Christi, Sturges Road, Wokingham, RG40 2HE, on Saturday, 4th July at 11 am. The celebrants will be Fr Anthony Chantry MHM, the Missio National Director and Fr Johnpromise Umeozuru, the Missio Diocesan Director. We are also invited to a shared lunch afterwards. RSVP to redbox@missio.org.uk or phone 0759 354 4622.

The Summer magazines are available at the back of the church; you are welcome to take one whether you support Missio or not.

The Boxes are now due to be emptied; please hand yours into the Sacristy after Mass or hand it into the Parish office (office hours only). Mike Tomas, APF Missio Secretary.



PARISH MINSTRIES MEETING

Father Henry would like to meet the leaders of all ministries together with your team members to discuss thoughts and ideas. *For convenience, Fr Henry suggests these meetings be held after 10.30 am Mass on any Sunday.* Please liaise with your team members to decide on a suitable date for everyone involved. The ministries concerned are: Cleaners, Altar Servers, Flower Arrangers, Catechists, Gardeners, Eucharistic Ministers, Events Team, Repository, Welcomers, Maintenance, Readers, IT/AV screen/laptop/web site, Choir, Children's Liturgy, Liturgy, Confirmation, SVP, Foodbank Team, Sacristans.

