ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, TILEHURST



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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - BAMENDA SUNDAY - 3RD NOVEMBER

MASS INTENTIONS: SATURDAY, 3 RD NOVEMBER - SUNDAY, 10 TH NOVEMBER 2024					
Saturday, 2 nd November	10 am	All Souls RIP			
Commemoration of ALL SOULS	10.30 am	Confessions			
	12.30 pm	All Souls RIP			
(Vigil Mass for Sunday)	5 pm	Deceased members of the parish (1 of 7)			
Sunday, 3 rd November	8.30 am	Vidot François, Marie Thérèse			
THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		& Joseph Capron RIP			
	10.30 am	Wendy Kelly RIP			
Monday, 4th November	10 am	John O'Shea RIP – Foundation Mass			
St Charles Borromeo, Bishop					
Tuesday, 5 th November	10 am	Deceased members of the parish (2 of 7)			
Wednesday, 6 th November	9.30 am	Gene Ignatowski RIP – Foundation Mass			
Thursday, 7 th November					
Friday, 8th November	7 pm	Baby Jeswin Jery RIP			
Saturday, 9th November	10 am	Marian and deceased members of the			
THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA	10.30 am	Falenta & Wiejak families RIP			
(Vigil Mass for Sunday)		Confessions			
	5 pm	Graham Ward RIP			
Sunday, 10 th November	8.30 am	Deceased members of the parish (3 of 7)			
THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.30 am	Deceased members of the Rato/Rodrigues			
Remembrance Sunday		families RIP			
	5 pm	Syro Malabar			

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

https://www.voutube.com/channel/UCruCvuFlvKVpmI2vvGWdDKQ

Saturdays: Rosary and Morning Prayer at 9 am followed by 10 am Mass and confessions.

	SUNDAY, 3 RD NOVEMBER		
	Mayes Lane Cemetery	3 pm	
T	SUNDAY, 10 TH NOVEMBER		
•	Henley Road Cemetery	2.30 pm	
BLESSING OF THE	St Michael's Graveyard	2 pm	
	SUNDAY, 17 TH NOVEMBER		
GRAVES	Purley Burial Ground	12.30 pm	
	Pangbourne Hill Cemetery	1 pm	
	St Mary's, Purley	1.20 pm	

NOVEMBER - HOLY SOULS

The following designated Masses will be offered in November for our departed loved ones:

There will be a basket in front of the Sanctuary to receive your petitions. *Please do not place any offerings in the basket;* instead, pass them to the *Parish Office. Thank you.*

1	Saturday, 2nd	5 pm
2	Tuesday, 5 th	10 am
3	Sunday, 10 th	8.30 am
4	Monday, 11th	10 am
5	Sunday, 17 th	10.30 am
6	Wednesday, 20th	9.30 am
7	Sunday, 24th	8.30 am

DON O'SULLIVAN RIP



Please pray for the repose of the soul of Don O'Sullivan who died on 28th October. Don's Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, 14th November at 12.30 pm at St Luke's RC Church, Englefield Road, Theale, RG7 5AS, followed by cremation at West Berkshire Crematorium at 2 pm. *All are welcome*.

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 (in Bamenda), Kevin & Mike Keep, Brigid, Adrian Robson, Alan Allen, Veronica Williams, Colin Joseph, Helen, Dorothy McMahon, John McKenna, Tommy Barrett, Tom McKeown, Liz Darling. If you would like to add a name to this list, or if you have any queries, please contact Sheila in the Parish Office.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS: 26TH/27TH OCTOBBER 2024

Gift Aid (envelopes)	£225.00
Planned Giving (envelopes)	£40.00
Loose Plate	£324.97
TOTAL	£589.97

SOURCE AND SUMMIT YOUTH GROUP



Our parish youth group for secondary school students (aged 11-18) called 'Source and Summit' will be on Wednesday evenings (term-time) from 6.30 - 8 pm. There will be food, games and faith. 'You were not made for comfort, you were made for greatness' - Pope Benedict XVI. If you

want to get involved, please see Lewis and Hannah.

GARDENING HELP NEEDED

Can you volunteer some time? We need help cutting back the ivy and trimming shrubs. Any help will be very welcome. Please drop your name into the Parish Office.

SUGGESTION BOX

There is a suggestion box in the church porch: Please use it to make suggestions, give feedback, volunteer etc. The contents will be reviewed by members of the Coordinating Team. Thank-you!

CHRISTMAS-THEMED QUIZ AND SUPPER NIGHT: SATURDAY, 9TH NOVEMBER AT 6.45 PM

Last chance to buy tickets for our Quiz and Supper Night. Ticket price £12 includes fish and chips or pasty and chips. Payment can be made in cash or using the 'St Jo Event' button on the DONA machine.

MISSING COUNTER - PLEASE CHECK YOUR POCKETS!



To whom it may concern: Please return the counter to the Parish Office so that it can be used again next year. Thank you.

!!CHRISTMAS CARDS, CANDLES & CALENDARS ON **SALE NOW AT THE REPOSITORY!!**

ST JOSEPH'S CHRISTMAS FAIR SATURDAY, 23RD & SUNDAY, 24TH NOVEMBER

St Joseph's parish Christmas Fair will be on Saturday, 23rd & Sunday, 24th November after Masses. We would appreciate the following donations please:

- Bottles wine, spirits.
- Hamper items Christmas cakes, preserves, biscuits, chutney, nuts, chocolates, jams, coffee, tea and wine.
- Hand wash, candles, room scent, sanitiser, hand
- Jewellery.
- Any unwanted and unused good quality items.

Please place the donations in the *Christmas Fair* donations box in the porch or give them to one of the church welcomers. Proceeds from the Christmas fair this year will be donated to supplement church funds for ongoing maintenance and new projects. Thank you for your support - Events Team.

TILEHURST DROP-IN CENTRE & FOODBANK



Many thanks for supporting the Tilehurst Drop-in Centre & Foodbank with your prayers and generous donations. Our Drop-in Centre and Foodbank is open every

Wednesday, from 1 – 3 pm and every Friday from 5 – 630 pm here at St Joseph's. For those able to donate, this week TDICF is short of the following items: Long-life milk, Weetabix, packet soup, Marmite and ketchup. Many thanks for your donations. John Foley - 0776 925 1747.

BAMENDA SUNDAY

Sunday, 3rd November is Bamenda Sunday. The annual Bamenda Sunday Newsletter has now been published, link here - Bamenda Sunday News 2024. This year, we mark a very special anniversary, namely its golden jubilee. Fifty years ago, Bishop Worlock and Bishop Verdzekov of the then newly established Diocese of Bamenda, initiated the twinning as a practical demonstration of St Pope Paul VI's Vatican II document "Gaudium et Spes". Donations can be made via the second collection, Gift Aid envelopes, card reader or online securely at:

https://www.bamendaandportsmouth.com/donate.php Thank you for your generosity!

SISTERS OF ST ANN, BAMENDA

Some parishioners will be aware that, for many years, we have been supporting the Sisters of St Ann in our twin diocese of Bamenda in their work with the poor and needy, the homeless and displaced in their community. The first project we helped with was the building of the Divine Mercy Centre in 2012 followed by a series of educational, health and welfare projects. The money we raise comes from the donations made for tea/coffee on Sunday mornings and for the past couple of years, the Silvertones Choir who meet in the hall on Mondays have been generously donating their coffee money as well which has increased the funds significantly. We have recently been able to send £675 to the Sisters for which they send their sincere thanks. I am in direct contact with the Sister Superior who sends photos and details of how they use the money and there is a display board in the hall showing the various projects we have supported over the years. Please help us to continue supporting the Sisters in their work by joining us for tea/coffee after 10.30 am Mass on Sundays and making a small cash donation or, alternatively, there is button for donations on the card reader in the porch. Ann Epps.