

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, TILEHURST



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TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 21ST JUNE 2026

Saturday, 20 th June Our Lady on Saturday	9 am	Rosary & Exposition
	10.30 am	Confessions
	10 am – 1 pm	Syro Malabar First Holy Communion
	5 pm Vigil	Margaret, Dennis & Mark Froud RIP
Sunday, 21 st June TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	8.30 am	Monika Kamysz RIP
	*10.30 am	Slawomir Wruszczak RIP
Monday, 22 nd June Ss JOHN FISHER, Bishop & THOMAS MORE, Martyrs, feast	10 am	
Tuesday, 23 rd June	10 am	
Wednesday, 24 th June THE NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, solemnity	9.30 am	
Thursday, 25 th June		
Friday, 26 th June	6 pm	First Friday Devotion <i>every first Friday of the month</i>
	6 pm	Exposition
	7 pm	
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

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

Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth -
Gift Aid Declaration Form



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

!!DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!!

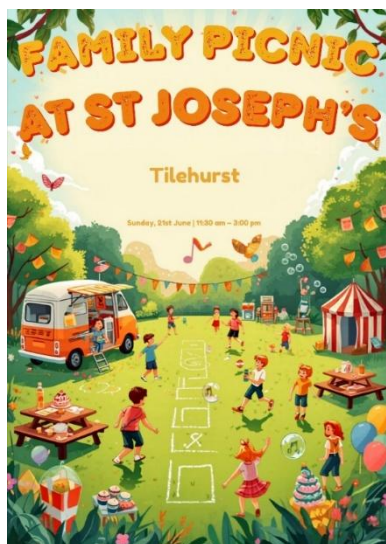
A Mass in Thanksgiving for Cathy Weafer and Carmen following their many years of hard work and devotion to the parish will be celebrated at 10.30 am on Sunday, 5th July. *All are welcome.*

PARISH MINISTRIES MEETING

Father Henry would like to meet the leaders of all ministries together with your team members to discuss thoughts and ideas. 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. Would you kindly indicate the most suitable days/times for a meeting and let us know your availability.

FR HENRY'S ANNUAL LEAVE

Fr Henry began his two-week break last weekend. We thank Fr Richard for kindly covering the two weekend's Sunday Masses. In the meantime, there will be no mid-week Masses. Fr Henry will celebrate his first Mass back with us on Saturday, 27th June at 10 am.



Please join us this Sunday from 11.30 am for our Parish Summer Picnic. *All are welcome.* Please bring a picnic and mat and umbrella or gazebo if you have one. The Fundraising Events Team has suggested that all donations will be put towards the cost of a small lightweight lawnmower and replacement of some rotten windows in the main hall. Please use StJo-Events fund, if using the card machine.

For 10.30 am parishioners only: The Dona card machine will be in the main hall after Mass. Please go to the hall to make all your donations today. *Thank you.*

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.**

**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS:
6TH/7TH & 13TH/14TH JUNE 2026**

Gift Aid (envelopes)	£435.35
Planned Giving (envelopes)	£60.00
Loose Plate	£909.55
TOTAL	£1,404.90
Fr Richard's collection	£452.72

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.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

Day for Life - 20th/21st June

Catholics across England and Wales will mark Day for Life, the day in the Church's year dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. This year's theme is 'The Wonder of the Child in the womb'. Parenthood is a vocation of joys and hopes, of grief and anxieties. On this year's Day for Life, we acknowledge the particular grief of mothers and fathers who have lost a child before birth or in infancy. Many parents find consolation in their faith and its assurance that every child, including those who lose their life before they are born or soon after, is created, willed and deeply loved by God from all eternity.

<https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/campaign/day-for-life-second-collection-2026>

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.

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

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.

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.



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.



"Do not fear; you are more valuable than many sparrows." Holy matrimony calls spouses to place Christ at the centre of their lives and to reflect His love by cherishing and serving one another. Could God be inviting you to this vocation of faithful love and self-sacrifice? If so, seek guidance from a married couple you admire and ask how they live out their commitment to each other and to Christ.

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.*



**HEALING RETREAT AT
THE ENGLISH MARTYRS CHURCH, READING**

We shall be having a healing retreat, facilitated by Fr Joseph Edattu from the Divine Retreat Centre on Friday, 26th June, 5 - 9 pm. Let us continue our faith and pray for a future filled with hope.

LEAVING A GIFT IN YOUR WILL

Many parishioners choose to leave a gift to their parish in their will. These gifts are greatly appreciated and make a real difference to parish life. To support parishioners in planning ahead, we have created a range of helpful resources to assist with getting personal affairs in order. These include:

- An Asset Inventory Record
- A Will Planner
- Instructions for a Catholic Funeral
- Guidelines for Funerals and the care of the terminally ill

These materials are designed to provide practical support and peace of mind when making important plans for the future.

These resources are available on the diocesan website at <https://portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/legacy>

**ONLINE CATECHIST FORUM:
READING PASTORAL AREA**

Starting on Thursday, 25th June, 7 pm – 8.30 pm. There will be an online forum for all catechists in Reading with Farvin Gonsalves, a seminarian in our diocese. The evening will include a time of formation, group discussion and resource spotlight before ending with Night Prayer. All Catechists are welcome to join via Zoom

link: <https://zoom.us/j/93450493618?pwd=1NCTKg2f4C5A06XItHZWYeg7Rjbg0R.1> or contact ffm@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk for more information.

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



St. Joseph's, Tidworth

WELCOME

A warm welcome to Raphaella Oluebubearine Robinson who is to be baptised here at St Joseph's next Saturday, 27th June.



**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:

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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.

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS – NEXT WEEKEND

