

# THE MESSENGER

Serving the Churches of Holy Ghost, St. Bede and Sacred Heart

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## Thought for the Week - CORPUS CHRISTI

This has been a month of celebrations for us as Catholics. Today we celebrate the Solemnity (Feast) of Corpus Christi during which we commemorate the great gift of the Eucharist which stands at the heart and life of the mission of the Church. This is not only a time to celebrate this gift to us from Christ, but to consider its meaning and richness both in the life of the Church and in our lives as Catholics.

The celebration of Corpus Christi commemorates the presence of the Body and Blood of Christ, one of the Sacraments of the Eucharist. On Holy Thursday Jesus met the Apostles for the Last Supper, when He said, "This is my Body (indicating the bread) and this is my Blood (designating the wine)." We as Catholics acknowledge the gift of the Eucharist, as this is the food of our souls.

Twelve times during the Last Supper Jesus reminds us that He is the Bread of Life. He is quite definite about this reality. It is He Who gives us eternal life. Every Catholic Mass, not just this one, is both a memorial to Christ's life, death, and Resurrection, and also a participation in the sacrifice which Christ made on the Cross for us. When we approach to receive communion, we are in reality at the foot of the Cross, adoring, asking forgiveness, and offering ourselves to Christ Who loved us to His death.

Today, and every day when we approach the Eucharist, we need to keep this in mind. We need to receive this incredible gift and then as good stewards we need to share it by being disciples, by sharing the Good News in our lives and how we live them.

Taken from the Catholic Steward.com

## Thought for the Week - 12th Sunday

We are reminded in today's readings that we are human, and that as a result of that we are sinners, and we inherit that sin from the very beginning, from Adam. St. Paul points that out in our Second Reading from Romans 2. Were you aware that in Hebrew the name Adam means "humanity?"

In today's Gospel Reading from Matthew, Jesus also reminds us of the fact that we are sinners, but He also prompts us to remember that one of the reasons we sin is because we fear other humans and the consequences of living out our faith more than we fear the Lord Himself. Jesus says, "...do not be afraid of those who kill the body, but cannot kill the soul; rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna."

"Gehenna" is translated in some Bible versions as "Hell." What the Lord is trying to communicate to us may be that we probably tend to fear earthly matters and earthly people more than we fear God. If we are "killed" by someone or something on earth it is the body only which dies. However, shrinking back from God's call can have eternal consequences.

"Saving grace" and being saved are probably not thoughts on which we like to dwell, but they are real, and we need to recognize that. St. Alphonsus Liguori wrote, "The saved are few, but we must live with the few if we would be saved with the few. O God, too few indeed they are; yet amongst those few I wish to be."

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## Bishop Philip writes...

I have made the following clergy appointments, which take effect from 8<sup>th</sup> September 2017. I thank these priests for all they have done and for being willing to make these moves. Please pray that in the new appointments the Lord will bless these pastors and their communities abundantly.

Canon Paul Townsend to Sacred Heart & St. Theresa of Lisieux, Ringwood & Our Lady of Sorrows & St. Philip Benizi, Fordingbridge  
Fr. Mark Hogan to St. Peter and The Winchester Martyrs, Winchester

Fr. Chris Whelan to St. Joseph Basingstoke

Fr. Anthony Glaysher to St. Joseph and St. Mary Aldershot

Fr. Stephen Restori to St. Mary's Ryde

Fr. John Cooke to Immaculate Conception, Christchurch; also as the parish priest of Holy Redeemer, Highcliffe

Fr. Peter Hart to St. Margaret Mary's, Park Gate

Fr. James Carling to St. Mary's Alton

Fr. Paul Obada to Christ the King and St. Colman Southampton

Fr. Paul Lyons to St. Patrick Southampton and The Annunciation Netley Abbey

Fr. Claro Conde to Corpus Christi and St. Joseph Portsmouth

Fr. Philip Carroll to St John's Cathedral as Assistant Priest and Bishop's Secretary

Fr. John Lavers (temporarily) to English Martyrs, Reading, as Assistant Priest and Hospital Chaplain

Fr. Innaiah Maddineni to be Diocesan Co-ordinator of *Missio*.

Fr. Vittorio Scomparin, Chaplain to the Neo-Catechumenal Way will move to St. Swithun's Southsea as priest in residence.

We welcome to Sacred Heart Bournemouth Fr. Dominic Jacobs (CongOrat) and Fr. Peter Edwards (Southwark), together with postulant members Wojtek Rudnicki and Kari Hinktikka, as the Oratory in Formation, assuring them of our prayers.

A small number of other appointments will be announced soon and included in a future issue of e-News.

## CORPUS CHRISTI

### The Body and Blood of Christ

18th June 2017

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## MASS TIMES and SERVICES

If you are visiting our Churches of St. Bede, Holy Ghost, or Sacred Heart you are most welcome.

### Holy Ghost & St. Bede

<b>Sun 18</b>	9.00 am	SB	Kevin Stevens RIP (Stevens)
	11.00 am	SB	Dec Mbrs. Azavedo & D'Souza Families (Azavedo)
	6.30 pm	SB	People of the Parish
Mon 19	12.00 noon	SB	John 'Rusty' Wilson RIP
	1.00 pm	HG	Wedding
Tues 20	9.30 am	SB	Thomas Joseph RIP (Tomy)
Wed 21	7.30 pm	HG	Mass for Vocations (Catenians)
Thur 22	9.30 am	SB	Private Intentions (Rozario)
Fri 23	<b>THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS</b>		
	9.30 am	HG	Private Intentions (Reid)
Sat 24	Diocesan Significant Wedding Mass with Bishop Philip		
	11.00 am	SB	
<b>Sun 25</b>	9.00 am	SB	Mike & Fay Redmond RIP (Murphy)
	11.00 am	SB	Terry & Breda Reilly RIP
	4.00 pm	HG	Syro Malabar Mass
	6.30 pm	SB	Margaret Attard RIP (Sammut)

### Sacred Heart

<b>Sat 17</b>	6:00 pm		People of the Parish
<b>Sun 18</b>	10:00 am		Jim McNally RIP
	3:00 pm		Corpus Christi Procession
Mon 19	10:00 am		Mass-
Tues 20	10:00 am		Irene Teeling & Virginia De Luc RIP
Wed 21	10:00am		Mass -
Thur 22	10:00 am		Neil McDonagh RIP
Fri 23	<b>THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS</b>		
	7:00 am		Mass -
	10:00 am		Mass -
Sat 24	<b>THE NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST</b>		
	10.00 am		Mickie Coppinger RIP
<b>Sat 24</b>	6:00 pm		People of the Parish
<b>Sun 25</b>	10:00 am		Dec. Mbrs. Gaiger Family

## TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

25th June 2017

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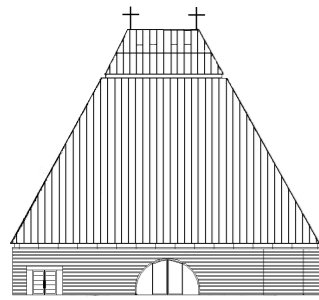
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<b>Sun 25</b>	9.00 am	SB	Mike & Fay Redmond RIP (Murphy)
	11.00 am	SB	Terry & Breda Reilly RIP
	4.00 pm	HG	Syro Malabar Mass
	6.30 pm	SB	Margaret Attard RIP (Sammut)
Mon 26	11.00 am	HG	Requiem Richard Moroney RIP
	11.00 am	SB	Requiem Mary Frawley RIP
Tues 27	9.30 am	SB	Int. Janet & Tony Cullinane
Wed 28	9.30 am	HG	Int. Josh George (Granny T)
Thur 29	<b>Ss PETER &amp; PAUL</b>		
	9.30 am	SB	School Mass
			Dec. Mbrs O'Connor Family (Ford)
	7.30 pm		Mass at Sacred Heart Hook
Fri 30	9.30 am	HG	Int. J Lloyd (Lloyd)
Sat 01	9.30 am	HG	M. R. Flitcroft RIP
			Rev Br. Jude Dudman RIP
<b>Sun 02</b>	9.00 am	SB	Josephine Sweeney RIP (Blow)
	11.00 am	SB	Domeinico Marchese RIP (Marchese)
	6.30 pm	SB	People of the Parish

### Sacred Heart

<b>Sat 24</b>	6:00 pm		People of the Parish
<b>Sun 25</b>	10:00 am		Dec. Mbrs. Gaiger Family
Mon 26	10:00 am		Mass -
Tues 27	10:00 am		Mass -
Wed 28	10:00am		Connor Aston RIP
Thur 29	<b>Ss PETER &amp; PAUL</b>		
	7:00 am		Mass -
	10:00 am		Mass -
	7:30 pm		Mass -
Fri 30	10:00 am		Mass -
Sat 01	10.00 am		Mass -
<b>Sat 01</b>	6:00 pm		People of the Parish
<b>Sun 02</b>	10:00 am		Charlotte Cardross RIP



**St. Bede**  
**Popley Way**  
**Basingstoke**  
**RG24 9DX**

**01256 465214**

**Parish Priest:** Rev. Christopher Rutledge:  
 Coordinating Pastor and Dean

**Assistant Priest:** Rev. Gerry Onyejuluwa **01256 951134**

**Parish Administrator:** Mrs Liz Murphy  
 Office Open: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday,  
 9 am - 2 pm (Tuesday - Admin day)  
**Email:** stbedes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk  
**Website:** www.stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk

**Safeguarding:** Jan Hughes 07719012955

**Confessions:**  
 After Mass on Saturday mornings

**Holy Ghost Church Address**  
 Sherborne Road,  
 Basingstoke,  
 Hants. RG21 5TD



**PARISH DIARY:**

**Sun 18th: Music:** 9am Choir; 11am Filipino; 6:30pm Cantorg  
 Sun 25th: Music: 9am Choir; 11am Cantorg; 6.30pm Guitar  
**Today (Sun. 18th June):** There will be refreshments after the  
 11 am Mass in the hall, please come and support , funds will be  
 going to St. Michael's Hospice.

**Tues:** Toddler Group; 1.30pm - 3.15pm  
**Thurs 22nd: 7.30pm** RCIA Journey in Faith in Burgess Road Hall

**SIGNIFICANT WEDDING CELEBRATIONS**

Congratulations to the following Parishioners who are  
 Celebrating a Significant Wedding Anniversary this year. They  
 will be attending the Significant Weddings Anniversary Mass  
 here on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup>, with Bishop Philip presiding.  
 Alison & Richard Luker, Veronika & Graham Budzynski-  
 Seymour, Sherly & Joseph Jose, Mary & David Butler, Margaret  
 & Tony Eaton, Michael and Liz Murphy.

**FUNERAL**

Requiem for Mary Frawley RIP on Monday 26th June at 11 am  
 in St. Bede's Church.  
 Requiem for Richard Moroney RIP on Monday 26th June at  
 11.00 am in Holy Ghost Church  
 May they rest in Peace. We remember the friends and  
 families of those who have died.

**CHURCH CLEANING**

The next Church cleaning, will be on Thursday 22nd June after  
 the 9.30 am Mass. We ask please, if you have an hour to spare  
 to please come and support those 'dedicated' people who  
 clean the Church fortnightly throughout the year. We would  
 like our Church to look very smart for the Significant Weddings  
 Celebrations which takes place on the 24th.

**CANAL BOAT TRIP - KSC**

The Knights of St. Columba have organised a Canal Boat  
 trip especially for Parishioners of St. Bede's and St Joseph's  
 on Saturday 22 July from 2.00 pm. Boat leaves from  
 Odiham Wharf at 2.30 pm and the trip lasts just over  
 2 hours. Please come and join the Basingstoke Knights for  
 a pleasant and relaxing afternoon on the canal. Cream tea  
 will be served on board. Cost £10.00 pp. Max 50 places.  
 To book your place please contact Alfredo Lavorgna 01256  
 321496 or Dave McKenna 07931 564064.

**BASINGSTOKE CATENIANS**

All parishioners are warmly invited to attend the  
 Basingstoke Catenians' annual Mass for Vocations that  
 they have arranged to be offered at Holy Ghost Church at  
 7.30pm on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June.

**AN UPDATE FROM THE BASINGSTOKE FOODBANK**

Thank you very much the parishioners of St Bedes, who  
 play a very important part in the work of the Foodbank,  
 whether it be donating food, delivering the food to the  
 foodbank, volunteering at the foodbank, helping in the  
 charity shop, helping at supermarket appeals or donating  
 cash.

The Foodbank continues to operate for 2.5 days per week  
 in Sarum Hill. In early May, a satellite operation started in  
 Tadley, which presently is open for half day per week.  
 Here are some statistics of numbers people helped for the  
 period from 1<sup>st</sup> Jan to mid-June. The numbers show  
 demand for help from the Foodbank, worryingly, continue  
 to show no sign of letting up!

2017   2016   2015  
**1,440**   **1,325**   **1,132**

In the same periods, St Bede's parishioners have donated  
 the following weights of food:

**422kg**   **620kg**   **370kg**

Do please watch out in the parish newsletter for appeals  
 from the Foodbank for items where stock is low.  
 Thank you all very much for your continued support for the  
 Foodbank.

**KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBA 'LUCKY ME' WINNER**

Congratulations to Mary Herald of Basingstoke who won  
 £25.



**Summer Fete**  
**at St Bede's**  
 Hosted by BACCA  
 Basingstoke African Caribbean Catholic Association  
**Saturday 1st July: 1pm to 5pm**  
 All parishioners are welcome



**COLLECTIONS**

Sunday collection amounted to £2,534.35



**Sacred Heart**  
**London Road**  
**Hook**  
**RG27 9LA**

**01256 577007**

**Parish Priest:** Rev. Christopher Rutledge:  
 Coordinating Pastor and Dean

**Retired Priest in Residence:** Rev. Peter Codd

**Parish Administrator:** Mrs Jan Hughes  
 Tuesday and Wednesday 9 am - 2 pm (at Sacred Heart)  
 Monday, Thursday & Friday am (on 01256 577007)  
**Email:** hook@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk  
**Website:** www.sacredhearthook.co.uk

**Safeguarding**  
 Maggie Wood c/o Parish Office

**Confessions**  
 Saturday 9.15 - 9.45am and 4.30 - 5.30pm.  
 Also by arrangement with Fr. Peter

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK IN OUR PARISH**

Lord, have all those who are unable to be with us at Mass in  
 Your safekeeping as we remember:  
 Sister Connie, Mary O'Driscoll, Edna Welton,  
 Patrick Walsh, Helena Allen, Tony Hopgood,  
 Margaret Sauce, Andrew Marsh and Margaret Morrison.

**WEEKLY ROTA**

**Saturday 24th June 6pm**  
 Reader: Glenys Murch  
 Eucharistic Ministers: Sister, Pat Olohan  
**Sunday 25th June 10am**  
 Readers: Joseph Sharp, Clare Collins  
 Eucharistic Ministers: Ellen Hill, Marian Flaherty  
 Children's Liturgy: Mary Bone, Louise  
 Counters: Heather Bone, Joseph Sharp  
 Coffee: Jill Blackburn, Marie White  
 Cleaning:  
 Laundry: Claire Burroughs  
**Saturday 01 July 6pm**  
 Reader: Eileen Cashman  
 Eucharistic Ministers: Sister, Anne da Silva  
**Sunday 2 July 10am**  
 Readers: Delia Drummond, Sue Tyler  
 Eucharistic Ministers: Maggie Wood  
 Children's Liturgy: Michael, Gill  
 Counters: Ian Liddell, Richard Coleman  
 Coffee: Gill Byrne, Trish  
 Cleaning: Anne da Silva  
 Laundry: Virgilius Vickers

**CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION**

On Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June at 3pm, The Feast of  
 Corpus Christi, we hope that you will join us in a  
 traditional Corpus Christi procession, within the  
 Church and Convent grounds.



**FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART**  
**Friday 23rd June**  
 Mass will be held in the Church at 7am  
 or in the Convent at 10am

**SS PETER & PAUL**  
 A Holy Day of Obligation  
**Thursday 29th June**  
 Mass will be held in the Church at 7am and 7:30pm  
 or in the Convent at 10am

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**BLESSING FOR FATHER'S DAY**

God our Father, in your wisdom and love you made all  
 things. Bless these men, that they may be strengthened as  
 Christian fathers. Let the example of their faith and love  
 shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters,  
 may honour them always with a spirit of profound respect.

**DAY FOR LIFE SECOND COLLECTION 18TH JUNE**

*Day for Life* is 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. The Church  
 teaches that life is to be nurtured from conception to  
 natural death. This year's *Day for Life* is celebrated on  
**Sunday, 18 June 2017**. Each year Day for Life provides an  
 opportunity to reflect on the dignity of every human  
 person, both young and old, and to pray for and support all  
 life from conception to natural death.  
 The annual *Day for Life* collection helps fund the crucial  
 work of the Anscombe Bioethics Centre, formerly the  
 Linacre Centre, as well as projects which work to protect  
 life at every stage and every condition.

**PETER'S PENCE SECOND COLLECTION 25TH JUNE**

Peters Pence is the name given to the financial support  
 offered by the faithful to the Holy Father as a sign of their  
 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, to humanitarian  
 initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as to the  
 support of the Holy See. The Pope, being Pastor of the  
 whole Church, is attentive to the material needs of poor  
 dioceses, religious institutes and of faithful in grave  
 difficulties (the poor, children, the elderly, those  
 marginalized and the victims of war or natural disasters;  
 concrete aid to Bishops or dioceses in need, Catholic  
 education, assistance to refugees and immigrants, etc.).

**COLLECTIONS** - Sunday collection amounted to £560.15