

20<sup>th</sup> October 2013

29<sup>th</sup> Sun Ordinary Time

(Year C)



## North West Hampshire Catholic News

### Weekly Newsletter

Serving the parishes of Andover, Basingstoke, Hook, Tadley and Kingsclere

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### Thought for the Week

Jesus told his disciples to pray continually and not lose heart. Many people do not see the point of regular prayer. The only time they pray is when they are in serious trouble or when someone they love is in serious danger, seriously ill. It is at this moment they remember God, and decide to give him a try.

Why is prayer important? What does it do? Prayer can clarify things in our heads: our hopes and our intentions. It helps us to work out what is really important, what we really want in life above the trivial. Prayer can teach us what to aspire to, ideals we need to aim for.

Prayer is no substitute for action. It is like the beam from a flashlight shining light in the darkness. It helps and encourages us to go forward and to act. It helps us to stand on our own feet before God and the world; to take responsibility for our lives.

However the main purpose of prayer is to foster our relationship with God. It must be the most important aspect of our life. Prayer is the anchor of our spiritual lives. It not an optional extra, but something vital and life-giving. Our spiritual life is what gives life to our real selves. Prayer is not something for occasional use, or something to resort to when things get really bad. When we pray we enter into our innermost self. We reconnect with ourselves, if we should lose our way in life at times. Prayer is not just about asking for things, it is a way of allowing God to give to us what he wants us to receive.

Prayer enriches us and makes us better people, because it enables us to live life more deeply, more fully, and more authentically.

**Father Austin Gurr**

#### DIOCESAN PRAYER INTENTIONS (20 26 Oct)

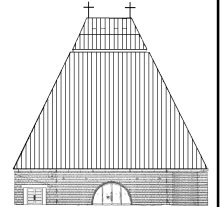
These are arranged so that in the course of a year we pray for each parish of our Diocese and the Catholic organisations working here. This week's intention-s are: **Sun:** All Artists, architects, craftsmen and designers working for the church. **Mon:** Parishes, Communities and Schools of the Great Park Pastoral Area. **Tues:** Editorial Team of "Portsmouth People". **Wed:** Sisters of Providence in the Diocese. **Thurs:** Community of St Yves & St Magloire, Guernsey. **Fri:** The Work of the Secular Clergy Common and New Common Funds. **Sat:** Parish of Christ the King & St Colman, Bitterne.

**Welcome to St. Bede's**



## ONE PARISH, TWO CHURCHES

St. Bede's Church, Popley Way, Basingstoke, RG24 9DX  
Holy Ghost Church, Sherborne Rd. Basingstoke. RG21 5TX  
Fr. Christopher Rutledge: Parish Priest  
Parish Secretary: Liz Murphy  
Tel. No. 01256 465214



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### Parish Diary: 20th October 2013

**Sun:** Music: 9.am Choir; 11 am Cantorg (R):  
6.30 pm Priest-led  
Participation at all Masses today by First Holy  
Communion candidates  
Signed Mass for the hard of hearing at the 11  
am Mass next Sunday  
Children's Liturgy 9 and 11 am Masses  
Refreshments after the 9 am Mass  
Repository open after all Masses  
Mass Count for national statistics every  
weekend in October  
**Mon:** Fr. Chris appt. at 12 noon  
St. Vincent de Paul SB at 7.30  
**Tues:** Fr. Chris day off  
Toddler Group meet SB 1.30—3.15 pm  
**Wed:** Fr. Chris— Appt SB 6.30 pm  
Requiem for Patrick Kehoe RIP SB at 12 noon  
Journey in Faith SB at 7.30 pm  
9 am Choir practice at SB 8 pm  
**Thurs:** Fr. Chris PPC—Hook at 8 pm  
**Fri:** Post Confirmation Gathering SB @ 7 pm  
**Sat:** Child Protection Training SB 10.30—1 pm  
The Lord's Flock SB 5.30—8.30 pm  
Polish Mass HG at 6 pm

**Polish Mass** will take place on  
Saturday 26th October at 6 pm in  
Holy Ghost Church.



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bedzie sie w sabote, dnia 26.10.2013 o godz. 18.00  
w kosciele Holy Ghost Church, Sherborne Road.  
RG21 5TD

**Syro Malabar Mass** in Holy Ghost Church on  
Sunday 27th October at 10 am.

**Grass car park**—Due to the change in weather the  
entrance way is becoming impassable, however,  
work will shortly commence on upgrading the  
driving surface. Please bare with us until we are  
able to re-use it again.

**PLEASE PARK WITH DUE RESPECT AND CARE**

**Fr. Chris** has a new email address, if you have  
already sent an email to his other email address,  
please resend to:  
[chrisrutledge@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:chrisrutledge@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

### Basingstoke Foodbank

Collection boxes will be in the cloister area  
**TODAY**

**The repository** have a good supply of Christmas  
cards and other items... Please visit the reposi-  
tory after all Masses in the church hall.

**Requiem Mass** for Patrick Kehoe RIP  
At 12 noon on Wednesday 23rd Oct.  
In St. Bede's Church. We remember  
his family in our prayers.  
May he rest in peace.



### Blessing of Graves

Worting Road Cemetery on  
Remembrance Sunday 10th  
November at 2.30 pm.



### St. Bede's Church/Complex

**cleaning**—this coming Thursday  
24th Oct. If you have an hour to  
spare between 11—12 noon, please  
join the dwindling team, who do a  
fabulous job, we thank them. Also  
to the Syro Malabar group who help fortnightly  
clean the Holy Ghost Church



### Collections

Grateful thanks for last Sunday's offertory  
collection which amounted to £1,848.76p.  
Second collection **TODAY** for the Foreign  
Missions

A big 'thank you' to all who returned  
the boxes for counting. They are  
now ready for collection. Please remember to  
take your empty box.



## Parish Mass Timetable

**Week beginning 20th October 2013 Psalter week (1)**

**Sun: Twenty-Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year C)**

9.00 am SB In thanksgiving Andrews family  
 11.00 am SB People of the Parish  
 6.30 pm SB Bob Brownlie RIP (Brownlie)

**See Parish Mass Book, p. 152**

**Mon: Feria**  
 9.30 am HG Charlotte Goodier—In thanksgiving

**Tue: Feria**  
 9.30 am SB In thanksgiving for safe delivery (Andrews)

**Wed: St. John of Capistrano, Religious**  
 12 noon SB Requiem for Paddy Kehoe RIP

**Thurs: St. Anthony Claret, Founder, Bishop**  
 9.30 am SB Michael O'Connor RIP (Kelly)

**Fri: Feria**  
 9.30 am HG Private Intention

**Sat: Our Lady on Saturday**  
 9.30 am SB Jose De Silva RIP (Loureiro)

**Sun: 27th October— 30th Sunday of Ordinary Time**  
 9.00 am SB People of the Parish  
 11.00 am SB Maureen McCauley RIP (McCauley)  
 6.30 pm SB Cecila Taylor RIP (Taylor)

*Morning Prayer: 9.15 am before each weekday Mass*

*Rosary: recited after the weekday Mass.*

*To ask for Mass to be offered for a particular intention please contact the Parish Office., where we will try to accommodate your request.*

### Arranging a Baptism

Any Catholic parent living in our parish and wishing their child to be baptised should collect a form from the cloister area, please complete and return to the Parish Office.

**Holy Ghost Church**—please note there is no heating in Holy Ghost Church. We hope heating will be restored early November.

### Please pray this week for the sick and housebound of our parish

**including:** Maria Colella, Alex Tilley, Iain Fraser, Teodora Gatchalian, Elizabeth Kelly, Andrea Trower, John Hickey, Helga Sony, Evelyn Dyke, Denis Grehan, Kathleen O'Connor, Charlotte King, Carmel Hyland, Larry Hynan, James Lickey, Olivia Chard, Esther Clarkson, Sean Walsh, Norleen Mejico-Cruz, Gary Smith, Bernabe Estrade, Christine Williams, Guiseppina Colella, Michelle Morley, Betty Dyer, Ameila, Dante & Anna Scattone, Jacqueline Hudson, Jemma West, Ian Williams, Juliet Mitchell, Anne & Stephen Neale, Maureen Donnelly, Irene Manzano, Eileen Maloney, Joan Gomes, Carmel Harding and Pat Olohan.

### Confessions

Fr. Chris will usually be available to hear Confessions every Saturday after the 9.30 am Mass until 10.45 am. Also on Sunday evenings from 5.30 pm—6.15 pm in St. Bede's Church

**Morning Prayer** can refresh and recharge your soul as you get ready to take on the day. 'Morning Prayer' will be recited each morning before Mass in both Holy Ghost Church and St. Bede's Church.

**Adoration of the Bl. Sacrament** Will take place in Holy Ghost Church after the 9.30 am Mass every Friday.

### Seating in St. Bede's Church



You will see that as you enter the Church, the seating by the font has been rotated to face the **Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle.**

This enables more people to easily pray before Our Lord, for quiet and reflective prayer

### Catholic Newspapers

You can purchase the Universe, Catholic Herald & Catholic Times here weekly.

### Loop system

at St Bede's Church—to use it please switch your hearing aid to 'T'coil.'



### Other local churches

#### Sunday Mass times

#### Sacred Heart, Hook

- Sat 6pm & Sun 10am

#### St Joseph's, Basingstoke

- Sat 6pm & Sun 9am and 11am

#### St Michael's, Tadley

- Sat 6pm & Sun 9.30 am

#### St Peter & St Paul, Kingsclere

- Sun 11.15 am

## 'Framework for Collaboration'

'A Prodigal Returns to the Catholic Church': Thurs 14 Nov, 7pm, Cathedral

You're invited to be part of a life-changing Catholic Bible tour that will rekindle your love for the faith. Catholic speaker, author, and theologian Jeff Cavins will be visiting from the United States and embarking on a six city Bible and Evangelisation Tour delivering four of his most powerful and popular talks for the first time in England. On Thursday 14 November, he will be speaking in Portsmouth Cathedral. This event is open to anyone and is free. To find out more and register online, go to: [www.catholicbibletour.com](http://www.catholicbibletour.com). Jeff's talk will touch on key aspects of our beautiful and rich Catholic faith leaving you with a greater understanding of the Scriptures and a deeper relationship with Christ. You will be empowered to both share and live your faith more fully.

### Parish Catechists – Information Evenings

The Department for New Evangelisation 'Formation for Mission' team is running information evenings across the Diocese for Parish Catechists. These evenings will provide an opportunity to discuss resources and forthcoming events. Venues and dates are as shown on the displayed poster. For more information contact Fr David O'Sullivan on [ffm@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:ffm@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk).

### Swell@Bournemouth – Diocesan Youth Retreat for 16-30s

Friday 1st – Sunday 3rd November - Come and join other 16-30-year-olds from around the country for the first ever Youth 2000 retreat in Bournemouth. Live worship, powerful services, engaging talks, creative workshops, in-depth discussion groups, friendship. This retreat takes place at St. Peter's School (St Catherine's Road, Southbourne, Bournemouth, BH6 4AH). For more info go to 'Bournemouth and Avon Stour Catholic Youth' on Facebook, and find the event Swell@Bournemouth. Or contact Will Hince 07810827606 [whince@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:whince@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) or the Youth 2000 National Office 02072212124.

## Child & Vulnerable Adult Protection

### Training at St Bede's

The Portsmouth Diocese have arranged for training sessions to be held at St Bede's Church to cover Child & Vulnerable Adult Protection training. The next dates:

**Sat 26 Oct (10.30am-1pm)** for INITIAL training on Child Protection (not Vulnerable Adult), for those that have never undertaken any prior CP training with the parish. Spaces must be booked in advance so please contact Serena Lee (Parish Safeguarding Rep) on [safeguardingstbedeschurch@gmail.com](mailto:safeguardingstbedeschurch@gmail.com) to register for the course or ask any questions.

## HIGH MASS

### St John's Cathedral

With Bishop Philip Egan on Sunday 27th October at 3pm. Please visit [lms.org.uk](http://lms.org.uk) for more details.

## Vacancy for Youth Ministry Co-ordinator (Maternity Leave Cover)

North West Hants Pastoral Area (Basingstoke, Hook, Andover, Tadley and surrounding areas) is currently looking to fill the role of **Youth Ministry Co-ordinator (Maternity Leave Cover for up to one year)** to work in our pastoral area and further develop our ministry with young people.

Some of the key responsibilities will be: Develop a programme of regular and one-off activities which respond to the spiritual, catechetical and social needs and aspirations of the young people, including where appropriate international, national and local events; to encourage and enable young people to become active members of their worshipping communities; to support volunteers involved in youth ministry across the pastoral area and ensure proper running of all youth ministry activities.

The successful candidate will possess: excellent communication skills; strong organisational skills; creative skills; the proven ability to inspire & enthuse young people aged 11-18; and will be a practising & committed Catholic.

Full details of the role and the skills and experience we seek may be found in the job description and person specification in the application pack. **Salary range:** £20,000-22,000 full-time. Applications from candidates wishing to work part time (minimum 0.6 full time equivalent) or as part of a job share are welcome. Salary will be pro-rated for part time workers. Enhanced CRB disclosure is a condition of employment.

**Deadline for receipt of applications:** Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Oct 2013 at 12 noon. **Interviews:** Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> Nov 2013. **Anticipated start date:** 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2014.

If you wish to find out more about this post or receive an application pack, please contact Nikki Pink by email [stbas@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:stbas@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) or phone (01256 323595) or download a pack from the Portsmouth Diocesan website: [www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/vacancies](http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/vacancies)

## PENANCE and RECONCILIATION

**Can I make a confession even if I have not committed any serious sins?**

*Confession is a great gift of healing that brings about closer union with the Lord, even if, strictly speaking, you do not have to go to confession.*

*In Taizé, at Catholic conferences, at World Youth Day celebrations – everywhere, you see young people being reconciled with God. Christians who take seriously their decision to follow Jesus seek the joy that comes from a radical new beginning with God. Even the saints went to confession regularly, if possible. They needed it in order to grow in humility and charity, so as to allow themselves to be touched by God's healing light even in the inmost recesses of their souls.*

**Why are priests the only ones who can forgive sins?**

*No man can forgive sins unless he has a commission from God to do so and the power given by him to ensure that the forgiveness he promises the penitent really takes place. The bishop, in the first place, is appointed to do that and, then, his helpers, the ordained priests.*

**Dig Deeper: Corresponding CCC section (1458-1466) Source: YouCat 235-36**

