

North West Hampshire Catholic News Weekly Newsletter

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

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Many thanks for all you do for the parish

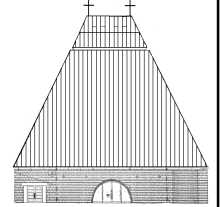
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WELCOME TO ST. BEDE'S CHURCH

St. Bede's Church, Popley Way, Basingstoke, RG24 9DX
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Thought for the week

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



**“Take the child and his mother with
you”**

Some people have nothing but happiness to relate when they think of their family. Others have nothing but sorrow and sadness to speak of. The family, in our experience, can be a place of joy, or a nightmare. In this sense, the family is like the world itself, a place in need of love and redemption. Jesus said that he did not come to condemn the world but to save it. If our experience of family life is good, then give thanks to God for it. When people's experience of family life is bad, then let us save people from the ruins.

In the story of the Holy Family, we hear of the message given to Joseph by the Angel of God, telling him to save the mother and child. Joseph did that, going first into Egypt and then to the town of Nazareth. In that little corner of Galilee, Jesus grew up in “wisdom, age and grace”, in a loving family home.

Every child deserves the chance to do the same.

Taken from Redemptorist Publications

New Year's Eve: Holy Ghost

Mass at 8 pm (light refreshments afterwards in the hall)

New Year's Day: St. Bede's

Mass at 12 noon

Christmas 2013



**On behalf
of Fr. Chris, Fr. Thom
and the parish office, we
wish you all a
“Holy, Blessed & Peaceful
Christmas”.**

Thank you to everyone who has contributed of their time and talent to preparing the church/liturgy and helping us all in our worship of God. May Christ our Saviour bless us all during this Festive Season.

Christmas Collection

Tradition holds that the Christmas Offerings given at the Vigil and Christmas Day Masses are your opportunity for a personal gift to your parish priest. This is a big source of his annual income.

Trish Davis, Parish Secretary in Hook and Pastoral Area Editor for the past three years is leaving her post on 24th December. We wish Trish good health and best wishes in her new job. We thank Trish for compiling the PA newsletter.

Collection amounted to £1,836.01p. Grateful thanks to our weekly counters who turn up every week without fail..

Before Mass: pray to God. **During Mass:** listen to God. **After Mass in the cloister area:** talk to everyone

Parish Mass Timetable

Sun:	Sunday 22nd December 4th Sunday of Advent <i>See Parish Mass Book, p 90 Psalter week (4)</i> 9.00 am SB Emmanuel Rana RIP (Rosellern) 11.00 am SB Dave Webb RIP (Butler) 6.30 pm SB People of the Parish
Mon:	<i>Liturgy of the Day</i> 9.30 am HG Oscar Herman Dover RIP <i>Liturgy of the Day</i>
Tues:	9.30 am HG Dec. Mbrs Hynes Family
	Christmas Eve: Vigil Mass: Carols at 6pm Mass at 6.30pm People of the Parish Carols at 11.30 pm Mass at Midnight People of the Parish
Wed:	Christmas Day: 10.00 am SB People of the Parish (please note: NO 6.30 pm Mass)
Thurs:	<i>Feast of St. Stephen</i> 10.00am SB Kathleen Hennessy RIP
Fri:	<i>Feast of St. John, Apostle, Evangelist</i> 9.30 am SB Mary Whiting RIP (Popovic)
Sat:	<i>Feast of The Holy Innocents</i> 9.30 am SB In thanksgiving Gibson Family
Sun:	29th December—Feast of the Holy Family 9.00 am SB Martin Cleary RIP (Cleary) 11.00 am SB People of the Parish 6.30 pm SB Evelyn Dykes RIP (SVP)
Mon:	<i>Liturgy of the Day</i> 9.30 am HG Tom Bowers RIP (Bowers)
Tues:	<i>Liturgy of the Day</i> 9.30 am SB Mary Whiting RIP (Popovic) 8.00 pm HG Dec. Mbrs of the Parish
Wed 1st January 2014	<i>Mary, Mother of God</i> 12 noon SB Michel Colella RIP (Colella)
Thurs:	<i>Ss Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishop</i> 9.30 am SB Sean McNamara RIP
Fri:	<i>Liturgy of the Day</i> 9.30 am HG Int. Sr. Mary Frances Rooney
Sat:	<i>Liturgy of the Day</i> 9.30 am SB Nancy O'Neill RIP

Please pray for all the Sick in our Parish

Lord, have all those who are unable to be with us for Mass in your safekeeping. We remember: Sean Walsh, Theodora Gatchalian, John Hickey, Joan Gomes. Carmel Hyland, Larry Hynan, Gillian Sims, Anne Quinn, Andrea Thrower, Jacqueline Hudson.

Support them in your love.

Be near them in moments of sickness and anxiety.

The Christmas Crib Offerings during Christmastide are for Christian Communities in the Holy Land, via the Knights of the Holy Sepulchre.

The Holy Land is a very distressful area of the Middle East and the Christians are very appreciative of our support and prayer. Jesus was born in a stable in Bethlehem 2000 years ago and today the Christians in the Holy Land, including Bethlehem, are experiencing extreme difficulties and dangers. of peace and stability and the absence of justice.

Fr Thom Amungwa

We are sad to have to announce that Fr Thom will be leaving our pastoral area in the New Year. He will be replacing Fr Dominic Adeiza as Priest in Charge of Yateley and Hartley Wintney parishes. Our loss is very much their gain and we wish him every sincere best wish and blessing for his new role. Fr Thom's last weekend with us will be 4th / 5th Jan. Please keep Fr Thom in your prayers as he prepares to make this transition.

NWHPA Youth Ministry Co-ordinator (Maternity Leave Cover)

Dave Hill has been appointed to undertake the maternity leave cover whilst Angie is away and can be contacted on the same mobile number (07713567161). Dave has previously worked for the Diocese undertaking a youth role. We all wish Angie every blessing and joy over the coming months.

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

