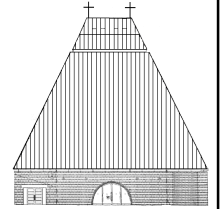




WELCOME TO ST. BEDE'S CHURCH

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Thought for the week

The question is really not "What answer would I give to the Lord?" but "What answer have I given to the Lord?" If today were "Everybody's Vocation Sunday", what vocation would you be thanking God for at this moment? What vocation has God blessed you within your life? What gifts has God put at your disposal to use for the bettering of the world? What opportunities and circumstances have you had in your life that have made you a better person, a more enriched person? It's worth giving time to think and pray about these questions.

Let us all take time today to consider our own vocation, our own calling by the Lord. We may be amazed as we realise the many paths that the Lord has opened up before us. Perhaps we often think of our life as one where things just happen for no particular reason, but when we stop to think and pray we realise that the Lord has been there in the background directing all things. When Jesus invites us to follow Him, He does not leave us to get on with things on our own. No, He remains close to us, gently guiding and directing our footsteps. The Lord never abandons us. Today each one of us can hear the Lord calling out to us, "follow me" What will our response be?

Taken from 'Redemptorist Publications'

Parish diary: 26th January 2014

Sun: Music : 9 am Choir: 11 am Priest Led :
6.30 pm Cantorg
Refreshments after the 9 Mass
Repository open after all Masses today
Mon: St. Vincent de Paul SJ @ 7.30 pm
Tues: Fr. Chris: Day off
Toddler Group meet SB 1.30—3.15 pm
Wed: Journey in Faith SB at 7.30
Thur: Requiem Mass for Timothy O'Connor RIP SB at 12.30
Sat: Popley Music practice 11—12 noon
Confirmation Retreat in Swan 9 am—5 pm

Before Mass: pray to God.

During Mass: listen to God.

After Mass in the cloister area: talk to everyone

St Bede's is looking for an experienced book-keeper to join the parish office team. The post holder will be involved with maintaining financial records and preparing reports for the parish finance committee and the diocese. This is a part time post and hours will be 15 per month with a high degree of flexibility. For a job description, please email parish office on

stbedes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. The closing date will be Monday 3rd February and interviews will take place on 20th and 21st February.

Assistant to the Episcopal Vicar for Vocation (EVV)

The Diocese wishes to appoint to a new post a full time Assistant to the Episcopal Vicar for Vocation (who is based in Winchester).

The person appointed to this post will be a practising Catholic who will be working with and under the direction of the EVV. The role will be to work with the Clergy Formation Team in the development and provision of support for the clergy of the Diocese in all the aspects of their ministry.

Appointment to the role is subject to a satisfactory DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) check.

Considerable travel within the Diocese will be required.

Full details, Job Description, experience, qualifications and personal attributes for the role, and an Application Form are available on the Diocesan Web Site (www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk). Completed Application Forms should be returned to Canon Paul Townsend, Peterhouse, St Peters Street, Winchester, Hampshire, SO23 8BW by 12 noon on Monday 10 February 2014.

Sunday collection amounted to £2,057.20p. Grateful thanks. Second collection next weekend Feb 2nd for Fr. Thom

Parish Mass Timetable

Sun:	Sunday 26th January (Psalter 3 Yr. 2) Third Sunday in Ordinary Time See Parish Mass Book, p127 9.00 am SB Lawrence Mines RIP (Davidson) 11.00 am SB Michael Harrington RIP (Harrington) 6.30 pm SB People of the Parish
Mon:	<i>Feria/St. Angela Merici, Foundress</i> 9.30 am HG Dec Mbrs Hynes & Murphy Families
Tues:	No Mass at St. Bede's 9.15 am at St. Joseph's—Basingstoke 10.00 am at Sacred Heart—Hook
Wed:	<i>Feria</i> 9.30 am HG Maureen Burnand RIP
Thurs:	<i>Feria</i> 12.30 pm SB Requiem Timohy O'Connor RIP
Fri:	<i>St. John Bosco, Founder</i> 9.30 am HG Int Renante Evangelista (Bautista)
Sat:	No Mass at St. Bede's
Sun:	2nd February—Presentation of the Lord 9.00 am SB Nell & Joe Dresser RIP (Lee) 11.00 am SB Tom Shorten RIP (Shorten) 6.30 pm SB Ignatius Van Kan RIP (Cox)

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. There are marked envelopes in the cloister area, if you wish a Mass intention, please complete and leave in the letter box.

Blessed Sacrament

You will have noticed the newly defined area in front of the Burning Bush. This is to highlight the Blessed Sacrament and give us a designated space for prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament. Please be respectful in this area.



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.

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, Jillian Simms, Anne Quinn, Andrea Thrower, Jacqueline Hudson. Renante Evangelista.

Support them in your love.

Be near them in moments of sickness and anxiety.

Confessions

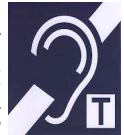
Fr. Chris will usually be available to hear Confessions every Saturday after the 9.30 am Mass until 10.45 am. Also on Sunday evenings from 5.30 pm—6.15 pm in St. Bede's Church

Adoration of the Bl. Sacrament

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place after the 9.30 am Mass on Friday

Loop system

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



Facebook

You can now find the parish on facebook. 'Like' us at facebook.com/stbedesbasingstoke or read the latest posts on our website. You can follow James Budzynski on his travels.

Basingstoke Foodbank

Thank you for all the support you have given to the foodbank.... They are looking for cartons of fruit juice and bags of 500gm sugar.. A box will be left in the cloister area after all Masses on Sunday 2nd February.

Farewell party for Fr. Thom on Sunday 9th February after the 6.30 pm Mass. Please bring a plate of food to share.

Right to Life Sponsored 24 hour Fast

Michael Davidson will be doing a sponsored fast on February 14th. On 9th Feb, can you support RTL's political fight against abortion, human cloning, and oppose the legalisation of Euthanasia by sponsoring him after Mass.

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