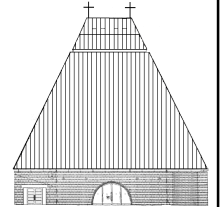




## WELCOME TO ST. BEDE'S CHURCH

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### Thought for the week

*"The Lord you are seeking will suddenly enter His Temple"*

The meeting. What picture do those two words conjure up in your mind? Perhaps one of those meetings that drag on and seem to have no intention of ever coming to an end. On the other hand, they may suggest an altogether different kind of get-together, like the gathering of family and friends. Or again they may suggest a reunion: a son, for example, who has spent many years working abroad, at last comes home with his wife and with the children whom the rest of the family have never met before; it is a meeting that is also the fulfilment of a long cherished hope. It is this latter kind of occasion that Eastern Christians seem to have in mind when they speak of today's feast simply as "The Meeting". It is the long-awaited, long-desired meeting of the Messiah with his people in the persons of two pious elderly Jews, Simeon and Anna.

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### Parish diary: 2nd February 2014

Sun: Music : 9 am Choir : 11 am Cantorg:

6.30 pm Piano

Refreshments after the 9 & 11 am Masses

Repository open after the 9 and 11 am Masses

Baptisms SB at 3 pm

Mon: Fr. Chris: Wedding App. SB @ 11 am

Tues: Fr. Chris: Day off

Toddler Group meet SB 1.30—3.15 pm

Wed:Fr. Chris: Crematorium @ 2 pm Nora O'Brien RIP

Fr. Chris: Wedding App. SB @ 6.30 pm

Journey in Faith SB @7.30

Thur: Fr. Chris: Appt. SB @ 2 pm

Fr. Chris: PPC Meeting SB @ 8 pm

Fri: Youth meeting: Gather—SB 7.30—9.30 pm

Sat: Framework for Collaboration SB 9.30—2.30

The Lord's Flock 5.30—8.30 pm

Sunday collection amounted to £2,094.98p Grateful thanks.  
Second collection **TODAY** for Fr. Thom

### Eucharistic Ministers and Readers Ministry

If you are privileged to be on the rota to carry out either of these special duties and are unable to attend Mass, please ensure that you arrange with someone beforehand to take your place. It is unfair for others to be expected to come forward at the last minute unprepared to do the Readings.

### Receiving the Host at Holy Communion

Please come forward in reverent procession. Before receiving Holy Communion standing, make a preparatory act of reverence by bowing or genuflecting in honour of Christ's presence in the Sacrament.

Please ensure that you take and eat (like Jesus said) - **DO NOT WALK OFF** holding the host to dip it into the Chalice as this is forbidden in the Country.

The Host must be consumed **immediately**.

**Maryfield Convent—Catholic Residential Care Home** London Rd., Hook, Hampshire, RG27 9LA Tel: 01256 762394

**Maryfield** is a residential care home that provides care and comfort to members of all religious denominations. Mass is celebrated daily in the convent chapel and the sisters and staff provide continuous quality care, twenty four hours a day, seven days a week. We presently have vacancies. If you would like to arrange a visit, or require further information, please call: 01256 762394

We can do no great things.... only small things with great love.  
**Mother Teresa**

## Parish Mass Timetable

<b>Sun:</b>	<b>2nd February</b> <b>The Presentation of the Lord (Psalter 4 Yr. 2)</b> <b>See Parish Mass Book, p 297</b> 9.00 am SB People of the Parish 11.00 am SB Tom Shorten RIP (Shorten) 6.30 pm SB Ignatius Van Kan RIP (Cox)
Mon:	<i>St. Blaise, Bishop &amp; Martyr</i> 9.30 am HG In thanksgiving Gibson Family
Tues:	No Mass at St. Bede's 9.15 am at St. Joseph's—Basingstoke 10.00 am at Sacred Heart—Hook
Wed:	<i>St. Agatha, Virgin, Martyr</i> 9.30 am HG Michael Stammers RIP (Carr)
Thurs:	<i>St. Paul Miki &amp; Companions, Martyrs</i> 9.30 am SB Int. Sr, Assunta
Fri:	<i>Feria</i> 9.30 am HG Jim Omrod RIP (Duffy)
Sat:	<i>Our Lady on Saturday</i> 9.30 am SB Mamie & John Hynes RIP (Hynes)
<b>Sun:</b>	<b>9th February—Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> 9.00 am SB Nell & Joe Dresser RIP (Lee) 11.00 am SB John Reilly RIP (Reilly) 6.30 pm SB People of the Parish

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

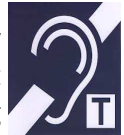
Fr. Chris will usually be available to hear Confessions every Saturday after the 9.30 am Mass until 10.45 am. Also on Sunday evenings from 5.30 pm—6.15 pm in St. Bede's Church

### 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](https://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.... All items will be collected **TODAY**

**Farewell party for Fr. Thom next Sunday** 9th Feb 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

- Sun 11.15 am