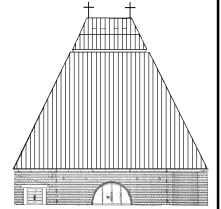




## WELCOME TO ST. BEDE'S CHURCH

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### Thought for the week

In our daily lives, our faith—our virtue, justice and righteousness—is to be more than skin-deep, it is to go to the very core of our being. Faith that is authentic is faith that is lived out. Just as it is possible to increase our attractiveness by improving our social skills, so we can learn to be more virtuous, just and righteous, as the first reading tells us: "If you wish, you can keep the commandments".

To think that we have only to tick the boxes of God's commandments—avoid killing, adultery, lying, and come to Mass on Sundays—is to treat our faith in a superficial way. Such faith is shallow and cannot save. Christ challenges us to live life at a deeper and more authentic level. "To get into the Kingdom of Heaven" means allowing an inner beauty to shine through—by our willingness to forgive and to reconcile; by our commitment to justice in our dealings with others, respecting the dignity of every person we meet; and by living lives of integrity, in which we try to express outwardly—in acts of forgiveness, compassion and honesty—the faith that we hold. If our faith is truly rooted in God—The God of mercy, love and truth—then it is God's beauty that will shine through our lives.

From: The Living Word, Redemptorist Publications

### Lent 2014

*A time to prepare for Holy Week's commemoration of Our Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection.*

*During Lent we do not sing either the Gloria or Alleluia at Mass, flowers do not decorate the churches, and Baptisms are held over until Easter.*

**Stations of the Cross** every Friday in Lent at 12.30 pm in St. Bede's Church, followed by a soup lunch. **Also Stations of the Cross in Holy Ghost Church at 7.30 pm on Friday evening**

**Friday Mass at Holy Ghost Church at 9.30 am.** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament between 10.00—11 am.

#### Lenten Lunches in aid of CAFOD:

Following the 12.30 pm Stations here at St. Bede's Church, there will be a soup and roll lunch. If you can host a lunch on 14th, 21st, 28th March, 11th April in the Church hall, please sign up on the form in the cloister area.

**Welcome to Fr. Tim Healy** who will be celebrating all our Sunday Masses today

#### Parish diary: 9th February 2014

Sun: Music : 9 am Choir: 11 am Cantorg :  
6.30 pm: Reflective  
Refreshments after the 9 Mass  
Repository open after the 9 and 11 am Masses  
Tues: Syro Malabar children's retreat HG hall 10.30—5 pm  
No Toddler Group meeting this week  
Wed: Syro Malabar children's retreat HG hall 10.30—5 pm  
No Journey in Faith  
Thur: Parish Finance Committee meet SB @ 7.30 pm  
Fri: Fr. Chris meeting 11 am  
Sat: The Lord's Flock 4.30—8.30 pm

**Requiem on Thur. 20th Feb** in St. Bede's Church at 11 am for Andrea Thrower RIP

We remember her family at this sad time.  
May she rest in peace.



**Bishop Challoner 30 year reunion**, class of 84 on Sat 3rd May, at The Irish Centre, Council Road, Basingstoke RG21 3DH from 730 to midnight. RSVP to Ally Streeter (Toner) [streeter662@btinternet.com](mailto:streeter662@btinternet.com)

Michael Davidson did his **24 hour sponsored fast for Right To Life** and thanks you for your kind contributions. Please pay any monies owing or any new donations at Mass today. God bless you for your generosity."

**Before Mass:** pray to God.

**During Mass:** listen to God.

**After Mass in the cloister area:** talk to everyone

## Parish Mass Timetable

**Sun: 16th February**  
**Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Psalter 2 Yr. 2)**  
**See Parish Mass Book, p 136**

9.00 am SB Pino & Michel Colella RIP  
11.00 am SB Ted Enright RIP (Butler)  
6.30 pm SB People of the Parish

Mon: *No Mass today at St. Bede's*

Tues: *No Mass today at St. Bede's*

9.15 am at St. Joseph's—Basingstoke

Wed: *Feria*

9.30 am HG Terry Davidson RIP (Davidson)

Thurs: *Feria*

11.00 am SB Requiem Andrea Thrower RIP

Fri: *St. Peter Damian, Religious, Bishop*

9.30 am HG In thanksgiving Armelina Domantay

Sat: *The Chair of St. Peter*

9.30 am SB Louise & Mary Harper RIP (Harper)

**Sun: 23rd February— 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9.00 am SB Ned Fagan RIP (Fagan)  
11.00 am SB Dec Mbrs Coelho Family (Norwoozi)  
6.30 pm SB People of the Parish

*23rd Feb 11 am Mass signed for the hard of hearing*

Sunday collection amounted to £1,875.63p. Grateful thanks.

### St Bede's Kneeler Group

We are a group formed in September 2012 with the aim to provide beautiful and unique needlepoint kneelers for St Bede's Church. Our next meeting is on Tues 25th Feb at St Bede's Church Hall from 7pm until 9pm.

We have had a wonderful response from parish groups and individuals sponsoring kneelers we are now in need of additional members.

**St. John the Baptist Catholic Primary School**, Floral Way. Andover, SP10 3PF are looking for a permanent full time Deputy Head Teacher, required for Mon. 1st September 2014. Closing date is Fri 14th March (noon) Interview Date: Thurs. 20th March.

For further details, please contact Sue Corney on Tel. No. 01264 361806 or email: s.corney@st-john-andver.hants.sch.uk

### *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, Jacqueline Hudson, Jenny McMahon. Renante Evangelista.

### Confessions:

Please note: there will be no Confessions 15th or 16th February

### 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.

**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.

### Message from Fr. Thom

A big 'Thank you' and deep appreciation to all at St. Bede's and St. Joseph's for the farewell party accorded me last Sunday at St. Bede's. Thanks for your final support through the second collection which you all contributed. You all remain very dear to me for all the time we spent together. Thanks once more and remained Blessed as we pray for one another. With love. Fr. Thom

### 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