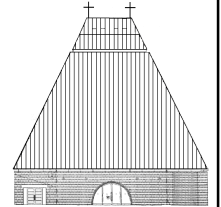




WELCOME TO ST. BEDE'S CHURCH

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Thought for the week

An extract from the Confessions of St. Augustine:

Being admonished to return to myself, I entered into my own depths, with You as guide; and I was able to do it because You were my helper. I entered, and with the eye of my soul, such as it was, I saw Your unchangeable light shining over the same eye of my soul, over my mind. It was above because it made me, and I was below because made by it. He who knows the truth knows that light, and he that knows the light knows eternity.

When first I knew You, You lifted me up so that I might see there was something to see, but that I was not yet the man to see it. And You beat back the weakness of my gaze, blazing upon me too strongly, and I was shaken with love and dread. And I knew I was far from You in the region of unlikeness, as if I heard Your voice from on high: "I am the food of grown men: grow and you shall eat Me. And You shall not change Me into yourself as bodily food, but unto Me you shall be changed". I tasted You, and now hunger and thirst for You; You touched me, and I have burned for Your peace.

St. Augustine of Hippo (350—430)

LENT 2014

I know God will not give me anything I can't handle. I just wish that He didn't trust me



so much **Mother Teresa**

Every Friday in Lent Stations of the Cross
12.30 pm Bede's Church
7.30 pm Holy Ghost Church

Early morning Mass: 6.30 am at St. Bede's Church on Thursdays. Breakfast available afterwards; bacon rolls 50p each, all proceeds go to CAFOD.

Go to Confession:

Reconciliation service in St Joseph's on Sunday 6th April at 3 pm

Candidates: We remember in your prayers Milly McGann, Evi Giakoumi, Kat Appleton & Kathy York, who will be received and Confirmed this Easter.

Bishop's Pastoral Letter

Bishop Philip's Pastoral Letter for Lent will be read at all Masses. Copies are available in the cloister area and on the Parish website.

Parish diary: 23rd March 2014

Sun: Music : 9 am Choir : 11.00 am Filipino: 6.30 pm Guitar
Children's Liturgy at 9 am Mass
Refreshments after the 9 am Mass
Repository open after the 9 & 11 am Masses
Signed Mass for the hard of hearing at 11 am Mass

Welcome to Fr. Peter who will be celebrating our 9 and 11 am Masses today. Fr Chris is celebrating the Masses in Hook

Mon: SVP SJ @ 7.30 pm

Requiem Sybil Childsworth RIP HG @ 3 pm

Tues: Fr. Chris: Day off

Toddler Group SB meet 1.30—3.15 pm

Wed: Fr. Chris: Diocesan Safeguarding meeting

Journey in Faith SB @ 7.30 pm

Choir SB @ 7.30 pm

Thur: Fr. Chris: Pastoral Area Meeting SB at 12 noon

Fri: Fr. Chris: Wedding Appt SB @ 5 pm

Confirmation 7—9 pm

Sat: The Lord's Flock SB 5.30—8.30 pm

Requiem Mass for Sybil Mary Charlesworth RIP

on Monday 24th March at 3 pm in Holy Ghost Church.



We remember her family at this sad time. May she rest in peace. We welcome Fr. Peter Hart from Alton who will be officiating at the Requiem.

On Sunday 6th April, the red

Boxes will be collected after all Masses for emptying.



Thank you to Teresa Connor for co-ordinating this.

Sunday collection amounted to £1,865.59p. Second collection for CAFOD amounted to £665.97. Grateful thanks

Parish Mass Timetable

Sun:	23rd March —Third Sunday of Lent (Psalter 3; Yr: A) - (Weekdays Yr: 2) See Parish Mass Book, p 158
	9.00 am SB People of the Parish
	11.00 am SB Michael Colley RIP
	6.30 pm SB In thanksgiving Ralph Family
Mon:	9.30 am HG Fred & Eileen Parsons RIP (Hughes)
Tues:	<i>No Mass today at St. Bede's</i>
	9.15 am SJ St. Joseph's—Basingstoke
	10.00 am SH Sacred Heart—Hook
Wed:	<i>No Mass today at Holy Ghost</i>
	10.00 am SH Sacred Heart—Hook
Thurs:	6.30 am SB Geoff Fowler
Fri:	9.30 am HG Int. Joan Buckley (Daly)
	10.00—11 HG Exposition & Adoration
	12.30 pm SB Stations of the Cross
	7.30 pm HG Stations of the Cross
Sat:	9.30 am SB Ellen Hanna RIP
Sun:	30th March—Fourth Sunday of Lent
	9.00 am SB Greg Shorten RIP (Shorten)
	11.00 am SB People of the Parish
	6.30 pm SB Tony Bennett RIP (White)

St Bede's Kneeler Group

We are a group formed in September 2012 with the aim of providing beautiful and unique needlepoint kneelers for St Bede's Church.

We have had a wonderful response from parish groups and individuals sponsoring kneelers. We are now in need of additional members, no experience needed as we will teach you all you need to know and all materials are provided. This group is open to men or women of all ages. If you are interested in finding out more our next meeting is on **Saturday 29th March at St Bede's Church Hall from 2 pm until 4 pm.** Or contact Susan on 01256 417764 or via e-mail susan.beard@ntlworld.com

Basingstoke Ladies Choir in concert in support of the "Kneeler Fund" will be here at St. Bede's on 26th April at 7.30 pm. Tickets available from the Parish Office or Susan Beard. Price £8.

St. Bede's Catholic Primary School, a thriving, successful and popular school with delightful children (behaviour and attitudes described as outstanding by OFSTED, October 2013) is seeking to appoint an enthusiastic class teacher with effect from September 2014. There is flexibility as to which year group and Key Stage. Applications are welcomed and encouraged from experienced and newly qualified teachers. For more information please contact Colleen Mitchell or Fiona Blackburn at the school (01256 473379)

You are warmly invited to visit the school.

Confessions:

On Sunday between 5.30—6.15 pm. Also on Saturday after the 9.30 am Mass here at St. Bede's



St. Bede's Dinner

A date for your diary:

Friday 16th May there will be a formal dinner held in the church hall here at St. Bede's.



Cost will be £25 a head; this will include: arrival drinks, 3 course meal with wine, coffee and mints. There will also be live music for your entertainment. Numbers are limited, and tickets will be on sale from the end of March, so please book early.

For further information and menu choices, please look out for the posters and keep an eye on the parish website and Facebook

Reminders: Sunday 30th March: Is Mother's Day,

We thank God for all Mothers, and remember all Mother's, grandmothers, great grandmothers who are no longer with us, but who live forever in our memory. May they rest in Peace.

Also: Summer time begins: clocks go forward by 1 hour.

Significant Wedding Anniversaries



The Diocese's sixth Significant Anniversaries Mass and Reception will be celebrated at 11 am on Saturday 28th June 2014 here at St. Bede's, for those celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ Wedding Anniversaries in 2014. Bishop Philip will preside at the Mass. Attendance is by invitation; if you are celebrating one of these anniversaries. There is a dedicated email for further information: anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk