

Third Sunday of
Easter

May 4th 2014



North West Hampshire Catholic News

Weekly Newsletter

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

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Thought for the week

As soon as they recognised the risen Lord, “They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem”. Their joy was so great that it could not wait till morning. They ran the seven miles back to the city to bring the stunning news: **Jesus is alive**. Their depression was lifted, their despair had disappeared. If Christ is risen, all things can be hoped for. Today’s psalm says it: “My heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety. For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay”.

These words refer primarily to Jesus. They refer to us too, for we are members of His Body. However tough things may be, there is an indelible, solid stratum of hope and confidence in us. As men and women of trust, we are oddballs in our secular world, which is grim, sarcastic, sad, expecting the worst, pooh-pooing virtue and unselfishness. We are the opposite. We can begin each day with hope in our hearts, because we know that the risen Christ is with us, helping us interpret everything that may happen, casting His light on every encounter, every problem. The first reading today talks about “the outpouring of the Spirit”; and that Spirit has been given to us. We can navigate this world with a spring in our step, because, in the words of the psalmist, “You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in Your presence, at Your right hand happiness for ever”.

The Living Word—Redemptorist Publications

Before Mass: pray to God.

During Mass: listen to God.

After Mass: talk to everyone.

DIOCESAN PRAYER INTENTIONS (MAY 3RD—10TH)

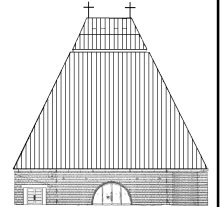
These are arranged so that in the course of a year we pray for each parish of our Diocese and the Catholic organisations working here. This week’s intentions are:

Sun: Parish of English Martyrs, Reading. **Mon:** Community of St. Joseph, Copnor. **Tues:** Parish of St. Laurence, Petersfield. **Wed:** Parish of St. Joseph, Tilehurst. **Thurs:** Parish of Our Lady & St. Edmund, Abingdon. **Fri:** Diocesan Advisors to TV & Radio. **Sat:** Parish of Our Lady, Fleet.



ONE PARISH, TWO CHURCHES

St. Bede's Church, Popley Way, Basingstoke, RG24 9DX
Holy Ghost Church, Sherborne Rd. Basingstoke. RG21 5TX
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Parish Diary: - 4th May 2014

Sun: Music: 9.00 am Choir; 11 am Cantorg (C) ;
6.30 pm; Priest Led
Infant Baptisms—SB 3 pm
Children's Liturgy 9 and 11 am Masses
Refreshments after the 9 am & 11 am Masses
Tues: Fr. Chris day off
CRB checking SB 6.30—8.30 pm
Toddler Group meet SB 1.30—3.15
Wed: Fr. Chris: Wedding App. SB 7 pm
Journey in Faith SB @ 7.30
9 am Choir practice SB 8 pm
Thurs: Fr. Chris: PA meeting SJ 1 pm
Fr. Chris: Pastoral Council meet Hook 8 pm
Sat: Fr. Chris: Wedding HG 1 pm
The Lord's Flock SB 4—5.30 pm (Church)

St. Bede's Dinner Evening on 16th May



Could those who have signed up for the dinner please see either Kate Webb or Lynn Duffy after Mass today, to check their meal choices and payment, even if you have already done so. There are tickets still available up until Sunday 11th May.

Welcome to Fr. Peter who will be celebrating the 9 and 11 am Masses today here at St. Bede's. Fr. Chris will be in Hook this weekend.

Collections

Grateful thanks for last Sunday's offertory collection which amounted to £1,790.13p. Second collection next weekend for Clergy Training Fund.

Congratulations

Melody Mabbott and Daniel Gook who are getting married in Holy Ghost Church on Saturday 10th May at 1 pm



Bible Study Evening at The Convent on Monday

12th May between 7.30—9.00 pm. Please bring your own Bible.

Comboni Missionaries Appeal 2014

We welcome Fr. Franco to St. Bede's on Sunday 11th May at all Masses when he will be making a Mission Appeal on behalf of the Comboni Mission. We pray for the Comboni Missionaries, especially for those who at present are working in the midst of difficult and dangerous situations. May they be encouraged by our spiritual and material support.

CAFOD soup boxes—we would like the boxes back as soon as possible please for counting.



We also received a letter of thanks from **CAFOD** for £250 which was raised from the Lenten breakfasts, so grateful thanks to those who attended and those who prepared the breakfast

Eucharistic Ministers and Readers

If you wish to be considered to becoming a Eucharistic Minister or Reader, can you please contact the Parish Office. We shall be having a training session soon for these two Ministries.

Car Parking

It has been drawn to our attention that parishioners are parking illegally next door in Abbey Court Residential home.... Please do not park there, it is an inconvenience to the residents, and is private property. We need to keep our neighbours happy.

Baptism

This Sunday we welcome into the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism the following children:

Maksym Stanislaw Kucharski,
Zachary Haydon Payne,
Phoebe Alice Gook, Alfie Sean Rogers,
Jeremiah Aquino and Reuben Christopher Tring.



Parish Mass Timetable

4th May 2014

Third Sunday of Easter (Psalter Week 3)

9.00 am SB Francis Murray RIP (Fleming)
11.00 am SB People of the Parish
6.30 pm SB Stephen Quinn RIP

See Parish Mass Book, p. 258

Week beginning 5th May

Mon: Bank holiday

12 noon HG In thanksgiving Gibson Family

Tue: 10.00 am Sacred Heart, Hook

Wed: Third week of Easter

9.30 am HG Felician Sawko RIP (Sawko)

Thurs: *Third week of Easter*

9.30 am SB Int Alan Richard Coppin (Leo Patrick)

Fri: *Third week of Easter*

9.30 am HG Birthday wishes Jillian Simms (Simms)

Sat: St. John of Avila, Priest, Doctor of the Church

Wedding at Holy Ghost Church at 1 pm

Sun: 11th May Fourth Sunday of Easter (Psalter Week 4)

9.00 am SB Guan Perez RIP

11.00 am SB Almerinda Oliveira RIP (Nowoozi)

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., where we will try to accommodate your request.

Available in the cloister area in **the bookcase CTS prayer book St John XXIII and St. John Paul II**, price £2.50p, please place money in the box under the hatch

Pamper evening organised by the Life Team 22nd May

St. Bede's Church, Entry: £5 to include a free tea, coffee or soft drink + cake or biscuit! Bar.

Book the treatments in advance by ringing 07790 823781 to get your pick of available times, or book on the night!

Treatments cost from £5.

Tickets available from the Life Charity Shop, 7 Winchester Street, Basingstoke RG21 7ED (01256 475637) during opening hours: 10am till 4.30pm Monday to Saturday.

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 Gatachalian, John Hickey, Joan Gomes, Carmel Hyland, Larry Hynan, Jillian Simms, Anne Quinn, Jacqueline Hudson, Jenny McMahon, Julian Boma, Juliet Mitchell, and Phyllis McMorrow.

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.

Morning Prayer can refresh and recharge your soul as you get ready to take on the day. 'Morning Prayer' will be recited each morning before Mass in both Holy Ghost Church and St. Bede's Church.

Adoration of the Bl. Sacrament

Will take place in Holy Ghost Church after the 9.30 am Mass every Friday.

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. Parents should be attending Church on a regular basis. Due to the large number of such baptisms we currently celebrate this Sacrament on designated Sundays, this being the First Sunday of the Month at 3 pm in St. Bede's Church only.

Loop system

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



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

Fr. Peter Codd, Hook. ——— St. Francis Home for Skills Training (SAFRAHOST) (Serving Kumbo and Bamenda Diocese, Cameroon West Africa)

is an educational centre for residential and day students, catering for vulnerable teenagers, especially those from families affected by HIV/Aids and also young people recently discharged from juvenile prison. The education includes; academic subjects such as English, French, Mathematics and Computer Studies, but also skills training in Carpentry, Shoe Manufacturing and Repair, Knitting, Dressmaking, Motorbike Maintenance, Welding, Vegetable Growing and Pig and Poultry Care.

Please donate hand-tools, sewing machines (electric or hand), wool (for recycling), good quality clothing, kitchen equipment and any items with the above skills training in mind.

Please place garments or tools in cardboard boxes clearly labelled as to its contents (light enough to lift).

Leave at the Priest House or in the Church Porch. Clothing and Woollens (in boxes) may be delivered to Maryfield Convent for safe storage. Web site: www.safrahost.wordpress.com

Please donate:

Carpentry tools: chisels, saws, drills and other hand tools and small electrical machines

Motorbike workshop: spanners, tyre levers, scissors, tyre pump, socket sets etc.

Shoe mending/manufacturing: sewing machines, filing machines, leather etc.

Sewing Room: sewing thread, cloth for practical work, machine fan belts, sewing machines, bobbin cases, electric irons

Knitting workshop: knitting machines, selectors, knitting brushes, casting pins and wool/woollen jumpers

Garden tools: spades, forks, hoes etc.

Cookery equipment: pots, pans, mixing bowls, baking sheets etc.

Hair dressing equipment: scissors, brushes etc.

Educational equipment: exercise books, pens, pencils etc

Also good quality clothing and any items with the above skills training in mind.

Please place garments or tools in cardboard boxes clearly labelled as to its contents (light enough to lift).

Polish Mass 31st May at 6 pm

Następna Msza Święta po polsku
odbędzie się w sobotę,
dnia 31.05.2014
o godz. 18:00
w kościele Holy Ghost Church,
Sherborne Road, RG21 5TD



Pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela (the Camino) began in the 9th century with the discovery of the tomb of the Apostle James the Great and is now a worldwide destination. The Confraternity of St. James is the official UK agency providing support to pilgrims on the Camino and we have designed an officially sanctioned English section from Reading to Southampton. If you would like a 3 hour taste of the Camino experience please join us on 11th June when we will be walking from Mortimer to Pamber. Find out more by emailing a mleyland@live.co.uk using the title "St. James Way 2014".

St. John XXIII & St. John Paul II

On behalf of the whole Diocese of Portsmouth, I would like to express delight and gratitude to God for the canonisation of Blessed John XXIII and Blessed John Paul II last Sunday by Pope Francis in Rome. Here we have great popes of living memory. In them the Church is not only being given two powerful intercessors in heaven but also for us on earth two inspiring examples of Christian discipleship and priestly ministry. Pope John XXIII, who reigned from 1958 to 1963, will be remembered above all for calling the Second Vatican Ecumenical Council. The Council met in four plenary sessions from 1962 to 1965 and most of the world's then 2500 bishops attended it.

St John XXIII & St John Paul II - Pray for us

National Office for Vocation—online Resources

To access the resources www.ukvocation.org/vocations-Sunday-2014.

Pope Francis on vocation

"Vocations are born in prayer.

Behind and before every vocation to the priesthood or to the consecrated life there is always the strong and intense prayer of someone: a grandmother, a grandfather, a mother, a father or a community"