

**NORTH WEST
HAMPSHIRE**

PASTORAL AREA

SERVING THE PARISHES OF
ANDOVER, BASINGSTOKE,
HOOK, TADLEY AND KINGSCLERE



HOLY GHOST PARISH

BASINGSTOKE

St. Bede's Church

Popley Way, Basingstoke,
RG24 9DX

Holy Ghost Church

Sherborne Rd. Basingstoke.
RG21 5TX

SACRED HEART PARISH

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Thought for the Week

"Come after me and I will make you fishers of men." (Mark 1:17) Most of us have heard that scriptural quote many times. It occurs at the very beginning of Mark's Gospel and involves Mark's reporting of the beginning of Jesus' ministry in Galilee. There is a reason that Jesus called these simple men to be His first followers. In part it is an example to each of us.

Peter, Andrew, James, and John were not theologians; they were not learned; they were not known for their skills in speaking to and influencing crowds of people. They were fishermen. God has gifted each of us with various skills and stewardship calls us to use those skills to build the Kingdom of God.

However, just as the Lord recognized something in those first Apostles, He sees the same in us. It was not what Jesus thought those men could accomplish, but His understanding of what they could do with Him, and Him working through them. In the same way we can accomplish much if we allow the Lord to work within us and through us. The well known late broadcaster Paul Harvey once said, "Too many Christians are no longer fishers of men, but keepers of the aquarium." Stewardship is the means by which we, just as the first Apostles did, can become evangelists and "fishermen," so to speak.

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MASS TIMES AND INTENTION

25th January 2015

Sun 25th Jan	9.00 am	SB	People of the Parish
	11.00 am	SB	Peggy Sheehan RIP (O'Brien)
	6.30 pm	SB	Dec. Mbrs Hynes & Murphy Families
Mon 26th Jan	<i>St. Timothy, Bishop, Martyr</i>		
	9.30 am	SB	In thanksgiving Gibson Family (Gibson)
Tues 27th Jan	<i>St. Angela Merici, Foundress</i>		
	9.30 am	SB	Antonina Bogacka RIP (Sawko)
	10.30 am	SB	Funeral Service Cedric Gabriel RIP
Wed 28th Jan	<i>St. Thomas Aquinas, Religious, Doctor of the Church</i>		
	9.30 am	HG	Maureen Burnand RIP
Thurs 29th Jan	Feria		
	9.30 am	SB	Bridget Foy RIP
Fri 30th Jan	Feria		
	11.00 am	HG	Requiem Larry Hynan RIP
	<i>St. John Bosco</i>		
Sat 31st Jan	9.30 am	SB	Larry Hynan RIP (Butler & Redmond)
Sun 1st Feb	9.00 am	SB	People of the Parish
	11.00 am	SB	Cyril O'Hanlon RIP (Murphy)
	6.30 pm	SB	Tom Shorten RIP (Shorten)

Morning Prayer; 9.15 am before each weekday Mass at SB or HG

Rosary: recited after the weekday Mass at SB or HG

Before Mass: pray to God. **During Mass:** listen to God.

**PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES
MAY 10TH—15TH 2015
LED BY FR CHRIS**

For those of you who would like to join the Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes... Please see the display on the noticeboard in the cloister area. £665 for full board for 5 days, flying from Heathrow with BA. Coach transfer from Toulouse to Lourdes included. If you would like further information, please ring the Parish Office when an information pack will be sent to you. (Tel. No. 01256 465214). Please let us know if you are interested as soon as possible.



PARISH PILGRIMAGE

St Joseph's and St Bede's Parishes Pilgrimage to Camino de Santiago de Compostella
Time: Early October 2015, up to 7 days (to be decided)
Fr Mark and Fr Chris will be leading the pilgrimage.
Please let Alfredo Lavorgna know by phone Tel 01256 321496 or e-mail alavorgna@btinternet.com a s a p. A meeting will be arranged in the New Year to discuss this further, once we have an idea of how many may wish to go.

CHRISTIAN UNITY SERVICE

Sunday 25th January at 6.30 pm
St. Joseph's have been invited to host our local Basingstoke Christian Unity Service on Sun. 25th January. Leaders and parishioners from Christian Communities across the Town will be attending to join in prayers and worship. St. Joseph's have extended a warm welcome to St. Bede's parishioners to attend.

EVANGELISATION STRATEGY TEAMS

Bishop Phil has asked each Pastoral Area to hold a Holy Hour for New Evangelisation, for the intentions of the New Evangelisation Team.
St. Joseph's will be holding this Holy Hour on Sunday 1st February from 4 pm.

DIOCESAN PRAYER FOR EVANGELISATION

Heavenly Father,
we thank you most sincerely for the
Joy of the Gospel,
which fills the hearts and lives of all who
encounter your Son, Jesus.
Help the Christian faithful of the
Diocese of Portsmouth
to accept your offer of salvation
so that we may be set free
to embark upon a new chapter of
Spirit-filled Evangelisation,
marked by this missionary joy.
Mary Immaculate—pray for us.

St. Edmund of Abingdon—pray for us. Amen.
We have been asked to pray this through the coming year by Bishop Philip

PARISH DIARY: 25th JANUARY

Music Ministry: 9 am Choir: 11 am Cantorg:
6.30 pm Priest Led:
Refreshments after the 11 am Mass today
Tues: Toddler Group SB 1.30—3.15 pm

FUNERALS:

Funeral Service for Cedric Gabriel RIP

At St. Bede's Church on Tuesday 27th Jan at 10.30 am

Requiem for Larry Hynan RIP

At Holy Ghost Church on Friday 30th Jan at 11 am.

Requiem for Jennie McMahon RIP

At Holy Ghost Church on Friday 6th February at 11 am.

We remember their families at this sad time. May they Rest in Peace.

CAR PARKING

If you arrive late for Mass (which you should not) and the car park is full and you park down the centre aisle, please be courteous to your fellow parishioners by returning to your car promptly, so that the other car park users can leave.

WELCOMERS'

We would like to extend the welcoming teams for each of our Sunday Masses.
This is a very rewarding and not too demanding Ministry.
If you would like to find out more about this please contact Veronika Budzynski (Tel. No. 01256 464436) or email Veronika.budzynski@outlook.com

COLLECTIONS:

Last weeks collection amounted to £1,978.14, grateful thanks. Second collection next weekend (1st Feb) for Catholic Education Service

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK IN OUR PARISH

Please pray for all those who are sick:
Lord, have all those who are unable to be with us for Mass in Your safekeeping.
Support them in Your love.
Be near them in moments of sickness and anxiety.
Bless all those who care for those in need.

WEBCAM

If you are housebound, you can see the Mass Celebrated by logging onto www.stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk

CONFESSIONS

Confessions will usually be available every Saturday after the 9.30 am Mass until 10.45 am here at St. Bede's Church.

**KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBA 'LUCKY ME'
JANUARY WINNER**

Congratulations to Barbara King, who won £25

AND FINALLY Thank you to our four Hospital Lay Chaplains who take Holy Communion to the sick in our hospital weekly.