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HAMPSHIRE
PASTORAL AREA**

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



**HOLY GHOST PARISH
BASINGSTOKE**

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Sacred Heart Parish
Sacred Heart Church
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Fifth Sunday of Easter

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Thought for the week

Jesus took for granted that his Jewish faith needed laws and institutions like the Temple if it was going to transmit its message to the next generation. And so he knew that his Church must be built on the rock of Peter; then God would preserve it from all its enemies. But in today's Gospel, he tells his disciples at the Last Supper that if they are to survive they must remain close to him. He takes the image of the vineyard, which was used to represent Israel in the Old Testament, and in a sense identifies himself with it by saying: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser."

If the disciples are to survive then they must be branches of Jesus, the vine. And just as a vine is pruned to make it more fruitful, the disciples will also grow by being tested in their faith. Jesus tells them to remain close to him and have the living sap flowing in their branches, or else they will shrivel up. He insists that at the heart of their faith there is this close personal relationship with him: "Make your home in me, as I make mine in you." As they are united in Christ so they will be united through him to the Father. But this experience is not just for special members of the Church, like the apostles. The Spirit is given to everyone. All are called to have this "mystic" experience of being so close to Christ in their daily life that they produce good fruit.

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**MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS
3rd June 2015**

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| Sun 3rd May | 9.00 am | Fr B SB | Gladys Deards RIP |
| | 11.00 am | Fr C SB | Jadwiga Cierpik RIP (Malek) |
| | 6.30 pm | Fr C SB | People of the Parish |
| Mon 4th | | | <i>The English Martyrs</i> |
| | 10.00 am | Fr C HG | Cynthia Noble RIP (Flynn) |
| Tues 5th | | | <i>Fifth Week of Easter</i> |
| | 9.30 am | Fr B SB | Int. Vera Morris |
| Wed 6th | | | <i>Fifth Week of Easter</i> |
| | 9.30 am | Fr B HG | Barbara Grygier RIP (Merriam) |
| Thurs 7th | | | <i>Fifth Week of Easter</i> |
| | 9.30 am | Fr C SB | Francis Murray RIP (Fleming) |
| Fri 8th | | | <i>Fifth Week of Easter</i> |
| | 9.30 am | Fr C HG | Ken Barrington RIP (Davidson) |
| Sat 9th | | | <i>Fifth Week of Easter</i> |
| | 9.30 am | Fr B SB | In thanksgiving Thomas Sig |
| Sun 10th | 9.00 am | Fr B SB | People of the Parish |
| | 11.00 am | Fr B SB | Happy Birthday Jillian Sims (Sims) |
| | 6.30 pm | Fr B SB | Theresa Cachia RIP (Sammut) |

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.
After Mass in the cloister area; talk to everyone.

PARISH DATABASE CENSUS – 3rd & 10th May

A Parish Census taken at all Sunday Masses will take place today and next Sunday 10th May. At Masses that weekend you will be asked to complete a Census Form (one per household) which will allow us to create and hold details about you and your family on the new database. It is very important that you complete a form, *even if* you have been in the Parish for twenty years and think we know all about you! WHY IS THIS CENSUS FORM NECESSARY?

It is very important for our Parish Clergy and Parish Office to have quick access to this type of accurate information, especially in the case of an emergency, and particularly as our Clergy now work increasingly throughout the whole parish, not just in their own local areas. The new database will supersede old records, so please do ensure that we are able to maintain up-to-date details about your household by completing a census form on 3rd and 10th May. The information given, as well as providing us with correct records, will be used to help us gain a better insight into the range of Sacramental Programmes, ministries and active groups that are part of our diverse, yet unified, Parish. **DATA PROTECTION** *By completing the census form you are agreeing that the information can be entered into our records and this will be viewed as 'informed consent' by the Parish. All information will be treated in confidence and will be used only to help with personal and Pastoral care and the appropriate administration of the Parish, in conjunction with the Diocese. We comply with the Data Protection Act and no information will be passed to third parties without prior permission.*

BASINGSTOKE FOODBANK Currently they are very short of fruit juice. We are appealing for a few more volunteers to help at the Foodbank, if you would like some more information, please contact [in-fo@basingstoke.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:info@basingstoke.foodbank.org.uk) or call 07722 673645

MARY'S MEAL BAG PACK Our young people are working towards Mary's Meal bag-pack project to help children in Africa to be better equipped for learning. We are kindly asking parishioners to support the cause by donating a bag including the following items and to bring it to St Joseph's church on the masses of 16th-17th May. The Charity will collect all the bags and store them until they are shipped to Africa. For further information visit <https://www.marysmeals.org.uk/get-involved/the-backpack-project/what-to-pack> Items : Notepad, pens, pencils, crayons, eraser, ruler, sharpener, pencil case, towel, shorts or skirt, t-shirt or dress, flip-flops or sandals, soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, small ball and a spoon.

POLISH MASS

In Holy Ghost Church on Sat. 16th May at 6 pm.

SIGNIFICANT WEDDINGS 2015

Significant Wedding Anniversaries Mass Saturday 27th June at 11 am in St. Bede's Church



Are you celebrating a 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th or any Anniversary over 60 years this year? If so, Bishop Philip would like to invite you to a Mass of Celebration. This will take place here at St. Bede's Church on Saturday 27th June. If you would like to come, please contact the Parish Office, tel. No. 465214, or email: anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

PARISH DIARY: 3rd June

Sun: Music: 9 am Choir: 11 am Cantorg: 6.30 pm Organ
Baptisms: SB at 3 pm
Refreshments after 9 am Mass
Repository open after all Masses
Tues: Toddler Group SB 1.30—3.15 pm
Thur: Finance Meet SH @ 7 pm
Sat: The Lord's Flock SB 5—8.30 pm

COLLECTIONS:

Last weeks collection amounted to £2,010.49. Second collection for Clergy Training Fund amounted to £330.93p. Grateful thanks. Today there will be a second collection for CAFOD in aid of the people in Nepal, following the powerful earthquake this week. Please collect your empty red boxes from the cloister area. Thank you.

PARISH LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

Fr. Chris will led the Parish pilgrimage to Lourdes on Sunday 10th May—15th May. If you wish to send a petition to Lourdes, please leave your petition clearly marked 'Lourdes petition', in an envelope and return to the Parish Office before Friday, please do not place any money into the Envelope

REQUIEM

Requiem for Barbara Grygier RIP on Friday 22nd May at 11 am in Holy Ghost Church.. Body will be received into the Church on Thursday 21st May at 4.00 pm. We remember Barbara's family at this sad time. May She Rest in Peace.

TUESDAY FAITH FORMATION

Sharing the Joy of the Gospel. St. Bede's are hosting these evenings May 19th, June 23rd, July 21st, Sept 22nd, Oct 20th, Nov 17th. If you wish to attend, there is no registration, you will be most welcome.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS/READERS

Please email Brian Morris as a matter of urgency, if you wish to remain in these Ministries. If we don't hear from you by 1st June, your name will be removed from future rotas.

TREES

The eagle eyed of you will have noticed that the trees in the courtyard have been removed, sadly their roots were lifting the pavers, and making their way towards the cloister area. Please do not trip over them before we have them re-laid.

AND FINALLY Thank you for completing the census form.