

**NORTH WEST
HAMPSHIRE
PASTORAL AREA**

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



HOLY GHOST PARISH

BASINGSTOKE

St. Bede's Church

Popley Way, Basingstoke,
RG24 9DX

Holy Ghost Church

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RG21 5TX

Sacred Heart Parish

Sacred Heart Church
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Thought for the Week

Gospel stories like today's one may seem distant to us, rooted as they are in terminology alien to our understanding of the universe in which we live. The point of this story, however, is as relevant to us today as it was to Jesus' initial group of disciples. At all times, disciples are to be wary of giving allegiance to what may seem impressive now, but will not last. The list of these may include people, ideologies, wealth, technology.... We can make the list almost endless.

As we approach the end of this Liturgical Year, we are reminded that all of these are transitory. We are called always to have our hearts set on the Kingdom of God. As Jesus reminds us, not even the Son of Man knows the day when He will return, but He does stress one essential thing: heaven and earth (might - indeed), will - pass away, but His words will never pass away.

- In the ancient world, people believed that in the heavens there were powers that controlled aspects of human life.
- Jesus points out the transitory nature of the things we experience on earth and elsewhere in the universe.
- When the Son of Man returns, He will be seen for what He is: the Lord of Life, against whom every other power or authority will diminish and disappear; until then, His eternal and life-giving words remain.

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MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sun 15th Nov

9.00 am	Fr C	SB	Int. John Nunn (Kinge)
11.00 am	Fr C	SB	St. Vincent de Paul Deceased Members
6.30 pm	Fr M	SB	Veronica & Robert Leckie RIP (Clague)

Mon 16th Nov 9.15 am at St Joseph's, South Ham

10.00 am at Sacred Heart, Hook

Tues 17th Nov 9.15 am at St Joseph, South Ham

10.00 am at Sacred Heart, Hook

Wed 18th Nov 9.30 am Fr C HG Todd Bowers RIP (Flitcroft)

Thurs 19th Nov 9.30 am Fr C SB Maria Sauleek RIP

Fri 20th Nov 9.30 am Fr C HG Tony Morwood-Leyland RIP

10—11 am HG Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Sat 21st Nov 9.30 am Fr C SB Todd Bowers RIP (Brownlie)

SB Confessions 10.00 am

Sun 22nd Nov

9.00 am Fr C SB John Reilly RIP

11.00 am Fr C SB Georgia Conn RIP (Bracknell)

6.30 pm Fr C SB Kathleen & Patrick Bruen RIP

Morning Prayer: 9.15am 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.

NOVEMBER is the Month when we remember the Deceased members of our Parish, family and friends. There is a box placed on the Sanctuary in front of the Altar. If you would like to place all the names of the Deceased, please place them in an envelope and leave in the basket.

Please note: do not place money in the envelope.

FUNERAL

Funeral Service for Margaret Mary Hampshire RIP at the Crematorium on Friday 20th November at 12.30 pm

ST VINCENT DE PAUL (SVP)

Senior's Christmas Party at St. Bede's Parish Hall on Saturday 5th December between 2—4.30 pm. Please register—there will be a list available in the cloister area, please sign up.

ST. BEDE'S SCHOOL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Fr. Chris will be available on these dates to sign school forms at St. Bede's Church in the Cloister:

Thursday 19th November after morning Mass until 11.15am

Saturday 28th November at 11.00 till 12.00 noon.

Please remember to bring along the Stamped Mass attendance card.

GIVING TREE

As usual as Christmas approaches we will be setting up the Advent giving tree in the church foyer. This is to donate presents to children spending Christmas in care. The tree will be up from Saturday evening 21st Nov. So please take a ticket from the tree with a child's present request. Wrapped presents need to be returned by Sunday 6th Dec.

BASINGSTOKE LIFE GROUP

Life Group has a table at the Kempshott Christmas Festival on 21st Nov. Do pop a long to support us.

YOUTH

National Youth Sunday Mass- 22nd Nov 6pm followed by a social @ St Joseph's Church

For those attending Chosen/post-Confirmation group; your first mentor session is on the 3rd Dec @St Bede's from 7:30-9:30pm

We need your support by wrapping presents at TOYS r us from 4-6pm. We'll do this in aid of Muffin dreams, a charity that helps children with particular needs. Contact Angie if you want to help.

Christmas Party on the 18th Dec 7:30-9:30pm at St Bede's. You NEED to register in order to attend. More info on 07713567161

VOLUNTEERS WANTED!

SYRO MALABAR

Mass in Holy Ghost Church every fourth Sunday of the Month at 4 pm

MISSIO RED BOXES

Please collect your empty boxes from the cloister area, and thank you to Teresa O'Connor the co-ordinator.

PARISH DIARY:

Sun: 9am Choir: 11am Filipino : 6.30 pm Guitar

Repository open after all Masses today

Tues: Toddler Group meet SB 1.30—3.15 pm

Wed: 9 am Choir practice S B at 7.30 pm

Thurs: Fr. Chris will be available 10.15—11.15 in the cloister area to sign School supporting documents

Sat: Baptisms at 12 noon

FR CHRIS will be celebrating the 6 pm Mass in St. Joseph's this weekend. Welcome to Fr Mark who will be with us to celebrate the 6.30 pm Mass here THIS EVENING

PASTORAL LETTER FROM THE BISHOP

Copies are available in the cloister area.

SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE

For many years Serena has been our Safeguarding Representative abled assisted by Adrian, who are now stepping down from this important role. We thank them for all their hard work making sure that we have been compliant with Diocesan Safeguarding procedures, concerning children and vulnerable adults. They are not leaving the parish, simply standing down from this demanding role. We wish them well and God's Blessing.

REFRESHMENTS

Several people have come forward to help with refreshments after the 9 am Mass, so hopefully, we will have a new rota for January 2016.

REPOSITORY

There is a large selection of Christmas cards, cribs available, please call in and see the variety.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READERS

If you are interested in becoming a Reader and Eucharistic Minister at any of the Masses, we are particularly keen to recruit more for the 9 and 6.30 pm Masses. Please contact Brian Morris on Tel. No 01256 351494

BASINGSTOKE FOODBANK

The limited storage space at the Foodbank is completely full, having recently received many generous harvest donations from local primary schools, including St Bedes, so please will Parishioners stop donating to the Foodbank box for the time being. It is a great blessing that we have so much Christianity evident in our community in Basingstoke; we ask for your understanding while we get on top of the huge amount of donated food. We will let you know when we are requiring more supplies. Thank you for your continued support for our efforts to help local people who are in crisis.

COLLECTIONS

Collection for last weekend amount to £2,183.53p. Grateful thanks for your support.

AND FINALLY: Thank you to our counting teams.