

**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**

Sherborne Rd. Basingstoke.  
RG21 5TX

**Sacred Heart Parish**

Sacred Heart Church  
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**Thirty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time—8th November 2015**

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**Psalter week 4**

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**Thought for the Week**

The injustices that afflicted the widows in scripture continue to affect those who are poor and vulnerable in our day. And we particularly remember the millions of widows globally who are victims of war and conflict, which have impoverished them. No concept other than the kingdom of God appears more frequently in the Gospels than warnings about wealth. The Church has an obligation to work for peace and justice in the world, and constantly to review its economic practice to ensure that vulnerable groups are supported. The church is called to have compassion for those on the margins of society with no wealth or influence. And active peace making in a world where staggering resources are devoted to waging war is clearly part of the Church's mission.

What about individual Christians? All of us are challenged not to let financial self-interest dominate our lives. The widow in the Gospel was able to let go of her security by giving her last coins—a small deed of love. We are called to be selfless with the resources at our disposal, particularly supporting poor and vulnerable people. Today's readings encourage us to rely on God for all our needs, and thank God each day for the many blessings received and the small deeds of love that we experience.

- \* The widows of the world are among the most marginalised in society, such as war widows in Afghanistan and Iraq.
- \* Jesus condemns economic injustice that oppresses widows and that includes religious legislation.
- \* There is an imperative for the Church, and for individual Christians, to tackle economic injustice and work for peace.

*Taken from 'The Living Word' Redemptorist Publications*

**MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS**

<b>Sun 8th Nov</b>	9.00 am	Fr C	SB	John Reilly RIP
	11.00 am	Fr C	SB	Margaret Golding RIP (Lee)
	6.30 pm	Fr C	SB	Holy Souls
Mon 9th Nov	12.00 noon	Fr C	HG	In thanksgiving Gabyl Lloyd Somme Gibson
Tues 10th Nov	9.15 am			at St Joseph, South Ham
Wed 11th Nov	1 pm	Fr C	SB	Requiem Sean McNamara RIP
Thurs 12th Nov	10.00 am			at Sacred Heart, Hook
Fri 13th Nov	9.30 am	Fr C	HG	Brenda Eakins RIP
	10—11 am		HG	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Sat 14th Nov	9.30 am	Fr C	SB	John & Mary Cullen RIP
<b>Sun 15th November</b>				
	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)

**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.

If you are visiting our Churches of St. Bede's or Holy Ghost, you are most welcome.

## REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Remembrance Sunday, which falls on 8 November in 2015, is a day for the Nation to remember and honour those who have sacrificed themselves to secure and protect our freedom. May they Rest in the peace of Christ.

**BLESSING OF THE GRAVES IN WORTING RD. CEMETERY** at 2.30 pm TODAY

**NOVEMBER is the Month** when we remember the deceased members of our Parish, family and friends. There will be 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.

## FUNERALS

**Requiem Mass** for Sean McNamara RIP on Wednesday 11th November at 1 pm in St. Bede's Church.

**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. More details next week.

## ST. BEDE'S SCHOOL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Fr. Chris will be available on these dates to sign school forms :

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.

## CALLING ALL GRANDPARENTS

Bishop Philip Egan invites all Grandparents to join him at St. John's Cathedral, at 12.15 p.m. on Friday, 12th February 2016, to formally inaugurate the Catholic Grandparents Association in Portsmouth. The Mass will be followed by an address from Catherine Wiley, Founder of the CGA. Refreshments provided afterwards in the Parish Hall. All will be very welcome. For more details, contact 01328 560333 or email [info@catholicgrandparentsassociation.org](mailto:info@catholicgrandparentsassociation.org)

For more information regarding this press release from the CGA contact [info@catholicgrandparentsassociation.org](mailto:info@catholicgrandparentsassociation.org) or visit [www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org](http://www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org)

## YOUTH

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

For those attending Chosen/post-confirmation group; your first mentor session is on the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup> Dec 7:30-9:30pm at St Bede's. You NEED to register in order to attend. More info on 07713567161

**VOLUNTEERS WANTED!**

## PARISH DIARY:

Sun: 9am Choir: 11am Popley: 6.30 pm Piano Refreshments after the 9 am Mass today Repository open after all Masses today Blessing of Graves, Worting Rd at 2.30 pm

Tues: Toddler Group meet SB 1.30—3.15 pm

Wed: 9 am Choir practice SB at 7.30

## MISSIO RED BOXES

Will be collected today.

## REFRESHMENTS

This is the last week we will be having refreshments after the 9 am Mass, this is due to our volunteer numbers dwindling. We will try and get a rota together again in the New Year. Our grateful thanks to those faithful parishioners who have been on this rota for many years.

## PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2016

After a very successful pilgrimage to Lourdes this year.

Fr. Chris will be leading another pilgrimage May 9th—13th 2016. Further information will be available as soon as we are able to finalise costs.

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK IN OUR PARISH

Please pray for all those who are sick, those who are unable to be present with us during our Parish Celebration of Mass. We pray also for those who are caring for the sick and those in need, for those Parishioners who take Holy Communion, visit the sick, we thank God for them and the Service they provide to our Parishioners

## GLOBAL CATHOLIC CLIMATE MOVEMENT PETITION

In less than a month world leaders will meet in Paris to agree a global climate deal. Be part of the Global Catholic Climate Movement and show politicians why climate change matters to you. Please go to [cafod.org.uk/climate](http://cafod.org.uk/climate) to sign up online by 15 November.

## POLISH MASS

In Holy Ghost Church on Sat. 21st November at 2 pm

## BASINGSTOKE CHORAL SOCIETY

Messiah Handel, at The Anvil on Sunday 15th November at 7 pm. For further information please ring Tel. No 01256 844244

## CAR PARK SAFETY

Now the nights are drawing in and in view of the recent fog, please ensure that your children do not cross either car park unaccompanied, we have had reports of near misses recently.

## STILLNESS BEFORE MASS

5 minutes before Mass starts, bells with ring, this marks the start of a period for all of us to pray and prepare ourselves for Mass. Please respect the needs of those around you

## COLLECTIONS

Collection for last weekend amount to £2,392.41p.

Second collection for Bamenda amounted to £654.08p Grateful thanks for your support.

**AND FINALLY:** Thank you to Liz Flitcroft for overseeing the installation of our new boilers—spending many hours here above the call of duty.