

**NORTH WEST
HAMPSHIRE
PASTORAL AREA**

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



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
London Road, Hook
RG27 9LA

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Third Sunday of Easter

10th April 2016

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Thought for the Week

There is much to digest (literally) in today's Gospel Reading from St. John. It reports the third time that Jesus appeared to His Apostles. The Lord appears on the shore of the Sea of Tiberias, which is another name by which the Sea of Galilee is known. It is early in the morning, and Peter and the others had been fishing unsuccessfully, and obviously were near to the shore, but at Jesus' urging they cast their nets again and caught many fish, which they then brought to shore.

According to the Gospel Jesus had breakfast with them, and then He poses the question to Peter specifically, "Do you love me?" The exchange between the Lord and Peter is carefully narrated, as are Jesus' responses. However, at the end of the Gospel Reading for today, Jesus says two simple words to Peter, "Follow Me." Of course, these are the same two words with which we are familiar that Jesus used to call Peter and the other's in the beginning.

We need to understand that these instructions from Jesus are not just for the Apostles but for us as well. How have we responded to that call? Our reaction does not have to be as dramatic as Peter's and the others, who abandoned their lives and their livelihood and became total followers of Christ. However, we, too, need to find the strength and the commitment to follow the Lord. How we carry that out is our stewardship, how we live our lives.

Taken from "The Catholic Seward.com"

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday	10th April	Third Sunday of Easter		
	9.00 am	Fr C	SB	Ned Fagan RIP
	11.00 am	Fr C	SB	Salvadore Agro RIP
	6.30 pm	Fr W	SB	People of the Parish
Mon 11th	12.00 noon	This Mass is at St. Bede's Church 55th Wedding Anniversary Pat & Carl Grey		
Tues 12th	8.00am	Adoration/ Morning Prayer at St Joseph's		
	9.15am	Mass at St Joseph's		
Wed 13th	9.30 am	Fr. C	HG	Margaret (Peg) Leahy (O'Brien)
Thurs 14th	8.00 am	Fr C	SB	A Da Silva RIP (Gomez)
Fri 15th	9.30 am	Fr C	HG	Salvadore Agro RIP (Took)
	10—11 am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament		
Sat 16th	9.30 am	Fr C	SB	May O'Brien & John Mahoney RIP (Mahoney)
		Reconciliation after the 9.30 am Mass until 10.45 am		

Sunday	17th April	Fourth Sunday of Easter		
	9.00 am	Fr C	SB	Jack Bowan, Jack Togher RIP (Togher)
	11.00 am	Fr C	SB	Marie Payne RIP
	6.30 pm	Fr C	SB	Ryszard Dzida RIP (Damian)

SB = St. Bede's Church

HG = Holy Ghost Church

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

ST BEDE'S SCHOOL

Welcome back from the Easter Holidays our Parents, Children and Teachers.

ST. BEDE'S KNEELER GROUP

We are a group formed in September 2012 with the aim to provide beautiful and unique needlepoint kneelers for St Bede's Church. We have had a wonderful response from parish groups and individuals sponsoring kneelers. We are now in need of additional members, no experience needed as we will teach you all you need to know and all materials are provided. This group is open to men or women of all ages. Our next meeting is in the Church hall on Wednesday 13th April at 7 pm until 9 pm

MISSIO RED BOXES

Will be collected after all Masses on Sunday 24th April for counting by Teresa Connor and Bob Carr.

ADORE (Alton Day Of REnewal)

Saturday 23rd April 2016 11.00—2 pm

You are warmly welcome to a mini-retreat day (or morning/afternoon) of spiritual refreshment and renewal, focussing on the Year of Mercy, at St. Lucy's Convent, Medstead Manor, Medstead. GU34 5LL. 11.00am Rosary; 11.30am Mass; 12.15 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; 1.00pm Shared lunch; 2.00pm Praise & Worship; 2.30 Talk by Peter Hobbs: **"Father forgive them – intercessory prayer"**. For more information and directions, see website: www.altonrenewal.com telephone Deacon John Foley on 07769 251747.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE NEW EVANGELISATION

Fr Mark Hogan would like to invite you to take part in a Diocesan day of prayer for the New Evangelisation (Sharing the Joy of the Gospel) from 10am to 4pm on Saturday 14th May, at St. Joseph's Church, Basingstoke (RG22 6TY). It's so important that our evangelisation efforts are rooted in and sustained by prayer and we'd really love you to come along and be a part of that. More details coming soon, but please put the date in your diary.

CARERS' DAY

Organised by the Catholic Disability Fellowship. *There* will be a speaker in the morning from FitzRoy about Disabled Youth, time to walk in the gardens or visit the church. In the afternoon we hope you will tell us your needs and CDF members will talk from their own experience of coping day to day. We consider how we enable those who are less able to take part in parish ministries. A light lunch will be provided. All carers are welcome but please let us know if you are coming. On Saturday 16th April from 10:30am to 3:30pm. Medstead Convent, Medstead, Alton GU34 5LL. For further information please contact Marjorie Cumpsty by e-mail or telephone 01252 693606.

SICK OF THE PARISH

We remember and pray for the sick in our Parish, those who are in hospital, Nursing Homes and at home. We pray also for those who care for them. Our Lady of Lourdes, Pray for them.

PARISH DIARY:

Sun 10th April:

Music: 9am Choir: 11 am Popley:
6.30 pm Piano

Refreshments after the 9 am Mass

Repository open after all Masses

SVP SB at 7.30 pm

Mon:

Tues:

Thurs:

Sat:

Toddler Group SB 1.30—3.15 pm

JIF (Journey in Faith) - HG Burgess Rd
Church hall 7.30 pm—8.45 pm

Polish Mass in Holy Ghost Church at 6 pm

CONFIRMATION 7TH MAY

Due to great numbers to be Confirmed in our Pastoral Area, the Bishop has decided to have Confirmation in two groups all on the same day. St. Bede's and Sacred Heart Candidates will be Confirmed at St. Bede's Church by Canon Dominic Golding and the rest of the Pastoral Area at the Cathedral to be Confirmed by our Bishop

JIF (JOURNEY IN FAITH)

If you are interested in becoming a Catholic or learning more about the Catholic Faith, we will be starting a series of sessions in Holy Ghost Church Hall, Burgess Rd on Thursday 14th April at 7.30 pm

FUNERAL SERVICE

We pray for Michael McCrohan RIP. His funeral service is on Monday 18th April at 1.15pm at Basingstoke Crematorium. We remember his family at this sad time.

THE PERFECT MODEL OF A MISSIONARY PRIEST

This is the title of a short booklet written by Fr Peter Codd of our Pastoral Area, who, although retired, cares for Hook. This year we celebrate the third centenary of the Ordination of Richard Challoner, one of the most influential bishops of 18th century England. Our Catholic Secondary School in Basingstoke is named in his honour. On Friday 6 May 2016 at 12.15 pm, Bishop Philip will preside at Mass in his honour at Portsmouth Cathedral to which all are invited. His Ordination day was 28 March 1716. Full details of Fr Peter's biography, which costs £3, are available in the cloister area.

CAFOD 2016 LENTEN COLLECTIONS

Special collection	£ 1,082.69
Day by Day booklets	£ 87.94p
Unwanted gift sale	£ 391.11p
Tea & Coffee	£ 139.89p
Soup Lunches	£ 465.63p
Cake Sale	£ 79.30p
Breakfasts	£ 350.00p
Gift Aid	£ 121.51p
Total	£2,743.07p.

This Lent, the amount we raised has been doubled with matched funding from the UK Government. So our Donation will go twice as far to give people living in poverty a supply of clean water. So the total is £5,486.14p
Grateful thanks.

COLLECTION

Sunday collection amounted to £2,836.85p. Grateful thanks.
Second collection on Sunday 17th April for Clergy Training