



The Water I Shall Give  
Will Become A Spring  
Of Living Water  
Welling Up To  
Eternal Life

Mother Teresa - now canonised by the Church as St Teresa of Calcutta - felt that our greatest suffering is not our need or weakness itself, but the feeling of uselessness, of being worthless, unappreciated and unloved. She felt there is a voice in our culture that insist that only the beautiful and “successful” are loveable. She oved the story of Jesus and the Samaritan woman, feeling that the Samaritan woman symbolises our human poverty and yet the possibility of salvation. As a Samaritan the woman was an outcast and she was also a public sinner, losing her dignity as a person, and yet she had a life-changing encounter with Jesus.

In a letter to her Missionaries of Charity at Easter 1993, referring to the story of the Samaritan woman, Mother Teresa wrote:

“Jesus wants me to tell you again how much is the love he has for each one of you - beyond all you can imagine. Not only that he loves you; even more - he longs for you. He misses you even when you don’t come close. He thirsts for you.

He loves you always, even when you don’t feel worthy. Why does Jesus say, ‘I thirst’? What does it mean? It is something so hard to explain in words. ‘I thirst’ is something much deeper than just Jesus saying, ‘I love you’. Until you know deep inside that Jesus thirsts for you, you can’t begin to know who he wants to be for you. Or who he wants you to be for him.”

*Taken from Redemptorist Publications*

## PARISH SACRAMENT PROGRAMES

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Parents Session: 27th April 7:30 - 9:30 pm

Session 6: 29th April  
30th April, FHC Preparation Mass

### CONFIRMATION

Session 6: 31st March  
7.15 - 9.00 pm, St Bede’s Church

Social Session: 28th April  
Session 7: 12th May

### R.C.I.A.

Next Session: 23rd March at 7.30 pm at  
Holy Ghost Church Hall in Burgess Road.

### WORD OF GOD

**BIBLE STUDY:** Date to be arranged at 7.30 pm,  
at Our Lady of Providence Convent, Burgess Road .

## ST MATTHEW PASSION

Basingstoke Choral Society, the Croydon Philharmonic Choir and Ars Eloquentiae, conducted by David Gibson, are delighted to present **St Matthew Passion**, an oratorio written by Bach in 1727. Chapters 26 and 27 of the Gospel of Matthew are set to music in what is widely regarded as one of the masterpieces of classical sacred music.

8th April at the Anvil, Basingstoke: Tickets: £27, £21, £16; Under 16s and f/t students £7 (includes £2 booking fee).

## SIGNIFICANT WEDDINGS 2017

A Significant Wedding Anniversaries Mass will be held here at St. Bede’s Church on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June at 11 am.

Are you celebrating a 25<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or any anniversary over 60 years this year?

If you would like to come, please contact Liz Murphy in the Parish Office, Tel. No. 465214 or email: [anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)



## MISSO RED BOXES

Please can you bring in your red Misso/Mission Boxes on Sunday 26th March, so that they can be emptied and counted.

## PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Are now available on a table in the Cloister Area at St Bede’s and in the Porch at Sacred Heart. Thank you for your continued support.

## DO YOU KNOW?

When you fill in the Gift Aid Declaration Form, together with the establishing of either a Standing Order or the issue of a box of envelopes for every gift you give, the Parish gets Tax Reclaim at no extra cost to you.

Gift Aid Declaration forms and Standing Order Mandates can be found in the Cloister Area.

# NUNTIIUS PAROCHIALIS

Serving the Churches of Holy Ghost, St. Bede and Sacred Heart



## MASS TIMES and SERVICES

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

## Holy Ghost Parish with St. Bede, Basingstoke

INTENTIONS			
Sun 19th	9.00 am	SB	People of the Parish
	11.00 am	SB	Michael Colley RIP (Colley)
	6.30 pm	SB	Int. Rev Mgr Canon Vincent Harvey (Luker)
Mon 20th	12 noon	HG	Joey Estoegas RIP
Tues 21st	9.30 am	SB	Ron West RIP (Flynn)
Wed 22nd	9.30 am	HG	Holy Souls
	5.00 pm	SB	Reception of Mike Redmond RIP into the Church
Thurs 23rd	6.30 am	SB	Int. Betty Lawlor (Byrne)
	11.00 am	SB	Requiem for Mike Redmond RIP
	7.30 pm	HG	Terry O’Reilly RIP
Fri 24th	9.30 am	HG	Int. White Family (White)
	10.00 am	HG	Adoration for an hour
	7.30 pm	HG & SB	Stations of the Cross
Sat 25th	9.30 am	SB	Michael Redmond RIP (Luker)
Sun 26th	9.00 am	SB	People of the Parish
	11.00 am	SB	Antonio D’Souza RIP
	6.30 pm	SB	In Thanksgiving Medalla Family
		SB = St Bede Church	HG = Holy Ghost Church

## Sacred Heart, Hook

Sat	18th Mar	6:00 pm	Private Intention
Sun	19th Mar	10:00 am	People of the Parish
Mon	20th Mar	ST JOSEPH 10:00 am	Thomas Pearce RIP
Tues	21st Mar	10:00 am	Joyce Spendlove RIP
Wed	22nd Mar	10:00 am	Yvonne Rutledge RIP
Thurs	23rd Mar	10:00 am	-
Fri	24th Mar	10:00 am	Sr. Doris RIP
Sat	25th Mar	THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD 10.00 am	Int. Bishop Elect Michael Bibi
Sat	25th Mar	6:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sun	26th Mar	10:00 am	Sr. Clestina RIP

**Confession** Held in the Church, Saturday 9.15-9.45am and 4.30-5.30pm.  
Also by arrangement with Fr. Peter

## Third Sunday of Lent & First Scrutiny

19th March 2017

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## PARISH CONTACTS:

**Parish Priest:**  
Rev. Christopher Rutledge:  
Coordinating Pastor and Dean

**Assistant Priest:** 01256 951134  
Rev. Gerry Onyejuluwa

**Retired Priest in Residence:**  
Rev. Peter Codd

**St. Bede** 01256 465214  
**Parish Administrator:**  
Mrs Liz Murphy  
Office Open: Monday, Wednesday,  
Thursday and Friday, 9 am - 2 pm  
(Tuesday - Admin day)  
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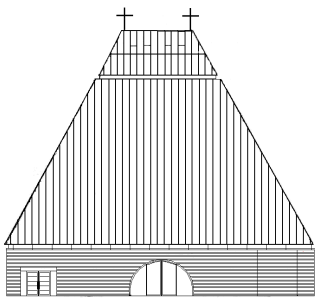
**Sacred Heart** 01256 577007  
**Parish Administrator:**  
Mrs Jan Hughes  
Working at Sacred Heart Church  
Tuesday, 9 am - 2 pm  
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Friday, 9 am - 2 pm  
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**Web Pages**  
[www.stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk](http://www.stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk)  
[www.sacredhearhook.co.uk](http://www.sacredhearhook.co.uk)

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Jan Hughes 07719012955  
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## St. Bede

**Popley Way  
Basingstoke  
RG24 9DX**

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### SCRUTINIES

RCIA Journey in Faith

Helen, Janine and Alan have been meeting with Sr. Mary Anne and Barbara Birt since September, to become Members of the Church at Easter.

This weekend they are introduced to the Parish, and celebrate the First of the Scrutinies.

Please keep them in your prayers as they commence this final stage of their preparation. We look forward to receiving them into the Faith at this years Easter Vigil.

### PROPERTY AND RESOURCES MANAGER

We wish to appoint a Property and Resources Manager to ensure the effective use of all resources in the parish including buildings, services and other facilities.

The role will be to make sure the buildings and their services meet the needs of the parish and other users as efficiently, safely and cost effectively as possible, whilst all the time prioritising the vision of the parish as a welcoming and mission focused Catholic community.

Full time 35 hours per week.

Flexible working is required as there will be some evening and weekend working.

Proposed start date 1 May 2017

Application forms are available on the Diocesan website.

Closing date is 12 noon on 30 March 2017

Interviews during week commencing 3 April 2017

For informal enquiries please contact the Parish Office on 01256 465214. Return Application Forms to:

Fr Christopher Rutledge, St Bede's Church.

### CLEANER

We wish to appoint a cleaner to ensure the effective cleaning of St Bede's and Holy Ghost Churches, halls, rental flats and communal areas.

Part time 12 hours per week.

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### COLLECTIONS

Sunday collection amounted to £3,001.64

CAFOD collection amounted to £1,622.45

Grateful thanks.

### PARISH DIARY:

**Sun: Music:** 9am Choir; 11am Filipino; 6:30pm Cantorg

**Tues:** 1.30-3.15pm, Toddler Group

**Thurs:** RCIA, 7.30 pm Holy Ghost Church Hall, Burgess Road

### TODDLER GROUP

The Toddler Group is on Tuesday, 1:30 pm until 3:15 pm.

### FUNERALS

Requiem for Mike Redmond RIP takes place in St. Bede's Church on Thursday 23rd March. His Body will be received into the Church on Wednesday 22nd at 5 pm.

We remember Mike's family and friends at this sad time. May he Rest in Peace.

### CONFESSIONS

The Clergy will usually be available to hear Confessions every Saturday after the 9.30am Mass.

### UNWANTED CHRISTMAS GIFT SALE

The sale is today after the 9 am and 11 am Masses. All money raised will go to CAFOD.

### REPOSITORY

There are now FHC and Confirmation cards and gifts on sale.

**ADORE** Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March 11.00-4.00

You are welcome to a mini-retreat of spiritual refreshment and renewal. Alton Convent, Anstey Lane, Alton GU34 2NG.

### MASS WITH PRAYER FOR THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING & SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING

25th March at 10.30 am in the Main Hall in Bishop Challoner School. Anyone who is sick or suffering in any way is invited to attend this prayer service with family and friends.

### TEA AND COFFEE

19th March: Jean Murphy, Catherine Denning & Mary Huntley

26th March: Ben McDonnell, Dorothy Gibson

Sunday 26th March after the 11 am Mass, there will be refreshments in the hall and a sale of cakes. If you could donate some home made cakes, that would be wonderful, please bring them on the day. All proceeds are for CAFOD.

### EVERY THURSDAY IN LENT

6.30 am Mass followed by breakfast at St. Bede's Church.

### EVERY FRIDAY IN LENT

7.30 pm Stations of the Cross in both Holy Ghost and St Bede's Churches.

### WHAT IS THE SVP?

The work of the St. Vincent de Paul Society is to seek and find those in our Parishes who are in need. To quietly visit and befriend them and offer support by word and deed. Would you like us to visit YOU? Does this often invisible way of "Loving our Neighbour as ourselves" attract YOU? We sincerely hope so, the need continues and we need new Members. Why not speak to an S.V.P. Member? Leave your name and contact number with the Parish Office, or contact Rex Barham.



## Sacred Heart

**London Road  
Hook  
RG27 9LA**

**01256 577007**

### PARISH DIARY

Sunday 19 March 4pm Stations of the Cross

Thursday 23 March 7:30pm Presentation on The Community of Charles de Foucauld

Friday 24 March 7:30pm Stations of the Cross

Friday 7 April 7am early morning Mass followed by breakfast

Sunday 9 April 2:30pm Pastoral area Lenten Reconciliations

### PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK IN OUR PARISH

Lord, have all those who are unable to be with us at Mass in your safekeeping we remember:

Sister Connie, Mary O'Driscoll, Edna Welton, Patrick Walsh, Helena Allen, Christopher Tyler, Margaret Sauce, Andrew Marsh and Margaret Morrison.

### WEEKLY ROTA

**Saturday 25th March 6pm**

Reader: Joy Drummer

Eucharistic Ministers: Sister, Anne da Silva

**Sunday 26th March 10am**

Readers: Delia Drummond, Sue Tyler

Eucharistic Ministers: Maggie Wood, Michael Rogerson

Children's Liturgy: NO CHILDRENS LITURGY

Counters: Clarence Rodrigues, Jan Ilcisko

Coffee: Sandra Rodrigues

Cleaning: Trish Elgar, Betts Cross

Laundry: Jenny Olsen

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Fr Peter will be available each Saturday afternoon in Church from 4:30 - 5:30pm. He is normally available in the Priest's House from 11:00am - 12:00 noon on Saturdays, if this is more convenient for any Family, please ask at the Priest's House.

### CAFOD DISASTERS EMERGENCY RAFLE

Tickets are being sold after Mass on Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th March. The draw will happen during tea and coffee after Mass.

All money raised will go to the Disasters Emergency Committee, of which CAFOD is a member, to support the emergency responses across South Sudan, Somalia, northern Kenya and Ethiopia. One of saddest things about this truly devastating crisis is that so many of the communities affected have worked tirelessly, for so many years; only to be thwarted by repeatedly failing rains, extreme weathers, and circumstances beyond their control. Yet, their dignity and faith is truly extraordinary.

### COLLECTIONS

Sunday collection amounted to £578.51

Thank you for your continued contributions.

### LENT 2017

During Lent we do not sing or say either the Gloria or the Alleluia, flowers do not decorate the Church and Baptisms are held over until Easter.

### Stations of the Cross

*Every Friday in Lent*

7:30 pm with the Sisters in the Convent

*Every Sunday in Lent*

4:00 pm in the Church, followed by Benediction.

### PASTORAL AREA LENTEN RECONCILIATIONS

Lenten Reconciliations for the whole Pastoral Area will be on Sunday 9th April at 2.30pm in St Bede's Church, Popley Way, Basingstoke. All are welcome.

### THE JOURNEY

During Lent, Our Lady's Church in Fleet will be turning their Church inside out.

They are asking us to join them and walk 'The Journey' After morning Mass on Ash Wednesday, the Way of the Cross will be celebrated outside Our Lady's Church.

And every Wednesday evening during Lent, the Way of the Cross will be prayed by candlelight, and again, this will be held outside by following the Stations of the Cross which will be permanently displayed.

There are some leaflets in the Porch if you would like some more information.

### THE COMMUNITY OF CHARLES de FOUCAULD

is a Community of lay people whose members are called to live the hidden life of Nazareth in the spirit of Bl. Charles de Foucauld. Fr Peter Codd will give a Power Point Presentation depicting the life and teaching of Bl. Charles and give information about the Community of Charles de Foucauld, on Thursday, 23rd March in the Parish Hall at 7.30 pm.

### HART FOODBANK Mothering Sunday

Mothering Sunday can be a difficult time for women facing crisis, especially mums facing hunger who are unable to provide food for their families or afford basic toiletries many of us take for granted.

No mum should feel like they have let their children down because of something outside their control - like illness or an unexpected bill – which has thrown the family into crisis. That's why we give not only emergency food but also compassionate support and hope to our clients. As Mothering Sunday approaches, we are calling for donations of shampoo, sanitary products, nappies, shower gel and toothpaste to help women and children. Help us to give local mums needing help a little something extra this year.



### CONTACT INFORMATION

Fr Peter is our Retired-Priest-In-Residence, please respect this and make your first point of contact as:

Jan Hughes at the Parish Office.  
If urgent call 07719 012955