

WHO CARES?

WHO CARES? is a nationwide initiative where churches are working together to listen to the needs of local people and offer compassion and hope which raises our gaze beyond the present, beyond sorrow, pain and suffering. We don't claim to have all the answers but we represent a community who care and want to listen and respond to the issues that people are facing. It is wonderful when brothers and sisters come together and share each other's burdens and joys. Life is about sharing. Who Cares is an ecumenical movement, and we, as parish family, want to be part of it. Who Cares? as a mission is being launched today in all the churches in the Hampshire, on this day of the Lord we celebrate the outpouring of the gift of the Holy Spirit for our renewal and invigoration, to be able to care for the worries of the sisters and brothers of our community.

As a parish family, over the months of June and July, we want to conduct a one question survey that asks: 'What hurts you the most? Or put another way, 'What is the one thing in life you find hardest to handle?' The above question is in a card paper which we give to parishioners, after Mass today, to take home for themselves, their class/school mates, co-workers, friends, neighbours, believers and nonbelievers and to be returned to us within the month of June. The response to the survey question we expect parishioners to return to us is completely anonymous. The distribution period of the survey question and the gathering of the responses is the listening phase when we listen to the problems of our community, travelling with them in their journey of life and pain.



When we gather the anonymous responses, as a church, we plan strategies on how to respond to the problems identified in the survey questions. The identified problems could be dealt with through workshop or by inviting an expert/specialist to talk to us, at which time; we invite all our friends who will have participated in the survey question. For more enquiries, please contact the parish office.

PARISH SACRAMENT PROGRAMES

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation: 10th June at 11am in the Cathedral.

R.C.I.A.

Next Session: Thur 22 June at 7.30pm in Burgess Road Hall, Holy Ghost.

WORD OF GOD

BIBLE STUDY: 12th June at 7.30 pm,
Our Lady of Providence Convent, Burgess Road .

SIGNIFICANT WEDDINGS 2017

A Significant Wedding Anniversaries Mass will be held here at St. Bede's Church on Saturday 24th June at 11 am.

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

If you would like to come, please contact Liz Murphy in the Parish Office.

Tel. No. 01256 465214

Email: anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk



CALLED AND GIFTED

Called and Gifted is a process that helps you understand your own calling and identify the specific charisms that the Lord has given you to share with others.

"A charism is more than a talent or personal quality. It is a grace, a gift that God gives through the Holy Spirit. Not because someone is better than others but rather so that he puts it at the service of others with the same gratitude and love with which he has received it" (Pope Francis).

"Called and Gifted is about you as a person and your own relationship with Jesus. He has called you personally to be His disciple, and He has given you certain gifts to service Him in your life." (Bishop Philip)

The Called and Gifted process will be happening in our Parishes from 11th November. More about this as we get closer.

THE MESSENGER

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

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PENTECOST SUNDAY

4th June 2017

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Thought for the Week

Today, Pentecost Sunday, is called by many the birthday of the Church. Not only does the Lord imbue His followers and Apostles with the Holy Spirit, but He sends them out into the world to accomplish and further His mission.

There are strong connections to the concept of stewardship throughout the readings on this day, including the statement by St. Paul in his letter to the Corinthians, "To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit." That is a prompt to us that we are gifted in different ways, but we are to be willing to use those gifts to assist and support the Church and others.

Nevertheless, in the First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles is also a reminder to us about living a stewardship way of life. They are celebrating Pentecost, 50 days after Passover (which, for us, is Easter). Passover (as reported in the Book of Numbers in the Old Testament) was a time when the first sheaf reaped from the barley harvest was presented to God; however, at Pentecost the first fruits of the wheat harvest were given to God..

This concept of giving the first fruits to God is at the heart of stewardship. How do we share the bounty that has been given us? The people of Jesus' time were deeply conscious of all their gifts, including the gifts of the earth. Everything we have comes from God. This is a day to contemplate that and to respond to it.

Taken from *The Catholic Stewardship.com*



MASS TIMES and SERVICES

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

St. Bede's Church

Sun 4th	9.00 am	Yvonne Rutledge RIP
	11.00 am	Antonio D'Souza RIP (Azavedo)
	12.30 pm	Baptisms
	6.30 pm	Tony Keenan RIP
Tues 6th	9.30 am	Elizabeth Murray RIP & Amion Lundy RIP (Fleming)
Sat 10th	9.30 am	Int. of Yvonne de Souza
Sun 11th		<i>THE MOST HOLY TRINITY</i>
	9.00 am	People of the Parish
	11.00 am	Alda D'Souza RIP (Azaredo)
	6.30 pm	Ralph Luker RIP (Murphy)

Holy Ghost Church

Mon 5th	12.00noon	Anthony Keane RIP (Keane)
Wed 7th	9.30 am	Gina Di Caro RIP (Iacona)
Thurs 8th	10.00 am	Requiem Martin O'Neill RIP
Fri 9th	9.30 am	Int. Knights of St. Columba (KSC)
Sat 10th	3.00 pm	Syro Malabar FHC Mass

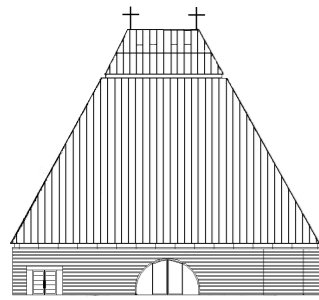
Sacred Heart

Sat 3rd	6:00 pm	In Celebration Graham & Jill Blackburn
Sun 4th	10:00 am	People of the Parish
Mon 5th	10:00 am	Father Hermann Mizzi
Tues 6th	10:00 am	Mass -
Wed 7th	10:00am	Mass -
Thurs 8th	10:00 am	Mass -
Fri 9th	10:00 am	Mass -
Sat 10th	10.00 am	Blessings on the Cini Family

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Sat 11th	6:00 pm	Margaret Hughes RIP
Sun 12th	10:00 am	In Celebration Graham & Jill Blackburn

Before Mass: Pray to God: **During Mass:** Listen to God
After Mass: Talk to everyone



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 After Mass on Saturday mornings

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PARISH DIARY:

Sun: Music: 9am Choir; 11am Popley; 6:30pm Guitar
Tues: Toddler Group; 1.30pm - 3.15pm

FUNERAL

Requiem for Martin O'Neill RIP on Thursday 8th June at 10.00 am in Holy Ghost Church.
 Requiem for Richard Moroney RIP on Monday 26th June at 11.00 am in Holy Ghost Church
 May they rest in Peace.
 We remember the friends and families of those who have died.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation takes place in St. John's Cathedral on Saturday 10th June at 11 am.
 We thank all the Catechists, especially Veronika Budynski-Seymour for guiding our Candidates through this process during the last year.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please keep in your prayers our First Holy Communion Children, who received the Eucharist for the first time this weekend. Thank you to all the Catechists, who have given up so much of their time to help prepare our children for these special days.



POLISH MASS

Msza Swieta po polsku odbędzie się dnia 17.06.2017 o godz. 18:00 w kościele Holy Ghost Church.

BAPTISMS

Congratulations to Chloe Bellet, Charmaine Perera, Henrietta Druce, Luigi Dipinseri, Cameron Holden & Maddison Jessie Payne who will be Baptised today.

CANAL BOAT TRIP - KSC

The Knights of St. Columba have organised a Canal Boat trip especially for Parishioners of St. Bede's and St Joseph's on Saturday 22 July from 2.00 pm. Boat leaves from Odiham Wharf at 2.30 pm and the trip lasts just over 2 hours. Please come and join the Basingstoke Knights for a pleasant and relaxing afternoon on the canal. Cream tea will be served on board. Cost £10.00 pp. Max 50 places. To book your place please contact Alfredo Lavorgna 01256 321496 or Dave McKenna 07931 564064.

GENERAL ELECTION—OUR COMMON FUTURE

As Catholics, Pope Francis reminds us that we have a shared responsibility for others and the world, and calls us to join a new dialogue about the future. This election must look to the kind of society we wish to create for ourselves and to pass on to our children. It's also about the world we want to see for our brothers and sisters worldwide, especially those who are poorest and most vulnerable.

RCIA—JOURNEY IN FAITH

If you are interested in becoming a Catholic or learning more about the Catholic Faith or are you a Baptised Catholic wanting to be Confirmed? Our Parish Journey in Faith will be starting on Thursday 22nd June in Burgess Road Hall. For more information please contact the Parish Office.

BASINGSTOKE CATENIANS

Pat Murphy is this year's president of the Basingstoke Catenians Circle, a group of active practicing Catholic men who provide a network of help and support to members and their families. The Circle get together every month for a meeting, followed by a supper at the Wheatsheaf Inn, North Waltham. If you would like to know more about the Catenians, please contact Leo Mulkerns on 07802 718367.

CAR PARKING AT HOLY GHOST CHURCH

There are only 5 parking spaces available for Church use at Holy Ghost. The other spaces are for the Residents ONLY. PLEASE DO NOT PARK in the Residents parking places, and ensure that the Residents are able to leave and access their property at all times—even during Mass and other services. Once the 5 spaces are full, please find alternative parking off site. Thank you.

SCHOOLS ADMISSIONS

Please remember that the Mass Attendance Card can only be signed if your child has attended Mass.

COLLECTIONS

Sunday collection amounted to £2,594.34 and World Communications £295.66, grateful thanks.



Sacred Heart

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

Retired Priest in Residence: Rev. Peter Codd

Parish Administrator: Mrs Jan Hughes
 Tuesday 9 am - 2 pm (at Sacred Heart)
 Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday am (on 01256 577007)
Email: hook@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
Website: www.sacredhearhook.co.uk

Safeguarding
 Maggie Wood c/o Parish Office

Confessions
 Saturday 9.15 - 9.45am and 4.30 - 5.30pm.
 Also by arrangement with Fr. Peter

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 as we remember:
 Sister Connie, George Smith, Mary O'Driscoll, Edna Welton, Patrick Walsh, Helena Allen, Margaret Sauce, Andrew Marsh and Margaret Morrison.

REST IN PEACE

Please remember in your prayers the family and friends of Yvonne Knight, who died last week, her funeral will be on Tuesday 12th June at 12:45pm in Sacred Heart
May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen



WEEKLY ROTA

Saturday 10th June 6pm
 Reader: Virgilius Vickers
 Eucharistic Ministers: Sister, Pat Olohan

Sunday 11th June 10am
 Readers: Chris and Amanda Aldous
 Eucharistic Ministers: Jill Blackburn, Juliet Henderson
 Children's Liturgy: Guill Byrne, Julie
 Counters: Ian Liddell, Richard Coleman
 Coffee: Joseph & Claire
 Cleaning: Hannah Goddard
 Laundry: Claire Burroughs

COLLECTIONS

Sunday collection amounted to £649.59 and World Communications £89.48. Thank you

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2017

This year's First Holy Communion Mass will this Sunday. To make your First Holy Communion is a special moment in any Catholic's life, so let us pray for the children that by receiving the Body & Blood of Christ they may feel close to the Lord Jesus and find new meaning in getting to know Him.
 An enormous thank you to Maggie Wood and Emrys Hughes who have given so much of their time to help our children prepare for this special day.

BAPTISM

Welcome to the family of God Lucian Fung who was Baptised here in Sacred Heart on Sunday 28th May 2017

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

On Sunday 18th June at 3pm, The Feast of Corpus Christi, we hope that you will join us in a traditional Corpus Christi procession, within the Church and Convent grounds.



This is an exciting opportunity for the children of the Parish to lead the procession and scatter flower petals in honour of the Blessed Sacrament.

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.

ADORE (Alton Day Of Renewal) Saturday 24th June 11.00 - 4.00

You are warmly welcome to a mini-retreat day (or morning/afternoon) of spiritual refreshment and renewal, focussing on the Charisms or gifts of the Holy Spirit. Please note new venue: at Alton Convent, Anstey Lane, Alton GU34 2NG. 11.00am Rosary; 11.30am Mass; 12.15 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; 1.00pm Shared lunch; 2.00pm Praise & Worship; 2.30 Talk "The Gift of Knowledge" by Deacon John Edwards 3.30 Prayer for healing. We end about 4pm. There is no need to register in advance, and no charge (though a collection will be taken to cover costs).
 For more information and directions, see poster or website: www.altonrenewal.com
 Or telephone Deacon John Foley on 07769 251747.
 The following month, on Saturday 22nd July, our guest speakers will be Pauline Edwards and Fr Laurence Brassill OSA talking about the Gifts of Healings.

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