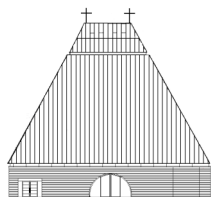


THE MESSENGER

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Holy Ghost & St. Bede's Churches

Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time A—Psalter Week III - 10th September

If he listens to you, you have won back your brother.

Sun 10th	9.00 am	SB	Brenda Eakins RIP (Scorey)
	11.00 am	SB	Neil O'Boyle RIP (Ford)
	6.30 pm	SB	People of the Parish
Mon 11th	12 noon	HG	Yvonne Rutledge RIP
Tues 12th	9.30 am	SB	Alan Coppen RIP (Patrick)
Wed 13th	9.30 am	SB	Roy & Simon Goodier RIP (Fond)
Thur 14th	9.30 am	SB	Gerard Murray RIP (Fleming)
			Adoration between 8—9 am in St. Bede's Church
Fri 15th	9.30 am	HG	Int. of Parish Staff
			Adoration after Mass at Holy Ghost Church
Sat 16th	9.30 am	SB	Martin Coxhead RIP (Hughes)
			Confessions after 9.30 am Mass till 10.45 am
	1.00pm	HG	Wedding; Camilleri & Rolf

Twenty Four Sunday in Ordinary Time A—Psalter Week IV - 17th September

I do not tell you to forgive seven times, but seventy-seven times.

Sun 17th	9.00 am	SB	Kevin Stevens RIP (Stevens)
	11.00 am	SB	People of the Parish
	6.30 pm	SB	Dec. Mbrs Broadbent Family (Ford)
Mon 18th	12 noon	HG	Int Jo Burnand
Tues 19th	9.30 am	SB	Carlos Stefano RIP
Wed 20th	9.30 am	HG	Mary & Barney Mulligan RIP
Thur 21st	9.30 am	SB	Lawrence Williams RIP (Murphy)
			Adoration between 8—9 am in St. Bede's Church
Fri 22nd	9.30 am	HG	John 'Rusty' Wilson RIP
			Adoration after Mass at Holy Ghost Church
Sat 23rd	9.30 am	SB	Tommy Curran RIP (Keane)
			Confessions after 9.30 am Mass till 10.45 pm

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time A—Psalter Week I - 24th September

Why be envious because I am generous?

Sun 24th	9.00 am	SB	People of the Parish
	11.00 am	SB	Antonio & Venera Grasso RIP (Grasso)
	3.00 pm	HG	Syro Malabar Mass
	6.30 pm	SB	Maria Manuela & Fernando Vale Costa RIP
Mon 25th	12 noon	HG	Alice McCreech RIP (Rose)
Tues 26th	9.30 am	SB	Ann Murray RIP (Rose)
Wed 27th	9.30 am	HG	Int. Pat Roache (Roache)
Thur 28th	9.30 am	SB	Michel & Pino Colella RIP (Colella)
			Adoration between 8—9 am in St. Bede's Church
Fri 29th	9.30 am	HG	Kate Raymund RIP (Fond)
			Adoration after Mass at Holy Ghost Church
Sat 30th	9.30 am	SB	Letty Murphy (Lloyd)
			Confessions after 9.30 am Mass till 10.45 pm

Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time A—Psalter Week II - 1st October

He thought better of it and went.

Sun 1st	9.00 am	SB	Joseph Chandy RIP (Jose)
	11.00 am	SB	Fay and Michael Redmond RIP (Butler)
	6.30 pm	SB	People of the Parish



Before Mass:
pray to God

During Mass:
listen to God

After Mass:
talk to everyone

WEEKLY ADORATION IN ST. BEDE'S CHURCH.

There will be weekly Adoration on Thursdays, starting Thursday 14th September between 8 am to 9 am. We are hoping that parents will bring their children in on the way to school. We don't expect there to be total silence, but as quiet as possible.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS TRAINING DAY

There will be training for those people who have been invited to be Eucharistic Ministers on Saturday 23rd September at 11.30 am.

Eucharistic Ministers Retreat Day/Douai Abbey

Saturday 7th October 2017 from 10am - 4pm lunch will be provided. If any of our Eucharist Ministry Team are interested and either want to know more or to book a place, please call the Parish Office on 465214 or email: stbedes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

HOLIDAYS OF OBLIGATION

With effect from the **1st Sunday of Advent 2017**, two Holydays of Obligation are being reinstated. This decision was made by the Bishops of England and Wales, and has been confirmed by the Holy See. The days are:

- The Epiphany of the Lord — 6 January
- The Ascension of the Lord — Thursday after 6th Sunday of Easter

The Holydays of Obligation for England and Wales are therefore:

- Every Sunday
- Nativity of the Lord (25 December)
- Epiphany of the Lord (6 January*)
- Ascension of the Lord (Thursday after 6th Sunday of Easter)
- St Peter & St Paul (29 June*)
- Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (15 August*)
- All Saints (1 November*)

According to a decision of the Bishops' Conference (1984) Holydays which fall on Saturday or Monday are transferred to the Sunday.

The Bishops decided to retain the decision made in 2006 for Corpus Christi to be transferred to Sunday as it allowed for Eucharistic Processions and other devotional practices to be celebrated.

PARISH DIARY:

Sun 10th Music: 9am; Choir; 11am Filipino; 6.30pm Piano Refreshments after the 9 am Mass.

Sun 17th Music: 9am: Choir; 11am Cantorg; 6.30pm; Cantorg

Refreshments after the 9 am Mass.

Tues: Toddler Group 1.30 pm —3.15 pm

Tues: Repository open 9.00 am—3.15 pm

BAPTISMS

Congratulations to Brayden Phillip Swan, Brianna Holly Swan, Kuba Walenty Wojtaszek & Elsie-Mae Kathleen Poppy Warren who will be baptised today.

BASINGSTOKE FOODBANK

The Basingstoke Foodbank needs: Milk & Fruit Juices (both long life) and dried milk, breakfast cereals (cold) tinned tomatoes, cooking sauce jars, sweet and savoury spreads, tinned fruit, roll on deodorants, shampoo, tooth brushes, desserts (long life) or packet.

They have sufficient; baked beans, soup, fish, tea, pasta, pulses, sugar and nappies.

SEPTEMBER—MONTH OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS

On 15th September, the Church honours Our Lady of Sorrows, recalling Simeon's prophecy, when Mary & Joseph presented the Child Jesus in the Temple forty days after His birth: "A sword will pierce your own soul too" (Luke 2: 35). That prophecy was fulfilled when Our Lady stood at the foot of the Cross, sharing in Jesus's sufferings. During this month of September, then, we honour Mary under the title "Our Lady of Sorrows".

CARDINAL CORMAC MURPHY O'CONNOR, R.I.P.

We were saddened to receive the news last Friday of the death of Cardinal Cormac Murphy O'Connor. May he rest in peace. As a dear son and Priest of our Diocese of Portsmouth, he was well known to us over the years and our Diocese thus suffers a particularly personal loss.

COLLECTIONS

Sunday collection amounted to £2589.42. grateful thanks And the special collection for the SVP collected £491.27p. Second collection for Home Mission Sunday on Sunday 17th Sept.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

St. Paul echoes Christ in many ways. In the 13th Chapter from his letter to the Romans, he continues with his thoughts on how we should live to please God, and he uses a sentence which Christ often repeated. After listing several of the 10 Commandments, Paul states, "...whatever other commandments there may be, are summed up in this saying, namely, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself'."

There is always much that gets debated in that admonition, such as loving yourself, and who exactly is your neighbour? Paul's point, like that of Jesus, is simply that we are called to treat others as we may like to be treated. We need to show them the respect and caring that we may hope for and wish for. God loves us, and if we realize that, we may ultimately come to the conclusion that we are loveable.

Most of us know someone whose love is evident by how they treat others and how they live. Loving neighbour is a visible expression of everything that Jesus taught. It is a way of expressing the depth of our faith and our belief that we are Disciples of Christ.

St. Francis de Sales captured all about what this love is and who is your neighbour when he wrote, "Examine your heart often to see if it is such toward your neighbour as you would like his or hers to be toward you in his or her place. This is the touchstone of true reason." It is relatively basic and simple — our neighbour is everyone with whom we have contact and love is what makes it all work.

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