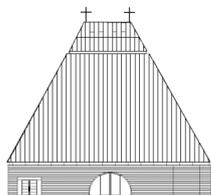


# THE MESSENGER

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

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**Before Mass:**  
pray to God

**During Mass:**  
listen to God

**After Mass:**  
talk to everyone

## Holy Ghost & St. Bede's Churches

### Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Psalter Week 11—1st October

*He thought better of it and went.*

### Thought for the Week

To truly live that way requires a dramatic conversion. All of us know people who are so self-centered that they often are not even aware that they are totally unwilling to compromise or to even recognize the value of those around them. Achieving this kind of self awareness, of what kind of a person we are, is a significant step on our faith and life journeys.

Screenwriter and playwright William Nicholson once wrote, "God does not necessarily want us to be happy. He wants us to be lovable, worthy of love, able to be loved by Him. What makes people hard to love? It is called selfishness. Selfish people are hard to love, because so little love comes out of them."

That is our challenge, to love others in such a way that we become lovable as well. Christ told us over and over that the secret to being His disciple and the secret to being a good steward is to "Love your neighbour." That is how to be the kind of person Paul calls us to be as well.

*Taken from the Catholic Stewardship.com*

### Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time A—Psalter Week II

Sun 1st	9.00 am	SB	Joseph Chandy RIP (Jose)
	11.00 am	SB	Fay & Michael Redmond RIP (Butler)
	6.30 pm	SB	People of the Parish
Mon 2nd	12 noon	HG	Int. Kate Webb
Tues 3rd	9.30 am	SB	Margaret Byrne RIP (Reddaway)
	11.00 am	SB	Requiem Davi-Jayce Angafor RIP
Wed 4th	9.30 am	HG	Giorgina Balbi RIP (Marchesini)
Thur 5th	9.30 am	SB	Mary & Harold Vickers RIP (Fond)
	Adoration between 8—9 am in St. Bede's Church		
Fri 6th	9.30 am	HG	Int. Mary Hickey (Rose)
	Adoration after Mass at Holy Ghost Church		
Sat 7th	9.30 am	SB	In thanksgiving Lou Aira
	Confessions after 9.30 am Mass till 10.45 am		

### Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time A—Psalter Week IV - 8th October

*He will lease the vineyard to other tenants*

Sun 8th	9.00 am	SB	Aleyamma Philip RIP (Sherly)
	11.00 am	SB	Jessica McCully & Terry Sullivan RIP (Enright)
	6.30 pm	SB	People of the Parish

## WEEKLY ADORATION IN ST. BEDE'S CHURCH

There will be weekly Adoration on Thursdays, 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.

## CALLED AND GIFTED AT ST BEDE'S

Save the date – Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November 9am – 5pm - Called and Gifted starts at St Bede's.

### WHAT IS CALLED AND GIFTED?

#### A diagram of the Called and Gifted process

God is calling you to a unique purpose in life, a work of love that only you can do. You have received gifts in Baptism and Confirmation through which God intends His love to reach others. The Called and Gifted process is an opportunity to start to recognise your charisms (spiritual gifts) and begin to discern God's call. Come and discover these charisms. Called and Gifted has three stages.

The **first stage** is a teaching day. It explains the Church's teaching on the role of the laity and the Parish in the mission of the Church to the world. It discusses the critical role of charisms in our life and service of others, and the signs and characteristics of 23 common charisms. This usually takes place on a Saturday, between about 9am and 4.30pm in a Parish.

The **second stage** is a private discernment Conversation with a trained member of the team, which will help you recognise patterns in your life that might indicate the presence of a charism.

The **third stage** is meeting three times in a small discernment group, following a process to look in detail at using one charism in your everyday life. Usually there about 5 people in the group. All Parishioners will then meet together at the end, with their Parish Priest and perhaps members of a Parish Council or Evangelisation Strategy Team, to share experiences and confirmed charisms, and look at how the community can support each person in using their charisms in their everyday life as well as for the mission of the Church.

## CALLED & GIFTED PRAYER

*Loving Father, pour out Your Spirit on us  
And on our called and gifted process.*

*Guide us to know how You are  
Calling us personally*

*To be channels of Your love and  
Provision to others.*

*Grant us a new vision of Your glory,  
A new experience of Your power,  
A new faithfulness to Your word*

*And a new consecration to Your service.*

*That those we meet may*

*Encounter our Risen Lord, Jesus.*

*In whose name we humbly make this prayer.*

*Amen*

## PARISH DIARY:

**Sun 1st Oct Music:** 9 am Choir; 11 am Cantorg: 6.30 pm: Priest Led

Red Boxes collection after all Masses today

**Children's Liturgy** at the 9 am and 11 am Masses

**Tues:** Toddler Group 1.30—3.15 pm

**Wed:** FHC Catechists meeting 7.30—8.30 pm SB

**Thurs:** Choir practice: 7.30 pm at SB

## BAPTISM

Congratulations to Orla Rose Johnson, who will be baptised today.

## FUNERAL SERVICES

Requiem on Tuesday 3rd October at St. Bede's Church for Davi-Jayce Angafor RIP.

Requiem on Monday 16th October at St. Bede's Church for Carmel Hyland RIP. We remember their families and friends at this sad time. May They Rest in Peace.

## FHC

We cannot accept any more Candidates for the First Holy Communion Programme for 2018. We are fully oversubscribed. Please do not approach the Parish Office with a plea to join.

## BAAC

On Sunday 8th October will be Black African History Sunday. The 11 am Mass will be a very lively celebration of the Mass.

## ST. BEDE'S KNEELER GROUP

St. Bede's Kneeler Group would like to say a big thank you to our wonderfully generous congregation for their support enabling us to raising a total of £255.00. Congratulations to Mrs. J. Knowles who won first prize. Please see the Notice-board in the Cloister Area for other winners.

## PARISH MASS COUNT

Throughout the Sundays of October, we are obliged by the Bishop to count the number of people coming to Mass. Such information is useful in Diocesan planning and also to prove to others that Catholics do still come to Mass.

## HARVEST FAST DAY

Harvest Fast Day is on Friday 6th October. Please help raise money for some of the worlds poorest people. CAFOD is always grateful for your support and because of your generosity and prayers they are able to help change the lives of thousands of people worldwide. There will be a second collection on Sunday 8th October for CAFOD.

## BASINGSTOKE FOOD BANK

The Foodbank are appealing for extra volunteers to help between now and mid November. Please contact Pat Murphy on Tel. No. 07785312486 or email: pfm1906@aol.com

## COLLECTIONS

Sunday collection amounted to £2,327.98p. grateful thanks second collection for the upkeep of our Cathedral in Portsmouth amounted to £427.34p. Second collection for CAFOD takes place next Sunday 8th October.