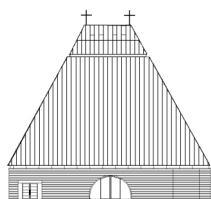


THE MESSENGER

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

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Holy Ghost & St. Bede's Churches Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Psalter Week 1V—15th October

MESSAGE FROM BISHOP PHILIP

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Jesus Christ

It is with sadness and concern that I bring to your attention the deteriorating socio-political situation in Cameroon, particularly in the regions covered by our Sister Diocese of Bamenda. Our two dioceses have been intimately linked for over forty years and, as you know, we currently have three priests from Bamenda serving in our parishes. The disturbances in Cameroon have complex origins in the relationship between the French and English speaking provinces and in the recent imposition of controls by the political authorities. Most schools in Bamenda have been closed since last November. Peaceful demonstrations have led to arrests, torture and the killing of citizens by the military. It is instructive to read the statement from the Cameroon Bishops about the tensions in this week's Diocesan Enews.

At this time, I ask your prayers for peace, reconciliation and a just outcome. I have written to Archbishop Cornelius to express the prayers, solidarity and support of the clergy and faithful of our Diocese of Portsmouth. I invite you all to offer the Rosary this week for the intentions of Bamenda. Please also consider writing to your MP to ask our government leaders here in Britain to do all they can to assist the situation and to bring about peace and justice. With my prayers and best wishes,

In Corde Iesu,

+Philip



Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time A—Psalter Week IV

Sun 15th	9.00 am	SB	People of the Parish
	11.00 am	SB	Arnold Azavedo RIP (Azavedo)
	6.30 pm	SB	John Reilly RIP
Mon 16th	12.30 pm	SB	Requiem Carmel Hyland RIP
Tues 17th	9.30 am	SB	Walter Brazier RIP (Reddaway)
Wed 18th	9.30 am	HG	In thanksgiving Mnemosyne Anna Thea
Thur 19th	Adoration between 8—9 am in St. Bede's Church		
	9.30 am	SB	Josephine Colella RIP (Colella)
	12 noon	SB	Requiem George Wildash RIP
Fri 20th	9.30 am	SB	Ints. St. Bede's School Staff and Pupils
	Adoration after Mass at St Bede's Church		
Sat 21st	9.30 am	SB	Hannah Katrina Yabut RIP (Yabut)
	Confessions after 9.30 am Mass till 10.45 am		

Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time A—Psalter Week V - 22nd October

Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar—and to God what belongs to God

Sun 22nd	9.00 am	SB	Private Intention
	11.00 am	SB	People of the Parish
	3.00 pm	HG	Syro Malabar Mass



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, 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.

POLISH MASS

At Holy Ghost Church on Saturday 21st October at 6 pm.

CONFIRMATION

As already stated, our Confirmation Programme should start in September 2018.

KNEELER GROUP

The Kneeler Group Session on Saturday 21st October has been cancelled.

MERRYFIELD CONVENT RESIDENTIAL CARE HOME

The Dominican Sisters of Malta have been providing quality care and comfort to the elderly at Maryfield for over 50 years. Mass is celebrated daily in the Convent Chapel. We are small, eighteen single rooms and presently have a vacancy. Fees competitive. To arrange a visit or if you would like further information, please ring: Tel. No. 01256 762394 to speak to Trish Davies.

KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBA 'Lucky Me Winner'

Congratulations to Ann Crawley from Basingstoke who won £25.

PARISH MASS COUNT

Throughout the Sundays of October.

CALLED AND GIFTED AT ST BEDE'S

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

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

BLESSINGS OF GRAVES

In Worting Road Cemetery at 2.30 pm on Sunday 12th November

PARISH DIARY:

Sun 15th Oct Music: 9 am Choir; 11 am Popley: 6.30 pm: Piano

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

Tues: Toddler Group 1.30—3.15 pm

Thurs: Choir practice: 7.30 pm at SB

FUNERAL SERVICE

Requiem on Monday 16th October at 12.30 pm in St. Bede's Church for Carmel Hyland RIP.

Requiem for George Wildash RIP on

Thursday 19th October at 12 noon in St. Bede's Church.

May They Rest in Peace.



HOSPITAL VOLUNTEER CHAPLAINCY

If you wish to receive Holy Communion whilst in Hospital, please contact Liz Murphy in the Parish Office. The Hospital Volunteer Chaplains visit the hospital on a Wednesday to give Holy Communion to those who request it.

This is an opportune moment, to thank very sincerely on behalf of the Parish. Alison Luker, Jackie Kinge, Brian Morris, Tom Mullally, Rex Barnham and Ed McNulty, who attend the Hospital on a rota system throughout the year. They are a very dedicated group of people, and we are extremely grateful to them.

CLOISTER AREA

The Cloister Area has been designed so that parents/guardians who attend Mass with their children are able to pacify them if necessary in the Cloister Area. We have two screens in the Cloister Area on which you can follow the Mass, so still be part of the Congregation. However, the Cloister Area is now being used as a "telephone hotspot", where Parents are now spending the entire Mass in conversation on their phones, allowing children to run "wildly" up and down the Cloister unsupervised. It also has become a "social gathering" place for parents, who talk constantly throughout Mass. People in the Cloister Area and trying to Pray the Mass. Please be respectful of others and God's house.

NIGHT SHELTER

The Night Light Winter Shelter, offering friendship, a hot meal and shelter to the homeless rough sleepers in the coldest 3 months of the year is starting again in Basingstoke on 1st December. The Catholic community have been asked if they would like to manage and provide all the staffing for the Thursday night shelter at the URC at the top of town. Could you help the underprivileged, by volunteering to get involved this year. If you want to know more, there will be briefing session at St Bede's Church Hall at 7.30pm on Tuesday 17th October. If anyone would like more Information, in the meantime, please contact Pat Murphy 07785 312486 or pfm1906@aol.com

COLLECTIONS

Sunday collection amounted to £2,762.07p grateful thanks.

Second collection for CAFOD amounted to £1,274.86p.

Next Sunday is World Mission Day, there will be a second collection for the Foreign Missions.