

# THE MESSENGER

Serving the Churches of Holy Ghost and St. Bede

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## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Year B

Psalter Week II

Sunday 8th July

Thought for the Week

Jesus encountered opposition and unpopularity in His own Country. We see in today's Gospel that the people in His home town of Nazareth would not accept Him, and that their lack of faith prevented Him from performing any great miracle there. He remarked, "A Prophet is only despised in his own Country, among his own relations and in his own house". According to Luke's Gospel the people of His home town were so enraged with Him and His teaching that they tried to throw him over a cliff, but He faced them down and escaped. On the other hand, Jesus sometimes found great faith among people who were not of His own Country or race or religion, such as the Samaritan Leper whom He cured, or the Roman Centurion of whom He said, "I tell you solemnly, nowhere in Israel have I found faith like this"; or again, the Canaanite Woman whose daughter He healed, telling her, "Woman, you have great Faith".

The Apostles, when they began to preach after Jesus' Resurrection and the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, were to find that the Gentiles responded far more readily to the message of the Gospel than did the people of Jesus' - and their—own race. Paul and Barnabas were moved by exasperation to say to the Jewish people of Antioch in Pisidia, "We had to proclaim the World of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourself worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans".

*'The Living Word' - Redemptorist Publications*

### Sunday 8th July **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Year B

Psalter Week II

Sun 8th	9.00 am	SB	Jim Fagan RIP
	11.00 am	SB	People of the Parish
	6.30 pm	SB	Harry Antoniades RIP

### Mon 9th **MEMORIAL ST AUGUSTINE ZHAO RONG & COMPANIONS**

12 noon HG Ralph Kay RIP

Tues 10th No Mass

### Wed 11th **FEAST OF ST BENEDICT**

9.30 am HG Giovanni Grasso RIP

Thurs 12th 9.30 am SB Kitty, Bill Lloyd RIP

Fri 13th 9.30 am HG Marketa Placa RIP

Adoration 10—11 am

Sat 14th 2.00 pm SB Syro Malabar Mass

### Sunday 15th July **FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Year B

Psalter Week III

9.00 am SB Dec. Mbrs Liddell Family

11.00 am SB Domenico Marchese RIP

6.30 pm SB People of the Parish

## NEW LEADERSHIP TEAM

From September I shall be the only Priest in the Parish, and we need to review the way the Parish is run. Our former Pastoral Council has run its course and in line with the Bishop's vision, I wish to establish a New Leadership Team, (NLT). I want to utilise the Charisms of those who attended the Called and Gifted Group Program to coordinate the different aspects of Parish Life. More information to follow.

## SIGNIFICANT WEDDINGS

### THANK YOU

Enormous thanks to those who were involved with our 9th Significant Wedding Anniversary Mass here at St Bede's Church with the Bishop.

There are so many people to 'thank'. I am so reluctant to name anyone one particular person, it was a typical St Bede's Team effort, displaying our hospitality at the highest level. (In no particular order)

To the Altar Servers, Sacristan.

St Bede's choir for all their preparation and providing us with a wonderful Singing.

To the behind the scenes Volunteers who helped with the invitations, the certificates, the many trips to the various Supermarkets and planning sessions

To the Flower Ladies, for spectacular displays of beautiful arrangements

To the Toddler Group for their beautiful window display

To the Knights of St Columba for manning the car parks

To the 'welcomers' and 'ushers', who guided guests to their seats

To those who helped 'set up' and decorate the Church, Cloister and Hall

To the Lords Flock for helping with the First Aid

To our Photographer Dominic Garcia

To our wonderful 'St. Bede's' Hospitality Group, who helped with serving tea, coffee, wine and serving the buffet to our guests *Quite a task, receiving, welcoming, serving tea, coffee, wine, buffet lunch to over 500 people !!!!*

The Cleaning team, who cleaned the Church and complex to an inch of its life. To the team who helped with the clearing up, and preparing the Church for the Sunday Masses....



Congratulations to

Audrey & Dan Campbell

60 years

Pauline & Lionel Adams

60 years

Margaret & Thomas Merriam

50 years

Hannah & Frank Monaghan

45 years

Frances & Christopher Oatham

25 years

## PLANT SALE

There will be a Plant Sale after all Masses on Sunday 15th July in aid of St. Michael's Hospice. Please support.

## 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.

Next RCIA meeting will take place in Holy Ghost Church Hall on Thursday 12th July at 7.30 pm.

## PARISH DIARY:

### Sun 8th July

Music: 9.00 am Choir: 11.00 am : Cantorg:

6.30 pm: Piano

Refreshments after the 9 am

Mon: KSC 7.30 pm

Tues: Toddlers 1.30—3.15 pm SB

Wed: Choir 7.30 pm SB

Thurs: Church cleaning after 9.30 am Mass

## TODAY IS SEA SUNDAY

Apostleship of the Sea (AoS) is the official Maritime Welfare Agency of the Catholic Church in Great Britain. The AoS reaches out to Seafarers that visit our Ports each year, offering Pastoral and practical support and care. AoS is wholly dependent on voluntary donations to continue to work. It takes the love of Christ to Seafarers in the name of the Church, recognising them as our brothers and sisters in need. Please remember Seafarers in your prayers.



Stella Maris

## BAPTISMS

Congratulations to Ivy and Erin Bell, Alexander Johnathan Hector Saunders Greig-Bartram and Tulisa Marie Butler who were Baptised last weekend.

## WINTER SHELTERS: SAVE THE DATE FOR TRAINING

The team organising the Winter Shelters, have arranged training for everyone who would like to help in the Winter Shelters, which will start again on 1st December

If you would like to help in the Shelters, you must undergo training, at one of the sessions below:

Refresher training: Saturday morning 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept or Tuesday evening 9<sup>th</sup> Oct

New volunteers: Saturday morning 29<sup>th</sup> Sept or Tuesday evening 16<sup>th</sup> Oct

## VACANCIES AT MERRYFIELD CONVENT CATHOLIC RESIDENTIAL CARE

Maryfield Convent Catholic Residential Care Home in Hook, provides care and comfort to members of all religious denominations. The Sisters and Staff provide continuous, quality care, twenty four hours a day, seven days a week. They currently have vacancies. If you would like to arrange a visit, or require further information, please call: 01256 762394 and speak to Trish Davies.

## ST. MARY'S OLD BASING FLOWER FESTIVAL

St. Bede's Flower Team have taken part in this Festival, why not pop along to St. Mary's, Old Basing on Sunday to see the wonderful flowers from Neighbouring Churches.

## COLLECTION

Collection amounted to £2,740.63p. Grateful thanks.

Second collection this weekend for the Apostleship of the Sea.

There will be a retiring collection for Fr. Gerry next Sunday 15th July. Fr. Gerry will be leaving us at the end of August to take us a new post in Totton & Lyndhurst.