

# THE MESSENGER

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## EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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**Sun 3rd March** 9.00 am SB Margaret McNamara RIP  
11.00 am SB John & Emily Liddell RIP  
6.30 pm SB People of the Parish

Mon 4th 12 noon HG Emily Liddell RIP

Tues 5th 9.15 am *Mass at St. Joseph's Church*

**Wed 6th** **ASH WEDNESDAY**—Page 149

9.30 am SB Margaret McNamara RIP

*St. Bede's School joining us for Mass*

7.30 pm SB Int Tessie Farrell

Thur 7th 6.30 am SB Julia Murray RIP

Fri 8th 9.30 am HG Int. Mary Huntley

*Adoration after 9.30 am Mass till 11 am*

7.00 pm SB *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*

7.30 pm SB *Stations of the Cross*

Sat 9th 9.30 am SB Berney Bernetta Buse RIP

*Confessions after 9.30 Mass till 10.45 am*

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

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**Sun 10th** 9.00 am SB Joan Gomez RIP

11.00 am SB People of the Parish

6.30 pm SB David-Jayce Angafor RIP

Mon 11th 12 noon HG Dea Arantes RIP

Tues 12th 9.15 am *Mass at St. Joseph's Church*

Wed 13th 9.30 am HG Mr. Mrs Lloyd Wedding Anniversary

Thur 14th 6.30 am SB John Duffy RIP

Fri 15th 9.30 am HG Dec. Mbrs Goolye Family

*Adoration after 9.30 Mass until 11 am*

7.00 pm SB *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*

7.30 pm SB *Stations of the Cross*

Sat 16th 9.30 am SB Mariya Abraham RIP

*Confessions after 9.30 am Mass till 10.45 am*

## Sun 17th SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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9.00 am SB Billy/Kitty Lloyd RIP

11.00 am SB Dec. Mbrs Mahdavi & Agro Families

6.30 pm SB People of the Parish

Mon 18th 12 noon HG P.V. George RIP

Tues 19th 9.15 am *Mass at St. Joseph's Church*

Wed 20th 9.30 am HG Thanksgiving Gibson & Goolyne Families

Thur 21st 6.30 am SB Int. Laura Haan

Fri 22nd 9.30 am HG Thanksgiving Maria Colella

*Adoration after 9.30 am Mass until 11 am*

7.00 pm SB *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*

7.30 pm SB *Stations of the Cross*

Sat 23rd 9.30 am SB Caroline D'Souza RIP

*Confessions after 9.30 am Mass till 10.45 am*



## LENT 2019

Lent 2019 starts on 6th March, Ash Wednesday, it is a time to prepare for Holy Week's commemoration of Our Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection.



### ASH WEDNESDAY

Mass and distribution of Ashes are at St. Bede's Church at 9.30 am and 7.30 pm.

Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence.

Abstinence is to abstain from eating meat, is binding on all Catholics aged 14+ until death.

To fast is to noticeably reduce our food and drink intake, to freely give up a particular food, drink or entertainment. Fasting is binding on all Catholics aged 18—60 yrs. During Lent we do not sing either the Gloria or the Alleluia. Flowers do not decorate the Church and Baptisms are held over until Easter.

### EVERY THURSDAY IN LENT

6.30 am Mass at St Bede followed by breakfast.

### EVERY FRIDAY IN LENT

7.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Stations of the Cross at 7.30 pm at St. Bede.

### LENTEN LUNCHES

If you are available to host a soup lunch, the hall is now available to be booked. Please check with the Parish Office, or you can host a lunch in your home.

### CAFOD

CAFOD Lent Family Fast Day is an opportunity to support our brothers and sisters overseas who are in need. On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March can you eat simple meal so that others can simply eat. Through CAFOD's global network your support can reach to the ends of the earth so please collect your Fast Day envelope from Church and give whatever you can or you can donate online at <https://cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/Fast-Day>

### SIGNIFICANT ANNIVERSARIES

It is always good to celebrate Significant Anniversaries. This year Mgr Harvey is celebrating his 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood, and we are marking this milestone with Mgr Vincent presiding at Mass here at St. Bede's Church on Saturday 6th April at 10 am. All are invited.

### SIGNIFICANT WEDDINGS ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating a 25<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or Anniversary over 60 years? If so Bishop Philip would like to invite you to a Mass of Celebration. This will take place at St Bede's Church in Basingstoke on **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at 11 am.**

If you would like to come, please fill in the form on the Diocesan website, [www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) email to [anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk). Please note this address is not monitored daily and you may have to wait for a reply, so please be patient, or please contact the Parish Office for the form.

## DIARY:

**Sunday 3rd Mar:** Music: 9 am Choir: 11 am Popley: 6.30 pm Piano  
Welcome to our First Holy Communion Children this weekend.  
Confirmation Candidates meet 3—6 pm for Session 5  
Refreshments after the 9 am Mass  
Repository open after all Masses  
Recycled Unwanted Gifts Sale today after 9 and 11 am Masses All proceeds towards the Little Hospice of Hoima in Uganda.

Every Sunday at 4 pm, the Polish Community will be reciting the Rosary at 4 pm in St. Bede's Church, all are welcome to attend.

Tues 5th: Toddler Group meet 1.30—3.15 pm SB  
Wed 6th: Masses 9.30 am, 7.30 pm  
Distribution of Ashes  
Thur 7th: Church cleaning after 9.30 am Mass  
Fri 8th: 7pm Exposition of Blessed Sacrament  
7.30 pm Stations of the Cross SB

**Sunday 10th Mar:** Music: 9 am Choir: 11 am Cantorg: 6.30 pm Lord's Flock

Mon 11th KSC @ 7.30 pm SB  
Tues 12th Toddler Group SB 1.30—3.15 pm

### DEANE SINFONIA

We are looking for string and brass players in all sections for our amateur orchestra based in Basingstoke. Do you want to get back into playing after a break? Have you finished university or school and are eager to keep playing? Are you an adult learner looking to join an orchestra? Children grown up and looking for a hobby? Do you want to play the pieces you hear on Classic FM? We rehearse Mondays, 7:30pm to 9:30pm at Queen Mary's College, Basingstoke. Please contact us via [www.deane-sinfonia.com](http://www.deane-sinfonia.com) or telephone John on 01256 398211.

### BASINGSTOKE FOODBANK

The Foodbank Store is having to relocate because the building used to store donated food has been sold. Vouchers are still being redeemed at Sarum Hill. Please halt all donations until a new location is known.

### NIGHT WINTER SHELTER

The annual winter shelter provision, this year at Key House finished on 28th February. Thank you to everyone who supported the project. We are not able to accept any more donations of any kind.

### COLLECTIONS

Parish Collection last week amounted to £2,607.91p Grateful thanks. Second collection for the 'Comboni Missionaries' amounted to £1,169.53p. We received a telephone call and letter from Fr. Tiziano thanking us for our generosity and also for our hospitality. Thank you to Sammi and Maria who raised nearly £30 last weekend after the 11 am Mass, proceeds will go towards the Lourdes' Fund.