

THE MESSENGER

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THOUGHT FOR TWO WEEKS

It is all too easy to imagine there are circumstances in our life which give us an excuse to sin—though we also think this doesn't extend to other people. In urging us to try our best to enter “by the narrow door”, Jesus stresses that He is calling people from the ends of the earth into the Kingdom of God. It is by God's loving mercy that we come to heaven, and by this same mercy that we seek to love and to do God's will.

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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Sun 25th August	9.00 am	SB	Michael Driscoll RIP
	11.00 am	SB	Tayebe Rajabian RIP
	6.30 pm	SB	People of the Parish
Mon 26th	10.00 am	SB	Int. Anthony Byrne (Mass at St Bede <i>Adoration after 10.00 am Mass until 11.30 am</i>)
Tues 27th			No Mass
Wed 28th	9.30 am	HG	Int. Steve Haan
Thur 29th	9.30 am	SB	Austin Grey RIP
Fri 30th	11.00 am	HG	Requiem Kathleen Fleming RIP
Sat 31st	9.30 am	SB	Dec. Mbrs Liddell Family <i>Confessions after 9.30 am Mass until 10.45 am</i>

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Sun 1st Sept	9.00 am	SB	Cesar De Sagun RIP
	11.00 am	SB	People of the Parish
	6.30 pm	SB	Dec. Mbrs Hynes, Murphy Families
Mon 2nd	10.30 –11.30	SB	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	12.00noon		Mass at St Bede with Fr Bruce Barnes for the Religious of the Diocese
Tues 3rd	9.15 am		Mass at St. Joseph's Church
Wed 4th	9.15 am		Mass at St. Joseph's Church
Thur 5th	9.15 am		Mass at St. Joseph's Church
Fri 6th	9.15 am		Mass at St. Joseph's Church <i>Adoration Holy Ghost Church from 11.00 am to 12 noon</i>
Sat 7th	9.30 am	SB	Margaret Mary Foran RIP <i>Confessions after 9.30 am Mass until 10.45 am</i>

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Sun 8th Sept	9.00 am	SB	Theresa Sattiral RIP
	11.00 am	SB	Maria Manuela and Fernando Vale Costa RIP
	6.30 pm	SB	People of the Parish



A Wise saying: “A new broom sweeps clean, but an old broom knows the corners.”

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2020

The First Holy Communion Programme will be starting in October. We will have an enrolment Sunday on 22nd September, more information to follow.



CONFIRMATION 2020

The St. Bede's Confirmation programme will be running from October until the celebration of Confirmation in May/June 2020, for students from Year 8 and above. Application forms are now available and the deadline for receipt of applications will be 15th September. More information will follow soon.



RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)

Our Parish 'Journey in Faith' course begins on Thursday 19th September at 7.30 pm until 9.00 pm in Holy Ghost Church Hall, Burgess Road. The course is for adults wishing to be Baptised and/or Confirmed, or for anyone who would like to know more about the Catholic Faith. The course runs until Easter and will give an introduction to the Catholic Faith to help people decide whether they wish to join the Church. Please come along if you are considering becoming a Catholic, or are already Baptised a Catholic but have not yet been Confirmed.



SCHOOL ADMISSIONS SEPTEMBER 2020

Parents, when you apply for a place at our Catholic Primary School in January 2020, you will be required to complete a Supplementary Information Form stating how often you have attended Sunday Mass in the past year. You will need to ask Fr. Chris to verify the information which you provide on the Supplementary Information Form regarding your Mass attendance. A grey coloured card will be available in the Cloister Area for stamping on Sunday 15th September. This card needs to be stamped every time you attend Sunday Mass. (If your Child is not present, there will be no stamp).

WELCOME BACK

Soon we welcome back our Teachers and Children to School after the long summer break. We trust you all have had a happy fun filled holiday, and are ready to start a new academic year.

CARITAS HOMES WITHOUT BORDERS FOR REFUGEES

The refugee project is having "Tea at 3" in St. Bede's Church Hall from 3pm to 5pm on Wednesday 4th September. Please come along to enjoy a lovely cup of tea and slice of cake to support the work that the project team are doing.

Also, there will be an open update meeting at 7 pm on Thursday 12th September in St. Bede's Church Hall. All are welcome to come along to hear an update on the project, and to learn how they might be able to help the work of the project team.

DIARY:

Sunday 25th Aug: Music: 9 am Quiet: 11 am Quiet: 6.30 pm Quiet
BACCA / Refreshments after 11 am Mass
Polish Rosary at 4 pm SB

Sunday 1st Sept: Music: 9 am Quiet: 11 am Popley: 6.30 pm Lord's Flock
Polish Rosary at 4 pm SB

Sunday 8th Sept: Music: 9am Choir: 11 am Cantorg: 6.30 pm Richenda
Polish Rosary at 4 pm SB

PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office is currently closed due to holiday and will re-open on Friday 30th August.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CREATION

Pope Francis has established 1st September as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, encouraging the Catholic community around the world to pray for our common home. The day is inspired by Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si*, which calls on "every person living on this planet" to care for our shared Earth. On this Day of Prayer, let us "reaffirm [our] personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore his help for the protection of creation, as well as his pardon for the sins committed against the world in which we live."

CUPCAKE AFTERNOON—UPDATE

After further donations were received following our recent Cupcake day, the final figure sent to the Alzheimer's Society was an amazing £413. Thank you all so much for your support and generosity.

BAPTISMS

Congratulations and welcome to Cali Betty Ann Brown and Antoni Tarlowski who will be Baptised today.

FUNERAL

Requiem for Kathleen Fleming RIP takes place on Friday 30th August in Holy Ghost Church at 11 am. May She Rest in Peace.



LUCKY ME WINNER

Congratulations to Miss Vicki Allen of Old Basing who is this month's Knights of St Columba 'Lucky Me' winner.

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Parish Collection amounted to £2,342.45p. Grateful thanks.

NEWSLETTER ITEMS

If you have any news items to be considered for inclusion in our newsletter, please email: newletter@stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk. In order to assist the process of compiling the newsletter, news items should be received before 11.00 am on Wednesday. Many thanks.