

THE MESSENGER

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Sunday 11th July 2021

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year B, Psalter Week III

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before all weekday Masses

Sun 11th July	9.00 am	SB	Mass: Fernando Dolera RIP
	11.00 am	SB	Mass: BACCA 10th Anniversary
	6.00 pm	SB	Mass: People of the Parish
Mon 12th	12 noon	SB	Mass: Josie Derek Shepherd RIP
	6.00 pm	HG	Mass: Daphne Amy Broome
Tues 13th	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Bro Jude Dudman RIP
Wed 14th	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Rosaria Marchese RIP
	6.00 pm	HG	Mass: Int. Gibson & Goolye Families
Thur 15th	9.30 am	SB	St Swithun, Bishop, memorial
			Mass: Kathleen Gaiger RIP
Fri 16th	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Aurova Peralta RIP
	6.00 pm	HG	Mass: Holy Souls
Sat 17th			St Bonaventure, Religious, memorial
	9.30am	SB	Mass: Mike Took RIP
			<i>Confessions after 9.30 am Mass until 10.45 am</i>

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year B, Psalter Week IV

Sun 18th July	9.00 am	SB	Mass: Int. Clair Sia
	11.00 am	SB	Mass: Tito Gomes RIP
	6.00 pm	SB	Mass: Pauline & Julian Dudman RIP

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Today's beautiful second reading offers us the affirmation that we have been blessed with "all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ". It shows us the path from hesitation to affirmation, the path from uncertainty to freedom, and reassures us that we have been chosen in Christ to live "through love in His presence". This free gift of love from God, which finds its fullness in Christ's total self-giving love on the cross, is what will enable each one of us to be transformed, to leave our doubts and fears behind, to worry less about our qualifications and to be able to say "yes" to what seems impossible. While it is understandable that we may hesitate in the face of some of today's challenges, we can try not to let fear paralyse us and prevent us from achieving what we are called to, and capable of. The transformative antidote to such hesitation without doubt is love: Christ's love for us, and our love and support for one another. Like parents encouraging a hesitant child to walk, or affirming their child's first word, let us offer little transformative "moments" of love and affirmation to one another and to our world. In this we then, like the disciples, become apostles of healing to all those we encounter. And really the only qualification needed is an abundance and a sharing of love.

Taken from The Living Word, Redemptorist Publications

WELCOME

A very warm welcome to all parishioners who join us for Mass whether in church or via the live-stream. If you are new to the area, please register as a member of our parish by completing the new parishioner form on our website.

ATTENDING MASS

- * Please wear a face mask at all times
- * Apply hand sanitizer when entering and leaving the church
- * The number of parishioners at each Mass will be limited and the maximum stated when you book tickets
- * QR Codes are displayed for you to scan using your mobile for Track and Trace.

The current procedures will continue to remain in place until we receive further guidance from the Diocese after 19th July.

BOOKING TO ATTEND SUNDAY MASS

To book tickets to attend Sunday Mass please go to our website <https://www.stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk> where links will be published each week.

ARRIVING FOR MASS ON TIME

When arriving for Sunday Mass at 9 am, 11 am or 6 pm, please arrive at least 15 minutes before Mass starts to allow time to register and find your seats. People are still arriving when the Gospel is being read. Please respect our volunteers by arriving early enough for them to also be able to fully attend Mass. Thank you for your understanding.

HOLIDAY

Fr. Dominic is taking a well earned holiday. We look forward to welcoming him back fully refreshed after his break in a couple of weeks.

PLANT SALE

On Sunday 11th July there will be a plant sale after all Masses in aid of St. Michael's Hospice. Please come along and support the sale.



LET'S DO AFTERNOON TEA

Join Deacon Tony, Pam and other parishioners via Zoom for afternoon tea with chat, a quiz and prayer time from 3.00 pm until 4.30 pm on Sunday 11th July. To receive Zoom meeting details please send an email to stbedessocial@gmail.com.

AFTERNOON TEA IN ST. BEDE'S HALL

The first face to face afternoon tea will be taking place on Sunday 25th July from 3 - 4.30 pm in St. Bede's Church hall. If you would like to attend please RSVP via email to stbedessocial@gmail.com or let the parish office know so that we can keep track of the numbers who hope to attend. We look forward to seeing you all very soon.

BAPTISM PROGRAMME

The next baptism programme will take place on the 12th and 26th September at 1:15pm. If you are interested in attending please email baptism@stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk More information on the format of the next programme will follow nearer the time.

SEA SUNDAY

Sunday 11th July is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Today's second collection is for Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea), the Catholic Church's official maritime welfare agency. It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually. For an appeal talk from Bishop Paul Mason, and a video showing some of what Stella Maris does, please visit www.stellamaris.org.uk/SeaSunday. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work. To donate, please visit www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate or text 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. Stella Maris is dependent on voluntary donations, so please give generously. Thank you.



THE MONTH OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD

July is traditionally the month dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus. Why not pray the beautiful Litany of the Precious Blood each day for the rest of this month?

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

We will be offering a First Holy Communion programme starting in October for baptised children within the Parish of Holy Ghost, aged 7 and over. If you would like to be added to our mailing for this programme please email fhc@stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk with the child's name. Children attending St Bede's School will follow a separate FHC course led by their teachers and the school will inform parents about this course.

POPE FRANCIS JULY PRAYER INTENTION

Social Friendship - We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate



VIVA VOCE

The next edition of our quarterly Diocesan newsletter is available in the Cloister. Please take a copy away with you to read at home.

DON BOSCO BOYS' SUMMER CAMP

Spaces are still available for the Portsmouth Diocesan "Don Bosco" Boys' Camp - 25th to 31st July 2021. The camp will be going ahead this summer for boys of secondary school age at St. Cassian's, Kintbury. There will be plenty of sport, outings, competitions and fun and games to ensure that boys will have a fantastic few days. This will continue to take place within the context of the celebration of the Catholic Faith, including daily Mass and morning prayer. The cost of the camp is £210 (part bursaries may be available on application). To find out more or to reserve a place, please email dbcamps@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

BAPTISMS

Congratulations and welcome to Christopher Hughes and Georgia Sillitoe who are being baptised next weekend.

PARISH COLLECTION

Collection for week ending 4th July amounted to £2,128. Thank you for your support and generosity to the parish.