

THE HOLY GHOST PARISH

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Sunday 22nd May 2022

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Year C, Psalter Week II

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before all weekday Masses

Sun 22nd May	9.00 am	SB	Mass: People of the Parish
	11.00 am	SB	Mass: Maria Valencia RIP, Adrian Torres RIP
	12.30 pm	SB	Baptism
	1.45 pm	SB	Baptism
	6.00 pm	SB	Mass: Marketa Placha RIP
Mon 23rd	12 noon	SB	Mass: Sheila Budgen RIP
Tues 24th	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Winnie & Dorothy Orrell-Jones RIP (Fond)
Wed 25th			St Bede the Venerable , Religious, <i>memorial</i>
	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Peter/Jophy 25th Wedding Anniversary
Thur 26th			THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD , <i>solemnity</i>
	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Dec Mbrs Donor's St. Bede's Church
	12 noon	SB	Funeral Service Robert George Payne RIP
Fri 27th			ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY , Bishop, <i>feast</i>
	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Dorothy Liddell RIP (Fond)
Sat 28th	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Thanksgiving Mary Jose
	10.00 am	SB	Alton Day of Renewal

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Year C, Psalter Week III

Sun 29th May	9.00 am	SB	Mass: Elsamma Dominic RIP
	11.00 am	SB	Mass: Simisola Motunriyi Lyi-Ojo RIP
	6.00 pm	SB	Mass: Pat & Geoff Manley RIP

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Today's readings all contain teaching for us as individuals, but much more for us as the Body of Christ in the world. The early Church struggled to discern between true and false teaching and to preserve the community from all attempts to divert attention from Jesus' unequivocal teaching about welcoming sinners into the Kingdom. Every attempt we make to separate those we consider sinners from participation in the gathered community is similar in spirit to this excluding attitude. It is part of the challenge of discernment that we have to try to balance the teaching of the Church with Christ's call to freedom, mercy and compassion. The story from Acts, like the vision of John in the Apocalypse in our second reading, serves to remind us that we are guests at Christ's table at the Eucharist feast, not hosts or bouncers, controlling who is welcome. Christ Himself is the feast and the one who issues the invitations. Every member of the Church is a sinner, welcomed by His compassion and mercy. In God's house all are welcome.

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WELCOME

A very warm welcome to all Parishioners who join us, whether in our Church or via the live-stream. If you are new to the area, please register as a member of our Parish using the form on our website.

SCHOOL CAR PARK UNAVAILABLE

Please note that on Sunday 22nd May, the school car park will not be available for use for the 9 am and 11 am Masses.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please keep in your prayers children from St. Bede's School who will be making their First Holy Communion this week-end. Thank you to all the Catechists who have prepared the children, and all involved in organising the programme.

FEAST OF ST. BEDE THE VENERABLE



On Wednesday 25th May we celebrate the Feast of St. Bede, who is the patron of our Church and Primary School. *"Unfurl the sails, and let God steer us where He will."* St. Bede the Venerable

CHURCH FLOWERS

We have received lots of messages thanking our Flower Ladies/Team for the beautiful flower arrangements this last week. We thank them for the wonderful job they do - they are another of our Parish 'unsung heroes'.

ALTON DAY OF RENEWAL LIVE - 28TH MAY 2022

St Bede's Church is hosting a retreat day of spiritual renewal beginning with Mass at 9.30 am. The day will include a talk on praise, an extended time of lively praise and worship as well as silent Adoration, Prophetic Reflection, Rosary and an opportunity to receive Prayer Ministry. For more information on ADoRE go to <http://www.altonrenewal.com>

SIGNIFICANT WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES MASS

Are you celebrating a 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th anniversary, 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 on **Saturday 2nd July 2022 at 11 am**. If you would like to come, please visit our website [Significant Wedding Anniversaries Mass 2022 – St Bede's, Basingstoke \(stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk\)](http://stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk) and complete the online form, or contact the Parish Office.

AFTERNOON TEA

The next 'Afternoon Tea' will be taking place on Sunday 29th May at 3.00 pm and we will be meeting 'face to face' in St. Bede's Church Hall. So that we can anticipate numbers, please send an email to stbedesocial@gmail.com to let us know you are coming.

HOLY DUSTERS

The next cleaning session will be on Thursday 26th May after the 9.30 am Mass. It is Ascension Day so Mass may end slightly later than normal. There will be no Recital of the Rosary on that day.

BACCA

BACCA (Basingstoke African Caribbean Catholic Association) will be meeting after 11 am Mass on Sunday 29th May.

THANK YOU

Last week's cake sale raised a fantastic £335.46 for repair work needed at Holy Ghost Church. Thank you to everyone involved and all who bought cakes.

CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS' ROSARY GROUP

Catholic grandparents in St. Bede's and the Pastoral Area are invited on Wednesday 22nd June to watch a 25 minute inspirational video clip on the vocation of grandparents. We will meet after 9.30 am Mass and the Rosary. Over tea/coffee and biscuits, we can share some ideas about the joys and challenges of passing on the faith to our grandchildren in the current secular climate.

CELEBRATORY MASS

All families who have had a child Baptised during the pandemic, are invited to attend a celebratory Mass at St. Bede's Church on Sunday 19th June at 2.00 pm. Afterwards, there will be light refreshments in the Hall. To help with catering, please contact Pam on 07883 059529 by **6th June 2022** to confirm attendance.

BACCA SUMMER FETE 2022

The BACCA Summer Fete is back this year and will take place on Saturday 9th July from 12 noon until 6pm on St Bede's School field. Come along for a BBQ, games, music and much more. Tickets are £5 per adult and children are free.

FANNING THE FLAME 2022 - 15TH TO 19TH AUGUST

This Catholic camp, for ages 11 to 21, is a gathering of about 100 young people, who come together to re-connect with old friends and make new ones, to learn more about our loving God and deepen their relationship with Him. Ask questions, spend time with our Lord, receive the Sacraments, have a lot of silly fun, and be renewed in your life and faith! The camp is run by The Dominican Sisters of St. Joseph and an experienced team of volunteers. Find out more here: [Fanning The Flame Summer Camp](http://www.fanningtheflame.org.uk)

BAPTISM PREPARATION PROGRAMME

The next Baptism preparation programme will be taking place on 10th and 24th July at 1.15pm in St. Bede's Church Hall. to register please email: baptism@stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk



FUNERALS

Funeral Service for Robert George Payne RIP on Thursday 26th May at St Bede's Church at 12 noon. Funeral Service for baby Timothy Akua Nyamekye Ohene-Mensah on Tuesday 7th June at 1.30 pm in Worting Road Cemetery Chapel. May they rest in Peace.

PARISH COLLECTION

Collection for week ending 15th May amounted to £1,999.06. Thank you for your generosity to the Parish. Second collection next weekend is for Catholic Communications Network.

DONATIONS TO THE PARISH

The easiest way to make a donation to the Parish is via Standing Order, Bank Transfer or Online at: [Donate to Basingstoke St Bede's Church | Give as you Live Donate](http://www.stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk)