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Sunday 18th June 2023 ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year A, Psalter Week III

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before all weekday Masses

Sun 18th June	9.00 am 11.00 am 2.30 pm 6.00 pm	SB SB SB SB	Mass: People of the Parish Mass: In Thanksgiving Mass in the Syro Malabar Rite Mass: Vera Svobodova RIP
Mon 19th	12 noon	SB	Mass: Int. Frank Hannah Monaghan
Tues 20th	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Int. Gibson/Goolye Families
Wed 21st	St Aloysius 9.30 am	Gonza SB	ga, Religious, <i>memorial</i> Mass: Int. Ngome & Kang Families
Thur 22nd	Ss JOHN FIS 9.30 am	HER & SB	THOMAS MORE , Martyrs, <i>feast</i> Mass: Gerardo Silano RIP
Fri 23rd	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Mathew Thomas RIP
Sat 24th	9.30 am	SB	ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, solemnity Mass: Salvador Baptista RIP 9.30 am Mass until 11.00 am

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year A, Psalter Week IV

Sun 25th June
9.00 am SB Mass: Terry, Breda Reilly RIP
11.00 am SB Mass: People of the Parish
Welcome to our newly Confirmed candidates
1.00 pm SB Baptisms
6.00 pm SB Mass: Felicjan Sawko RIP

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Jesus spends a lot of His time with crowds. In the end it will be a crowd that causes His downfall, egged on by manipulative leaders. Perhaps it was the same crowd that cheered Him loudly on His way but a few days earlier. This is how crowds behave, even in this case to the point of declaring that they would willingly take His blood upon their heads and upon the heads of their children. Carried away by the passion of the moment, they are capable of anything. But for all this Jesus never condemns the crowd. Rather He sees their underlying misery and despair. They are like sheep without a shepherd, lacking direction and security. It is in response to the dejection of the crowd that Jesus gathers His disciples together for their first mission. He wants to offer true leadership, a leadership that will cast out evil spirits and cure all kinds of disease and sickness. He wants to take away their brokenness and lack of love. He has shown He can do this Himself. Now He shares His power with His disciples, sending them first of all to the people of Israel, for it is right that such healing is offered first to those the Lord has chosen as His own. Later the mission will be to the peoples of the nations as well, the Gentiles, for all are called to be healed and reconciled and to become members of God's people.

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WELCOME

A very warm welcome to all parishioners and visitors who join us for Mass whether in our Church or via the livestream.

GOLDEN JUBILEE

Congratulations to Fr. Tom Grufferty who celebrates his Golden Jubilee to the Priesthood this weekend. Fr. Tom was appointed Parish Priest in Holy Ghost Church in 1984. We send him our best wishes and every Blessing.

JOIN US FOR THE TIME OF YOUR LIFE!



Youth pilgrims are needed to join the Portsmouth Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 17-21st July 2023. We are especially looking for young people aged 16+ who would be able to dedicate their participation in the

pilgrimage to supporting some of our less agile pilgrims. Our support team each year assists some of our pilgrims by pushing wheelchairs, extending a supporting hand, assisting at mealtimes by carrying plates to tables from the buffet once the pilgrim has chosen their meal, and by extending the ministry of welcome to all our pilgrims. No assistance with personal care is required at any time. We can assure you a good time is had by all who participate. The pilgrimage is a rare opportunity to immerse yourself in your faith whilst serving others and enjoying the social aspects of a holiday. Those who have joined us in the past have said that they found the experience inspiring, their faith deepen and the ability to be in a place of peace awesome. Our pilgrimage will cost Youth Pilgrims £699, begin on the 17th July at Bournemouth airport from where we will fly direct to Tarbes Lourdes and end back at Bournemouth on the 21st July. On the 24th of June at Milner Hall, Winchester Hall we will be holding a familiarisation day for youth pilgrims followed by a pre-pilgrimage gathering for all pilgrims. To join us or to find out more information please phone 07780 221686 or email: lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

NURSE NEEDED: ARE YOU A NURSE?



Would you be available to travel to Lourdes for the 17-21st July 2023 if so, we would love to hear from you. We need a nurse to support our pilgrim team during our Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes this

year. For further details contact Canon PJ Smith our pilgrimage director: lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

AFTERNOON TEA

The next 'Afternoon Tea' will take place on Sunday 25th June at 3.30pm in St. Bede's Church Hall. Please note the slightly later start time. The tea in July will be the last one before the Summer holidays and will be held on Sunday 23rd July at 3.00pm. All are welcome!

BAPTISM PREPARATION PROGRAMME

The next Baptism programme will take place on Sunday 9th and Sunday 16th July at 1.30pm. For further details please email: baptism@stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk

DAY FOR LIFE

Day for Life is celebrated on Sunday 18th June, and is the day in the Church's calendar set aside for raising awareness of the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition – from conception to natural death.

Communicating the Holy Father's message, the new Papal Nuncio to the UK, Archbishop Miguel Maury Buendía expressed Pope Francis's prayers, particularly for expectant mothers and their families, through the intercession of Mary, Mother of God. Today's Second Collection assists the work of the Anscombe Bioethics Centre, and other liferelated activities supported by the Church. You can also donate online at: Day for Life second collection 2023 | Give as you Live Donate

POPE FRANCIS JUNE PRAYER INTENTION

During June, Pope Francis asks us to pray for the abolition of torture. We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and quarantee support to victims and their families.

BACCA SUMMER FETE

This year's BACCA Summer Fete will be taking place at St. Bede's School Field on Saturday 15th July 2023. There will be a BBQ, bouncy castles, face painting, sack races and lots more. Tickets will be £10.00 for adults, £5.00 for children, family ticket £30.00, and children under 2 years go free.

SEEKER NIGHT

The next Seeker Night will take place from 7-9pm at Sacred Heart Church, Fareham, PO16 ONQ on Friday 7th July. The monthly Seeker and discernment evening is for all those who are pondering their path in life and seeking the will of the Lord. The evening follows a very simple pattern of a meal, a discussion and Adoration. Discernment enables us to assess situations, pay attention to various clues, approach our decision making prayerfully, and choose well according to our faith and our life situation. Please get in touch for more information and an invite to these evenings: vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

CAFOD: UPDATE ON THE CONFLICT IN SUDAN

Violent conflict continues in Sudan and thousands of people are running out of food, water and medicine. Working as part of the Caritas network, your previous donations to CAFOD are enabling our teams to provide practical help to families who have escaped to neighbouring countries, including South Sudan. Please join Pope Francis in praying for peace in Sudan. Find out more on the CAFOD website: Sudan conflict: What is happening and how to help (cafod.org.uk)

PARISH COLLECTION

Collection for week ending 11th June amounted to £2,262.51. Thank you for your generosity to the Parish.

DONATIONS TO THE PARISH

The easiest way to make a donation to the Parish is online at: <u>Donate to Basingstoke St Bede's</u>
<u>Church | Give as you Live Donate</u> or via our new contactless terminal by the Hall.

