

THE HOLY GHOST PARISH

Serving the Churches of Holy Ghost and St. Bede

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Sunday 21st July 2024

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year B, Psalter Week IV

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before all weekday Masses

Sun 21st July	9.00 am	SB	Mass: Holy Souls
	11.00 am	SB	Mass: People of the Parish
	2.30 pm	SB	Syro Malabar Rite
	6.00 pm	SB	Mass: Private Intention
Mon 22nd			ST MARY MAGDALENE, feast
	12 noon	SB	Mass: In thanksgiving
Tues 23rd			ST BRIDGET OF SWEDEN, Patron of Europe, feast
	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Joseph K.P. RIP
	7.30 pm	SB	<i>Holy Hour with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>
Wed 24th	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Cicily, Jacob Peter RIP
	12 noon	HG	Funeral Service Arthur Hardy RIP
Thur 25th			ST JAMES, Apostle, feast
	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Laurence Williams RIP
Fri 26th			Ss Joachim & Anne, Parents of Our Lady, memorial
	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Linda, Joseph Grasso RIP
Sat 27th	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Dec Mbrs Liddell Family (Fond)
			<i>Confessions after 9.30 am Mass until 11.00 am</i>

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year B, Psalter Week I

Sun 28th July	9.00 am	SB	Mass: People of the Parish
	11.00 am	SB	Mass: Int. Lukasz Jedrzejewski
	2.00 pm	SB	Syro Malabar Rite
	6.00 pm	SB	Mass: Todd Bowers RIP

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Jesus and the disciples were so busy that they needed a break. The crowds had prevented them from even having time to eat. We can imagine their sighs of relief when Jesus told His disciples that they would go away for a few days of peace and quiet by themselves. They climbed into the boat and paddled away, planning to spend the next day or so busily doing nothing. However, despite Jesus' best intentions, when they pulled into shore, people had already guessed where they were going and arrived ahead of them. How the disciples' hearts must have sunk! Jesus felt sorry for the crowd, abandoned His plans for relaxation, and instead spoke to the crowd and healed those who were sick. He was the Good Shepherd who cared for His sheep. Each of us has our own supporting team: those who love and understand us and who are prepared to be with us through thick and thin. We are also probably people on whom others depend. If Jesus is the Good Shepherd, we are called to imitate Him and to shepherd the people around us.

Taken from The Living Word, Redemptorist Publications

WELCOME

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

ST BEDE'S CHURCH HALL

Sadly, our Church hall suffered a flood last weekend and while the floor dries and we assess the extent of the damage, it will remain closed.



PLEASE BEAR WITH US ...

As you may now be aware, we had a leak in the hall last weekend, which has damaged the floor and we are currently investigating how severe this is. The heavy rain Monday evening caused some flooding in the Church, we have problems with the Automatic Doors, the Baptismal Font requires further maintenance work, as well as a leaking window in Holy Ghost Presbytery. As you can imagine, dealing with all these issues as well as the normal parish workload, places an additional pressure on parish staff. Please bear with us if our service is not up to the normal standard and remember us in your prayers.

SUMMER BREAK

As the schools break up for their well-deserved summer holiday, so too will some of those who contribute to the following parish ministries: Music Ministry, Choir, Children's Liturgy, Tea/Coffee. However, 'St. Bede's Holy Dusters', will still come fortnightly on a Thursday to clean the Church. Wishing the pupils and staff of all our local schools a happy, safe and restful holiday, whether you stay at home or are going abroad.

YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL

The annual Youth 2000 Summer Festival will take place from Friday 23rd August - Monday 26th August 2024 in the beautiful surroundings of Ampleforth Abbey, North Yorkshire. This festival is an opportunity for young people (aged 16-35) from across the UK to grow in their relationship with God, form friendships and be inspired to live out their faith! The programme will include input from incredible speakers, a wonderful variety of workshops, and loads of opportunities to be with Jesus and encounter His love. Tickets (which include food and accommodation) can be purchased from: [Events — Youth 2000](#) If you have any questions please email events@youth2000.org

AFTERNOON TEA

The next 'Afternoon Tea' will be on Sunday 28th July at 3pm. This will also be an opportunity to say 'Good-bye' to the Brown family who will soon be moving to the US.

BAPTISM PREPARATION PROGRAMME

The next Baptism Preparation sessions will be held on Sunday 15th and Sunday 22nd September at 1.15pm. For more information or to register please send an email to: baptisms@stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk

DIOCESAN RECRUITMENT

For details of all the latest job vacancies across the Diocese please click the link: [Careers - Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth, \(portsmouthdiocese.org.uk\)](https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/Careers-Catholic-Diocese-of-Portsmouth)

ALTON DAY OF RENEWAL

On Saturday 27th July there is an opportunity to participate in a free mini-retreat morning "HOLY, HOLY, HOLY: going deeper in Praise, Worship and Prayer" that will explore this in more depth. This meeting on Zoom is hosted by "ADoRE" one of the longest-running charismatic days of renewal in the country. The session includes Mass, Adoration, Praise and Worship, inspired Teaching and Prayer for all participants to foster the presence of the Holy Spirit in them. It is part of the 2024 ADoRE programme developing our understanding and appreciation of how we are to respond to God's call to holiness; co-operating with the Holy Spirit as He helps us to love and obey God's will to love Him and to love our neighbour. Please register for the Zoom meeting in advance: [Meeting Registration - Zoom](#)

REPOSITORY

Repository will be closed during the month of August, thank you to Maria, Jayney, Mary and Maureen for their weekly support.

POPE FRANCIS JULY PRAYER INTENTION

During July, Pope Francis asks us to pray for those with pastoral care of the sick. *We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.*

FUNERALS

Patrick Joseph Lee RIP, we remember Fr John and his family at this sad time. Funeral Service for Arthur Hardy RIP on Wednesday 24th July at 12 noon in Holy Ghost Church. Funeral Mass for Philip O'Reilly RIP on Monday 5th August at 12 noon in St. Bede's Church. Funeral Mass for Carmilla Colella RIP on Tuesday 6th August at 12.30 pm in Holy Ghost Church. Funeral Service for Nicholas Hollingshead RIP on Wednesday 7th August in Holy Ghost Church at 11 am. Funeral Mass for Paddy Payne RIP on Friday 9th August in St Bede's Church at 11 am. We remember their family and friends at this sad time. May they Rest in Peace.



FOOD AND DRINK

Parents, please do not feed your children sweets and crisps inside the Church. It is distracting to others and unhelpful to the child if they are to grow up knowing why Church is a special place.

THANK YOU

Thank you for giving to Sea Sunday. Our parish raised £467.50. Your generous gifts will ensure that Stella Maris chaplains can continue to be a friend for seafarers and fishers in times of need. To find out more please visit www.stellamaris.org.uk

PARISH COLLECTION

Collection for week ending 14th July amounted to £2,773.86. Thank you for your generosity.

DONATIONS TO THE PARISH

The easiest way to make a donation to the Parish is online at: [Donate to Basingstoke St Bede's Church | Give as you Live Donate](#) or via our contactless terminal by the Hall.