

THE HOLY GHOST PARISH

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Sunday 17th November 2024 THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year B, Psalter Week I

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before all weekday Masses

Sun 17th Nov	9.00 am	SB	Mass: People of the Parish
	11.00 am	SB	Mass: Maria Sauleek RIP (Fond)
	2.30 pm	SB	Syro Malabar Rite
	6.00 pm	SB	Mass: Kathleen, Patrick Bruen RIP
Mon 18th	Dedication of the Basilicas of St Peter & St Paul, Rome, optional memorial		
	10.15 am	HG	Funeral Mass for Joan Gallaway RIP
	12 noon	SB	Mass: Audrey Campbell RIP
Tues 19th	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Dec Mbrs Grasso & McAulay Families RIP
	2.00 pm		Funeral Service for Lorraine Blake RIP (Crematorium)
	7.30 pm	SB	<i>Holy Hour with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>
Wed 20th	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Mike Took RIP (Fond)
Thur 21st	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, memorial		
	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Marcus Henry RIP
Fri 22nd	St Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr, memorial		
	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Euzebian Rodricks RIP
Sat 23rd	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Dec Mbrs Broadbent Family (Fond)

Confessions after 9.30 am Mass until 11.00 am

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Year B, Psalter Week II

Sun 24th Nov	9.00 am	SB	Mass: Edward & James O'Brien RIP
	11.00 am	SB	Mass: Michaela Waterfield RIP
	2.00 pm	SB	Syro Malabar Rite
	6.00 pm	SB	Mass: People of the Parish

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Today we remember the poor people of this world, conscious that poverty is often unrelated to finance. A student car park attendant commented that some of his clients receive cars from parents who otherwise remain uninvolved in their children's lives. Busy drop-in cafes and libraries support customers who long for company and recognition. Some torn-apart families struggle to heal the wounds of division. Tragically, we have witnessed families who, through war, lose everything they possess - but discover the riches of love, hope and courage. Sometimes affluence and destitution walk together. Today we pray for all those who experience poverty in whatever form, that they will find the security and hope for which they yearn. We pray for those who are in need and don't know where to look for support.

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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.

MORNING PRAYER DURING ADVENT

Throughout Advent we will be praying Morning Prayer during Adoration beginning around 9 am.

SIMPLE THOUGHTS AS WE APPROACH ADVENT

- Are you sensitive to the needs of those around you? How do you respond?
- How do you decide whether or not to help another person?
- God cares for us. God shepherds us. Have you experienced that?

NEW LECTIONARY RESOURCES

The Archdiocese of St Andrew's and Edinburgh have published three YouTube videos on the Lectionary which are useful for formation as to why the text has changed. The three videos are: Bishop Hugh Gilbert (Aberdeen) on "Introducing the English Standard Version", Fr Paul Denney on "The New Lectionary" and Fr Adrian Porter SJ on "Proclaim the Word in the Liturgy". Click the link to watch the videos: [Lectionary Video Resources - Catholic Bishops' Conference](#)

UNWANTED GIFT SALE

There will be a 'Gift Sale' after all Masses this Sunday, 17th November to help raise funds for a local charity, HHH (Hampshire and Hoima Hospitals) and the Little Hospice of Hoima in Uganda. The money raised will help fund equipment needed for patients and also fund repair of existing equipment at the hospital in Hoima.

CAFOD CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Tickets will be on sale at all Masses on Sunday 24th Nov and Sunday 1st December. It will be drawn after the 11am Mass on Sunday 8th Dec. Thank you for your support.

WARM SPACES

Due to the lack of support, there will be no more sessions of Warm Spaces in the hall. Thank you to Mary Huntley for attending diligently every Wednesday to welcome people since September.

ST. BEDE'S SCHOOL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Fr John will be available on Tuesday 10th December between 10.30 am – 11.30 am, and again on Saturday 4th January 2025 between 10.30 – 11.15 am in the hall to sign forms. You don't need an appointment, just turn up and please remember to bring a copy of your child's Baptismal Form with you.

CHURCH GROUNDS

Have you noticed how the courtyard, flower beds, flower pots, grassed area, have been beautifully cared for. Grateful thanks to those Parishioners who work tirelessly, turn up unannounced, and just 'get on with the job' **'Thank you'**



POPE FRANCIS NOVEMBER PRAYER INTENTION

During November Pope Francis asks us to pray for anyone who has lost a child. *We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.*

LAS POSADAS 2024

Las Posadas, which means 'the inns' is a South American tradition, whereby a statue of the pregnant Mary sitting on a donkey, along with Joseph, make their way towards Bethlehem, looking for a place to stay. Traditionally, this begins 9 days before Christmas, representing the 9 months of Mary's pregnancy. This year, it will begin on 16th December ending on 24th December with the statue returning to the church for mid-night Mass. We need 9 volunteers to host the statue and hopefully hold a small service in your home with family, friends and neighbours; an opportunity for us all to evangelise and a good reminder of what this time of year is all about! The statue and everything you will need is provided. All you need to do is volunteer to cover one of the dates and be prepared to collect/receive the statue, host your own evening and then pass everything on to the next person. If you'd like to be involved, please contact Pam Darroch: pdarroch@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or 07883 059 529 to put yourself forward. Dates will be allocated on a first come first served basis. It would be wonderful to start this tradition in our parish.



SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Safeguarding Training will take place on 30th November at St Bede's Church Hall from 10.00 until 3.30pm. It is a Diocesan requirement that every three years training is undertaken. Anyone working with children or vulnerable adults should attend the safeguarding training. Please register online, information is on St Bede's noticeboard. If you have problems registering send an email with your name and the session you will be attending to: safeguarding@stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk and I will inform the Diocese. If you are attending both sessions, please bring with you a packed lunch. Thanking you all in advance.

FUNERALS

Funeral Mass for Joan Gallaway RIP on Monday 18th November in Holy Ghost Church at 10.15 am. We welcome Fr. Mark Hogan who will be the Celebrant. Funeral Service for Lorraine Frances Blake RIP at Basingstoke Crematorium on Tuesday 19th November at 2 pm. Funeral Mass on Monday 25th November at 12 noon at St. Bede's Church for Gerard McElroy RIP. May they Rest in Peace.



PARISH COLLECTION

Collection for week ending 10th November amounted to £2,638.60. 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.