

THE HOLY GHOST PARISH

Serving the Churches of Holy Ghost and St. Bede

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Sunday 9th November 2025

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

Remembrance Sunday

Year C, Psalter Week IV



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before all weekday Masses

Sun 9th Nov	9.00 am	SB	Mass: In thanksgiving Gabryel Domantay
	11.00 am	SB	Mass: People of the Parish
	2.00 pm		Blessing of Graves, Worting Road Cemetery
	6.00 pm	SB	Mass: John Hennessy RIP
Mon 10th			St Leo the Great , Pope, Doctor of the Church, <i>memorial</i>
	12 noon	SB	Mass: Nell Galvin RIP
Tues 11th			St Martin of Tours , Religious, Bishop, <i>memorial</i>
	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Yve Treadgold RIP
Wed 12th			St Josaphat , Bishop, Martyr, <i>memorial</i>
	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Int. Thomas Leon Fenton
Thurs 13th	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Int. Appiyah Family
Fri 14th	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Int. Daniel Woode
Sat 15th	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Bishop John Hine RIP
	<i>Confessions after 9.30 am Mass until 11.00 am</i>		

ST EDMUND OF ABINGDON

Joint-Principle Patron of the Diocese

Year C, Psalter Week I

Sun 16th Nov	9.00 am	SB	Mass: Edward James O'Brien RIP
	11.00 am	SB	Mass: Int. Fr Paul (50th Birthday)
	2.30 pm	SJ	Syro Malabar Rite in St. Joseph's
	6.00 pm	SB	Mass: Genowefa Sawko RIP

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

In our first reading the prophet Ezekiel has a vision of the water of life flowing from the Temple. It echoes the words Jesus himself spoke in the Temple in Jerusalem "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink." We heard St Paul, exasperated by the factions of the Christians in Corinth, telling them they had drifted from Jesus who was the foundation they were to build on. In the Gospel, John shows us an angry Jesus who is appalled by the blasphemy of God's holy Temple becoming a marketplace and a corrupt one at that. The Lateran Basilica is adorned with beautiful mosaics depicting Our Lady, Saints Peter and Paul, John the Evangelist, John the Baptist and smaller figures of St Francis and Anthony of Padua – but today, Remembrance Sunday, we pray to and for people who might be uncanonised saints, whose good works are known only to God and to those for whom they literally laid down their lives. God has remained alongside and within His suffering people and those who have fought for peace. With God's help, we can live, we can rebuild, we can look to the future.

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WELCOME

We extend a warm welcome to any visitors who join us for Mass. Welcome also to all who join us for our Liturgies live-streamed via our webcam: www.stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk

FEAST OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

This Sunday is the Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, the oldest and most important of the four major basilicas in Rome. The Basilica of St. John Lateran is the Cathedral of the Diocese of Rome, and is the official seat of the Holy Father as the Bishop of Rome (not St. Peter's Basilica as many mistakenly think). In ancient times, this was the church in the city where everyone was baptised. It is the oldest church in the Western world, built in the time of Constantine and consecrated by Pope Sylvester in 324. It became a feast kept throughout the Church as a sign of love for and union with the See of Peter, and a day to pray for the Pope's intentions.

ST BEDE'S SCHOOL SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FORMS (SIF)

Fr John will sign Supplementary Information Forms on Saturday 22nd December between 11am and 12 noon, and also on Saturday 3rd January 2026 between 11 am and 12 noon in the Parish Hall. Please remember to bring a copy of your child's Baptismal form with you!

WINTER NIGHT SHELTER

Info / training sessions for anybody interested in volunteering to help in the Winter Shelter, on dates between 1st Dec and 28th Feb, are being held as follows: 19.30 Tues 11th Nov - Hope Church, Sarum Hill (next door to Trinity Methodist Church). Volunteering is on a rota basis in accordance with people's availability during the time that the shelter is open.

HOLY GHOST CHURCH - PARKING

A schedule of work at Holy Ghost Church and Presbytery will continue for a few weeks. Please can we kindly ask that parishioners don't park in the car park to walk into town as contractors will need the available spaces.

ADVENT FAIR

On Saturday 29th November we will be holding an Advent Fair. We are now asking for donations for the tombola, bottle stall and raffle. If you can, please put whatever you have in the donations box in the cloister

ADORE (ALTON DAY OF RENEWAL)

Join ADORE for a morning of online spiritual renewal on 22nd November from 10.00 - 1.00 on Zoom. "PILGRIMS OF HOPE - SIGNPOSTS TO THE KINGDOM." How we can revitalise Parishes to show people the way and share our hope with the lost. Including Mass, Adoration, Praise, Prophecy, Prayer for the gifts of the Holy Spirit and inspiring talk from guest speaker Dr. Hannah Vaughan-Spruce. Please register in advance at: [Meeting Registration - Zoom](#) For more information go to: [ADORE Catholic Charismatic Renewal Meeting for spiritual renewal](#)

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Bishop Philip writes 'This Sunday is also Remembrance Sunday when we commemorate the contribution of British and Commonwealth military and civilian servicemen and women in the two World Wars and since. The Day is kept on the second Sunday in November, the Sunday nearest to 11th November, Armistice Day, the end of hostilities in the First World War in 1918. It is usually kept by two minutes' silence at 11am. Across the land, there will be numerous ceremonies at local war memorials in most cities, towns and villages, attended by civic dignitaries, ex-servicemen and women, members of the Royal British Legion and other veterans' organisations, and members of local armed forces regular and reserve units, military cadet forces and youth organisations such as the Boys and Girls Brigades, Scouts and Guides. Here in Portsmouth, where this day is naturally a big day given the links with the Royal Navy and the war efforts over the decades, wreaths will be laid at the memorial by the Guildhall. Representatives of the Judiciary also lay wreaths at local War Memorials throughout the country. Wreaths of remembrance poppies are laid on the memorials. The reason poppies are used to remember those who have given their lives in battle is because in the midst of the filth and mud in the fields of Flanders, they were the flowers which despite it all grew on the battlefields. *At the going down of the sun, and in the morning, we will remember them!*



NOVEMBER PRAYER INTENTION

During November, the Holy Father asks us to pray for the prevention of suicide. *Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.*



CAST OUT YOUR NETS

CHARIS Portsmouth is happy to welcome you to *Cast out your Nets*, an online evening of renewal focusing on evangelisation, on Thursday 13th November from 7.15 - 9.15pm. Our main speaker will be Fr Chris Thomas, who is involved in running the Irenaeus Project in Liverpool, while Mike Watson, a parishioner from Bracknell will also give his testimony. Come and see what the Lord has in store for you! To join the meeting, please register here [Meeting Registration - Zoom](#) for the Zoom link to be sent to you nearer the time.

PARISH COLLECTION

Collection for week ending 2nd November amounted to £2,738.10. Last weekends second collection for Bamenda amounted to £483.17. Many thanks for your generosity.

DONATIONS TO THE PARISH

The easiest way to make a donation to the Parish is via Standing Order/Bank Transfer, online at: [Donate to Basingstoke St Bede's Church | Give as you Live Donate](#) or using our contactless device by the Hall. Please don't forget to Gift Aid your donation if you can.

