

you stopped and took time to think, to discern? When was the last time you came face to face with Jesus Christ? When was the last real encounter you had with your faith?

This event is an opportunity to engage with likeminded families in prayer, fellowship and joy. Come and spend time with Jesus, friends, inspiring speakers and interactive workshops. Develop your faith. Develop your relationship with Jesus.

The conference will be supported by Fr Stephen Wang, Pippa Baker, Focus, Y2K who will lead our worship with inspirational music and our own Bishop Philip. Book your ticket now by either emailing congress@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or phoning 07780221686.

18-20 MAY 2018 Spiritual retreat by PULSE for the whole family at Ascot Priory. Teachings by Father Matt Blake, Carmelite. More information on the website. <https://www.pulse-retreats.com/adults>. Interested families can register on <https://www.pulse-retreats.com/events/the-foundations-and-practice-of-christian-prayer/form>

18th—19th May 2018 Sherry Weddell, author of Called and Gifted, and Forming Intentional Disciples, is coming to the diocese next month.

Royal Berkshire Hospital Chaplin: Fr JP Lyttle
Mobile: 07391 896559 , RBH: 0118 3227105
Sunday Mass 4.00pm
Patients, staff & visitors welcome.
On admission all Catholics should inform the hospital staff that they are Roman Catholic & if they wish to have Communion or see a priest. All arrangements in RBH are "Patient Led".

Christ the King, Whitley	Sat 6.30pm; Sun 10.00am
St. John Bosco, Woodley	Sat 6.30pm; Sun 10.00am
St. James	Sat 6.00pm; Sun 11.00am
English Martyrs, Tilehurst	Sat 6.30pm; Sun 9.30am, 11.30am, 5.00pm
St. Joseph, Tilehurst	Sun 8.30am, 10.30am
St. William of York	Sun 9.00am, 11.00am (in Latin) 6.00pm (Students' Mass)
Our Lady & St. Anne, Caversham	Sat 5.30pm; Sun 10.00am, 6.30pm

There are two events for laity, held at the Basingstoke Country Hotel. For more details and to book free places, please email [Clare atcsimpson@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:Clare.atcsimpson@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

15th—17th June 2018 Married Couples' Retreat at Isle of Wight. Please see poster in Advent room for more details.

16-17th June 2018 "CELEBRATE" an EVENT for all, young and old. 4 excellent talks for adults plus workshops and drama. Children have their own fun and faith building sessions. www.celebrateconference.org/weekends/Twickenham. call Jack/Mel on 01189967208 or Mike on 07778 124270
email: twickenham@celebrateconference.org

Saturday 30th June 2018
Special Mass for Significant Wedding Anniversary by Bishop at **St Bede's Church in Basingstoke** on .Please visit the Cathedral website www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/anniversaries/

Offertory Collection	22nd April 2018
Envelopes	£ 96.00
Loose Cash	£ 421.85
Standing Orders	£ 755.77
Total	£ 1,273.62

Thank you all for your kind donations.

This Sunday's Special Collection is for Clergy Training Fund

Emergency numbers for a Priest –
Please call your own priest first

Fr. Pat Madden	0118 931 4469
Fr. Rafaelle Cossa/Fr Luca Speziale	0118 969 3423
Cn. John O'Shea	0118 957 4171
Cn. Michael Dennehy	0118 957 2149
Fr. Peter Glas	0118 942 8632
Fr. Mathew Goddard / Fr. Patrick O'Donohue	0118 966 5284
Mgr. Patrick Daly	0118 947 1787

CUBS Mon. 6.45pm / **BEAVERS** Thurs. 5.45pm / **SCOUTS** Fri 8pm in **HALL**

Our Lady of Peace & BI Dominic Barberi

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Church office is open on Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 9am-5pm

5th Sunday of Easter	Year B p 139 (134)	29th April 2018
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Remaining in the Truth of Christ

We are Christians because we adhere to the Lord and we follow him. We know that there is no life in us outside of Christ because he is the true vine and we are its branches. In order to bear fruit we, his branches, are nourished by Christ Words, Body and Blood, and are pruned in due time by the Lord.

We are proud to confess that our identity, our joy of life, our hope and strength comes from our belonging to him and his teaching. We say: "Whoever keeps his commandments, lives in God and God lives in him." We do not hide the fact, as false humbleness and tolerance would demand, that while remaining in Christ we know the truth, the truth with the liberating and life bearing power. In humbleness and charity we announce to the world that the Lord is the greatest gift to humanity. He is the Way, the Truth and the Life. We proclaim that everything has its origin in Christ and his teaching, everything is shaped by it and directed towards it.

people intend to say nowadays, but they are in Christ the path to salvation, liberation and fulfillment of life. The Ten Commandments are engraved by God in the human heart. They are about the full meaning of life, and their morality is not only about avoiding sin, but also about living in accord with the teaching of Christ, who is Light and Life. In fact in Christ we see how much love "rejoices in the truth" and how much freedom is made of the law, out of Ten Commandments and Beatitudes.

"Our love is not to be just words or mere talk, but something real and active; only by this can we be certain that we are children of the truth." Proclaiming the Truth of God's Commandments is itself re-rooting us in the Source of life. Because of that, in its depth, it has nothing to do with any ideological separation of people from the healing closeness of the word and of the sacraments of Jesus.

Fr. Stan

In Christ there is no division and conflict between law and freedom, truth and love. Obeying God's Commandments cannot paralyse souls, as some

Psalm Response :
You, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly.

Date & Dedication	Time	Mass Intentions etc
Sun 29th Apr 5th Sunday of Easter	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Rosary Myles Jennings RIP Thanksgiving to St Joseph—d'Hendecourt family Baptism of Otis Bryce Thanksgiving Fr Jaya 4th anniversary
Mon 30th Apr	9.30am 10.00am	Rosary Brothers at BI Sacrament taking their vows
Tue 1st May St Joseph the Worker	9.00am 10.00am	Adoration followed by Rosary Ethnie Scot
Wed 2nd May St Athanasius	9.30am 10.00am 2.00pm	Rosary Miriam Henrietta Barton (Schroeder) RIP Adoration till 2.30pm
Thu 3rd May Ss Philip & James	No Mass	
Fri 4th May The English Martyrs	11.00am 7.30pm	Adoration till 7.00pm Liz Bailey RIP
Sat 5th May	No Mass	
Sun 6th May 6th Sunday of Easter	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Rosary Liz Bailey RIP Mary Brannelly RIP Thomas Newman RIP

Children's liturgy: Please register your child before Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

20 min before Sunday & Weekday Mass . On First Friday 6.00pm—7.15pm
or by private appointment with Fr. Stan

Census 2018

Please go to the Parish website www.lop.org.uk, click on the **Parish Database** button & fill in your details which are for parish use only and confidential.

Anniversaries

Please keep in your prayers

Marian Lewis (1985); Margaret Horslett (1990); Gerald Frost (1992); Vi Greenway (2003); Herbert Pegg (2003); Maria Jordan (2005); Shirley Preston (2011); Arthur Leonard (Len) Johncock (2012); Maureen Reichelt (2013). Frank McConnell (2017).

This Week

Sunday 29th April 2018 after 11am Mass—Youth Group. Calling all youth of our Parish aged 14-17yrs to join the Youth group at the Carl Barton Room after 11am Mass..

Sunday 29th April 2018 at 2pm

Our Parish is doing our own Rosary on the Coast by planning a walk by the River Thames in Sonning. The event will begin with a short service at church at 2pm, after which we will conduct the Rosary Walk from Thames Valley Park to Sonning and back.

Baptism Preparation Session: will be held on Tue. 1st May and Tue. 8th May at 8pm. If you wish to celebrate a baptism here for your child, please complete a baptism form (available on our website & in Advent Room) and return the completed form to the Parish Office.

Wednesday 2nd May : Sisters from St Elisabeth Convent, Belarus will be visiting us for 10am Mass and will be displaying and selling craft items.

Sunday 6th May

We welcome Father Frank Downs who will be celebrating all 3 Masses.

Next Week

7th, 8th & 9th May—There will be no weekday Mass

Friday 11th May at 8.00pm-9.30pm SPUC meeting at St William of York Church, "The Bishop recently stated in a pastoral letter that as people of life we should take steps to defend the unborn children and pregnant mothers. The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) will be speaking on this subject as part of their campaign against decriminalising abortion. All are welcome."

Other News

13th -19th May Christian Aid week (house-to-house collection) Joan Dils will contact last year's collectors shortly. We need more collectors to replace those growing older or leaving the parish. If you can help, please contact JOAN DILS by phone 0118 926 4729 or email joandils@waitrose.com

Saturday 2nd June & Sunday 3rd June

Day of formation for Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, followed by Faculties being renewed on Sunday 3rd June **Feast of Corpus Christi.**

1st & 2nd September : Bishop's visit to our Parish. More information to follow.

12 to 19 Sept Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

See posters for further details or call Nancy Challinor-Johnson on 07745 434888 or email nancy.johnson7@btinternet.com. Closing date 6th May 2018.

Resources

May edition of My day by day £1 per copy.

Shorter Morning Prayer £9 per copy.

Portsmouth People: Latest issue of the diocesan magazine is now available; take a copy

PASTORAL AREA

Blessed Hugh Faringdon Catholic School

"Good with outstanding features". Due to pupils moving out of the area, Blessed Hugh Faringdon Catholic School currently have spaces in Years 8 and Year 9. Please contact the school directly if you would like to register your interest via admissions@hughfaringdon.org or 0118 9574730

Vacancy: There are few Job vacancies in our Pastoral Area. Please have a look in the noticeboard on the side entrance to our church.

Saturday 5th May: Diocesan Eucharistic Conference. *Have you taken time out of your busy schedule to pause? When was the last time*