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Pastoral Events

Flame Catholic Youth Event: 2nd March 2019
 at the SSE Arena, Wembley 12 - 5.30pm.

For young people aged 14-21 years (YR10+)
 Tickets £20 pp. Free coach from Reading.
 Parents meeting in Feb. Please let the Parish or
 the Youth team know if you are interested..
 Closing date 30.09.18. More information
www.cymfed.org.uk/flame

Saturday 6th October 10am-4pm: The
 Church's Solution to the Sexual Revolution. A
 celebration of family life on the 50th Anniversary
 of Humanae Vitae. Please save the date..

Kerala floods: an appeal from SVP / Mary's Meal.

As you've probably seen in the media, terrible
 floods have been taking place in Kerala in
 southern India. Hundreds of people have been
 killed and many more are missing; countless
 homes have been washed away, and the
 monsoon season is set to continue until early
 September. Please contribute to the SVP's
 Kerala appeal. To donate visit www.svp.org.uk,
 telephone 020 7703 3030 or send cheques

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".

made out to SVP (write 'Kerala appeal' on the
 back) to SVP, Romero House, 55 Westminster
 Bridge Road, London SE1 7JB..

Or alternatively you can donate via Mary's meal
 via their website [https://](https://www.marysmeals.org.uk/fundraising/project/marys-meals-1/kerala-floods-emergency-appeal)

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I CAN ONLY IMAGINE (PG): The Christian film
 is now showing for a third week at Reading
 Showcase cinema: Daily at 11.15am.
www.icanonlyimagine.co.uk

Offertory Collection 12th Aug 2018

Envelopes	£ 91.00
Loose Cash	£ 511.27
Standing Orders	£ 716.08
Total	£ 1,318.35

Thank you all for your kind donations.

Offertory Collection 19th Aug 2018

Envelopes	£ 36.00
Loose Cash	£ 523.61
Standing Orders	£ 716.08
Total	£ 1,275.69

Thank you all for your kind donations.

Portsmouth Diocese e news:

Don't forget you can keep in touch with what's
 going on in and around the diocese via e-News:
[.http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/enews/.](http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/enews/)

Emergency numbers for a Priest –

Please call your own priest first

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

Fr. Pat Madden 0118 931 4469

Fr. Raffaele 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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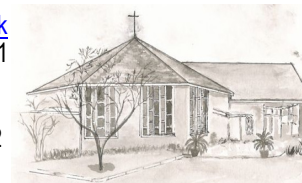
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The Church office is open on Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 9am-5pm

21st Sunday of Ordinary time

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25th August 2018

As for me and my House, we will serve the Lord (Joshua 24:15)

Many of the followers of the Lord, many of those who today would be called Catholics, after hearing His doctrine said openly, 'This is intolerable language. How could anyone accept it?'" (J 6:60) After their statement, they impenitently waited from Christ to give a satisfactory answer. They put themselves in position to understand better what was needed, than Christ would know. They in fact dictated their demands. They wanted Christ to be pastoral over doctrinal.

The Lord did not change anything as they were wrong and stubborn. Only then many of disciples left Him and stopped going with Him. Christ actually had indentified their expectations a while ago when He said: "you are looking for me, not because you saw the signs I performed but because you ate the loaves and had your fill. (J 6:26)

The story of stubbornness of the People of God has been well know. Because of that the Church, parishes communities, you and I, need to be called to be back to our roots, in the same way as Joshua called the elders of all the tribes of Israel: "Now fear the Lord and serve him with all faithfulness. Throw away the gods your ancestors worshiped (...) and serve the Lord. If you will not serve the Lord, choose today whom you wish to serve. (...) As for me and my House, we will serve the Lord." (Joshua 24:14-15).

I would like also call you today, if only you would hear Christ's voice "do not harden your hearts". Let us renew our faith and say together with Peter: Jesus Christ, You are the Lord, You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God. (J 6:69).

Fr Stan

Psalm Response:

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

20 min before Sunday & Weekday Mass . On Friday and Holy Day of Obligation
 6.00pm—7.15pm or by private appointment with Fr. Stan.

Date & Dedication	Time	Mass Intentions etc
Sun 26th Aug 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Michael Howard RIP rec. dec. Intention available Jasmine's Intention
Mon 27th August St Monica	10.00am	Thanksgiving for Azina
Tues 28th August St Augustine of Hippo	10.00am	Intention available
Wed 29th August The Passion of St John the Baptist	10.00am	Intention available
Thurs 30th Aug Ss Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line & Margaret Ward	No Mass	
Fri 31st Aug St Aidan & All Saints of Lindisfarne	7.30pm	Health of Julia Castro
Sat 1st Sept	No Mass	
Sun 2nd Sept 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00am 11.00am 3.45pm 5.00pm	Mary Burke RIP Foundation Mass Parishioners Intention Adoration & Benediction Parishioners Intention

No Children's liturgy during Summer Holiday.

Anniversaries
Please keep in your prayers

25th Aug: Marlene Quinlivan (2014).
26th Aug: Thomas Callaghan (1976), Timothy Sugme (1979), Paul Nunn (2001) and Mafalda Mastaglio (1985);
27th Aug: George Tinson (1988); and Mary Kelly (1989).
30th Aug: Albert Bone (1978).
1st Sept: Geoff Way (1994) and Mary Burke (2002);
2nd Sept Angela Hughes (2012);
We pray for the repose of the soul of Bruce Bentley who died peacefully last weekend. We keep Angela and the family in our prayers.

Parish News

Itinerary for Bishop's Visit:

8.30am Bishop arrives
9.00am: Holy Mass & Rite of welcome followed by meeting Parishioners for coffee in the Social Club
11.00 am : Holy Mass
12 noon The Bishop will meet Youth Group and Confirmation Candidates
1.00pm Shared Lunch in the Main Hall
3.45pm Adoration & Benediction
5.00pm Holy Mass followed by meeting Parishioners.
6.00pm Meeting with key representatives of the Parish (by appointment only)

Car Park on Sunday 2nd September:

9am Mass and 11am Mass will overrun and car park might be full. If Car Park is full then park on Aldbourne Avenue. Also please note that if you are parking on Aldbourne Avenue then, please park on one side of the road to allow smooth traffic flow.

International lunch for Bishop Philip's visit:

Thank you for all who attended the meeting. Anyone who could not make it to the meeting but would like to help please contact Mel. We are also looking for volunteers to help set up on Saturday 1st September. Please contact Mel on 0118 9967208 noronhamel@hotmail.com Thank you in advance for your support.

Newsletter: If you would like to receive the newsletter via email then please register in the Parish Database on our website. From October 2018, the newsletter will only be sent out to those who have registered their interest on the parish database online. Please contact the Parish office if you have any questions.

Property Update:

Advent Room: the redecoration for the room is almost complete. Thank you your patience.

First Holy Communion

If you have just started School year 3, will be at least 8 years old between 1st Sep 2018 and eligible to join our next First Holy Communion preparation programme. Parents—please email or write to Father Stan at the church office by Mon 25th Sep, with the child's name date of birth, date and place of baptism, and parents' names,

address, phone number and contact details. Further details about the programme will then be communicated.

Confirmation is offered for all young baptised Catholics who are in school Year 8 or above in September 2018. If interested, please drop the Confirmation Form, Consent Form and a copy of your child's baptism certificate to the Parish Office. Last date for registration is 15th September 2018.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is open to people who are discerning whether to join or come into full communion with the Catholic Church; new sessions start in September. To find out more, please see Fr. Stan after Mass, or Parish office.

Mission magazine. Red Box.The Autumn magazine has arrived. Please collect from the Stand in the Advent Room or from Jack Noronha. Thank you for your support to the missions.

Sunday 5 pm mass

A request for anyone with musical talent or singers for 5.00pm mass to contact office , Fr Stan or Stan Wilson no. 07450389640.

Mackerel sale: Thank you to everybody who gave last Sunday to the Poor Clare sisters in Cebu, Philippines to help with the renovation of their living quarters owing to termite infestation. £188.47 was gratefully received toward the overall project cost of circa £164,204.78. If moved to help or know more then please read Mo. Lina Elvina's request letter on the noticeboard in Advent room. Hope you enjoyed the tasty fresh mackerel!

Catholic Chaplaincy Reading

Fr Stan is looking for some Volunteers who would be willing to make soup and help him on Tuesday afternoons during the University academic time. Please contact Father Stan or church office if interested.

Resources

September edition of My Day by Day £1 per copy.
Shorter Morning Prayer £9 per copy.