

are asked to make a special effort to share in this Mass. (Monthly Mass 3rd Sunday of the month).

**Sat 24th Nov**

Child Protection Training – 10.00am – 12.30pm  
 Vulnerable Adult Training – 1.30pm – 4.00pm  
 Christ the King Church Hall, Northumberland  
 Delivered by Maureen Wiltshire –  
 Diocesan Safeguarding Trainer  
 maureenwiltshire@hotmail.co.uk  
 Organised by Angela Camilleri - Parish  
 Safeguarding Minister – Christ the King  
 a.camilleri@hotmail.co.uk  
 People who wish to attend will need to register  
 with Angela to book a place.

**Sun 25 Nov Youth Sunday with Bishop Philip** Do you have space in your car to help

with lifts to Portsmouth? We will be meeting at St William of York around 3pm and should return soon after 10pm. Please contact the office with offers of help. Many thanks!

**St John Bosco Parish Administrator Vacancy**

To provide a full confidential administrative and secretarial service to the Parish Priest and Woodley Parish, providing a sympathetic and efficient focal point for enquiries and administrative support. The parish office is a busy place and you will be running the office yourself but with a small team of volunteers and other parish staff in the church as colleagues. 25 to 30hrs pw, negotiable, but each weekday cover is required. Closing date for applications 19th Nov with interviews on 27th Nov. For more information please see the Diocesan website or tel: 0118 969 3423.

# Our Lady of Peace & BI Dominic Barberi

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The Church office is closed this week, usually open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays 11am-4pm

**32nd Sunday of Ordinary time Year B p86 11th November 2018**

## A Century of Remembrance: Christianity and Patriotism

Christians are those who belong to the vision of Christ. Their paradigm is Christ, the same yesterday, today and forever. They stand for their faith and will not permit themselves to be confused by whomever. For the sake of this faith, they are willing to die. Patriotism is an attitude of devoted love, support, and defence of a country; it is national loyalty. The word *patriot* comes from Latin word *pater (father)* which is rooted in ancient Greek word πατριά (*patriá*) meaning generation, ancestry, descent, tribe, family. Latin *patrius* is something pertaining to a father. A patriot, then, is a person who is willing to die for the sake of his country.

way, freedom, security and fraternity within our society is constituted. We need to appreciate and teach our youth and children that patriotism is a great and important virtue linked with the family.

We find a great love towards homeland in the attitudes of Jesus and Barabbas towards their country. Both of them lived in Israel occupied by the Romans. Both loved Israel, both cried over Jerusalem, both took great care of their people. Both names expressed their identities and missions of loving of and caring for others. Jesus' name means God is salvation/God saves and Barabbas' means "son of the father": the one who is attached to everything that belonged to his ancestors. However, Jesus proclaimed the priority of loving God and our neighbour, and stressed that we should *search first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all other things shall be added unto us* (Mt 6:33). Barabbas was a freedom fighter and as a patriot he was actively involved in uprisings against the occupants and killed them with anger for the sake of justice. As we belong to Christ, we love our country with filial piety, we defend it, we treasure and proclaim peace and fight for justice and yet we love everyone.

To understand the relationship between Christianity and Patriotism we need reflect on the fourth commandment "*Honour thy father and thy mother*" because the foundation of the honour owed to the country is rooted in the honour owed to parents. The source of human parenthood is divine fatherhood (Eph 3:14). Respect for our country, then, is a filial piety towards the land of our birth. It derives from gratitude towards those whose love and work enabled us to grow in stature, wisdom, and grace. Our neighbourhood is also our environment: it needs our care. While loving of our country, we reward peace and prosperity. Authority, stability, and a life of relationships within our family, is a model of the same within our country. In this

Fr Stan

**Collection 4th November 2018**

	Main	Special
Envelopes	£ 233.08	£ 34.23
Loose Cash	£ 605.01	£437.09
Standing Orders	£ 742.50	
Totals	£1,580.59	£471.32

Thank you all for your kind donations.  
**Special Collection:** Sunday 4th November: Bamenda

**Resources**

**November and Advent editions of My Day by Day** £1 per copy

**Shorter Morning Prayer** £9 per copy  
 Please leave money in the boxes next to the books in the Advent Room

**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".

**Youth Group Coordinator:** Jean-Sixte  
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**Emergency numbers for a Priest –**  
 Please call your own priest first

Christ the King, Whitley	Sat 6.30pm; Sun 10.00am	Fr. Pat Madden	0118 931 4469
St. John Bosco, Woodley	Sat 6.30pm; Sun 10.00am	Fr. Bill Wilson	0118 969 3423
St. James	Sat 6.00pm; Sun 11.00am	Cn. John O'Shea	0118 957 4171
English Martyrs, Tilehurst	Sat 6.30pm; Sun 9.30am, 11.30am, 5.00pm	Cn. Michael Dennehy	0118 957 2149
St. Joseph, Tilehurst	Sun 8.30am, 10.30am	Fr. Peter Glas	0118 942 8632
St. William of York	Sun 9.00am, 11.00am (in Latin) 6.00pm (Students' Mass)	Fr. Mathew Goddard / Fr. Patrick O'Donohue	0118 966 5284
Our Lady & St. Anne, Caversham	Sat 5.30pm; Sun 10.00am, 6.30pm	Mgr. Patrick Daly	0118 947 1787

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

**Psalm Response: My soul, give praise to the Lord.**

Date & Dedication	Time	Mass Intentions etc
Sun 11th Nov 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Remembrance Sunday	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am 2.30pm 5.00pm	Rosary Eileen & Eric Watson RIP (Foundation Mass) Michael John Shaw RIP Divine Mercy Holy Hour Cafagna Maria RIP
Mon 12th Nov St Josaphat	9.30am 10.00am	Rosary Joseph Turner's Intention
Tues 13th Nov	9.00am 10.00am	Rosary followed by Adoration Holy Souls in Purgatory
Wed 14th Nov Bl Hugh Cook Faringdon (Abbot), John Eynon & John Ruge	9.30am 10.00am	Rosary Winifred & Arthur Lees RIP (Foundation Mass)
Thur 15th Nov	No Mass	
Fri 16th Nov	9.00am 10.00am 11.00am	Rosary followed by Adoration Jane Moonley RIP Adoration till 8.00am Saturday
Sat 17th Nov St Edmund of Abingdon (Solemnity)	8.00am No Mass	Overnight Adoration finishes at 8.00am
Sun 18th Nov 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Rosary Liz Bailey RIP Patrick Mooney RIP Kathleen Pearl RIP (Foundation Mass)

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

20 minutes before Sunday & Weekday Masses. On Fridays and Holy Days of Obligation 6.00pm-7.15pm or by private appointment with Fr Stan

**11am Mass Children's liturgy: Please register your child before Mass..**

#### Anniversaries: Please keep in your prayers

**12th:** Catherine Ondore (2008); **14th:** Henry Wiggins (1980); Antonio Fiorentini (2014); **15th:** Catherine Purcell (1975); Winifred Lees (1998); **17th:** Edward McIlvenna (1974); Alexander O'Boyle (1990); Mary Kelliner (2003); Rudolf Horvath (2018); **18th:** Kathleen Pearl (1987); Sheila Scott (2001).

## Today

**Today** is Remembrance Sunday - our Scouts group will lead a Remembrance Parade at 11am Mass.

**Confirmation session today** After 11am Mass in the Carl Barton Room.

**2.30pm.** Divine Mercy Holy Hour. *Everyone welcome.*

**Sun 11th Nov at 3.00pm Blessing of the graves** at Henley Road Cemetery

**Last night's Quiz Night** was cancelled. Please see Jean-Sixte d'Hendecourt after the 11pm Mass for a refund, or call 0784 613506/email js.dendecourt@gmail.com.

## Parish News & Future Events

**Mon 12 Nov at 8pm A Celebration of the Word of God.** The Church will hand over the Word of God, The Bible, in a beautiful liturgy, creating communion which will be enjoyed in an Agape afterwards. (Organised by Neocatechumenal Way catechists.) All welcome!

**Fri 16th to Sun 18th Nov A Weekend Retreat** Anyone wishing to join us is very welcome. Please contact Stan Wilson on 07450 389640. (Also organised by Neocatechumenal Way catechists.)

**Tue 27th Nov at 7.30pm Journey of Faith (RCIA)** An Invitation to an informal enquiry evening with refreshments in the Dominic Barberi Room. *Come and see* Jn 1:39

- Are you thinking about joining the Catholic Family?

- Do you as an adult wish to receive your First Holy Communion or be Confirmed?

- Are you a "resting" Catholic, seeking to be more active?

- Do you want to know more about Jesus Christ and his message?

Come and find out more - there's no obligation.

**Mon 3rd Dec** You are invited to a prayer meeting in our church 7.45pm for 8pm prompt start until 9.30pm. It will include praise, thanksgiving, intercession, scripture reading and time to discuss.

**Baptism** If you wish to celebrate the baptism (of a child) here, please contact Father Stan.

**Christmas Resources** We have a plentiful supply of Christmas Resources on display in the Advent Room. However, it is disappearing fast! Please visit and make your purchases before it is sold out to avoid disappointment.

**Poem Competition** All Children and Youth are encouraged to enter the Christmas Poem competition. The topic could be anything relating to Christmas, such as the star or the stable. Entries need to be in by Sat 15th Dec - please send to church office, ideally by email.

## Pastoral Events

**Wed 14th Nov Breath of Life Interfaith Week Reception** at RISC Conference Hall, 35 -39 London St, RG1 4PS. From 7-9pm. The aim of this gathering is to explore with the different faith communities ways of praying, reflecting and meditating.

**Fri 16th Nov at 7.30pm Info Evening for the Pilgrimage to the Holy Land (Wed 15th-22nd May 2019) at St James Church.** In the Footsteps of Jesus, visiting the Holy Sites in Jerusalem, Nazareth, the Dead Sea & more. Cost: £1360pp. 50 places. Flights from Heathrow. Deposit £250pp. Led by Canons John O'Shea & Michael Dennehy. Applications to be in ASAP. Apply to St James, Reading. Email stjames@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

**Sun 18th Nov at 4.30pm** The Archbishop of Goa, Filipe Neri Ferrao, will celebrate Mass in St James Church, for the Goan community in Reading. All members of the Goan community